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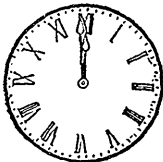
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"The love of Christ constraineth us."—2 Cor. v. 14.

AUGUST, 1896



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

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading: August—Moosonee, and Greenland. September—Qu'Appelle, Chinese in America.

The Bishop of Moosonee's Annual letter, written in a spirit of great thankfulness for many mercies received during the past year, especially regarding the long journeys made by himself and his family, will be found, at full length, in the August number of the *Church Mission News*. Funds are still needed for the Bishop's house, which he is most anxious to complete ere another spring ice-shove places his wife and little ones in such a perilous position as the last one did. The new house is to be higher land, safe from the freshets. Money is also needed for the extension of the Missionary work, etc., etc. Particulars will be found in the Bishop's letter.

Greenland, strange misnomer, for so small a part of it is cultivated, and of the northern part the few explorers who have ever attempted to penetrate this terrible waste, all give the same account—Travel eastward and nothing is seen but ice, north is ice, south is ice—the only exception is to be found in the fact that here and there the ice has taken in and surrounded, but not yet covered, bits of high land near the coast, which stands out black amid the surrounding icy whiteness. Seldom has a revolution of such importance been effected with so little opposition as the first introduction of Christianity into Greenland. In the autumn of 999, Leif, a son of Eric the Red, having made a voyage to Norway, attracted the notice of Olaf, king of that country. Olaf having in early life, while wandering about as an exile, become a believer in the Gospel, was after he ascended the throne, extremely zealous for the propagation of his new faith. For this purpose he made many journeys through his kingdom, and Leif was converted to Christianity, and on his return to Greenland the natives embraced the new faith to a large extent. In 1707 Hans Egede, a young Danish Missionary began work in Greenland, and his fame led the Moravians there. Active Missionary work is carried on by them amongst the Eskimos. Although so near America, scientists tell us that many indications point to the fact that Greenland was part of the European continent in earlier ages. The flora and fauna are essentially European, and so on.

Mrs. Burn writes from Bishop's Court, Indian Head.

"I am deeply touched by the kind sympathy sent me through you from the Woman's Auxiliary, one does appreciate sympathy and prayers in these hours of sorrow. Please convey to the Provincial W.A. my sincere appreciation of their kindness; one does like to hear how much the Bishop was loved by those he ministered to, though one knows it already. It is hard to realize that he has really passed away, yet it is only too true. I do not seem to have the slightest inclination to go back to the Old Country, my heart will always be up here, but I can still work for the Diocese, though perhaps may not be able to do very much. Though they have not been the most comfortable years of my life, they have certainly been the happiest that I have spent in the North West. I had often looked forward to going East with the Bishop, and getting to know all his, of whom he spoke with such affection, but it will never be now. My brother has come to take me home, and we expect to return about the end of August.

Miss Tilley, Provincial Secretary for Junior Branches, writes —
 "Kindly thank the Provincial W.A. for their loving thought of me in the time of my sorrow and loss. It has been such a strength to me to know my dear friends everywhere were praying for me, and God has answered their prayers, for there has been so much to thank him for in the midst of all the trial. My dear father has always prayed for a short illness, and that he had, and the end was like a child going to sleep. He was so ripe for the Kingdom and ready to go. Another cause of thankfulness was my arriving in time to speak to him. One does indeed long that each sorrow should bring us nearer to Him and fit us better for His service. It is really the only thing worth living for."

We would remind our members, of the meeting of the General Synod, to be held in Winnipeg the first week in September, and ask them to pray earnestly for those taking part in it. Important changes will probably be made in the Missionary organizations of the Church, and we trust some link may be formed between the North West W.A.'s. and ourselves to draw us closer together, and make us one loving whole.

Latest advices from the Rev. J. Waller. Nagano, Japan, are as follows:

An epidemic of camp fever, something closely akin to typhus, has broken out in several parts of Japan, and Miss Smith and her nurses are in great demand. Indeed they have been altogether too few and there has been some talk of organizing companies of women with a nurse at the head of each for work in the fever hospitals which are being run up in all directions. While one more calamity to the country, we are hoping it will prove a blessing in disguise, by increasing the influence and power of christianity and bringing many to a knowledge of the source of all true life. One of Miss Smith's Bible women, O'Kagaki San, was married to a young christian man on June 15th. He has been regarded as the prize of our flock and is one of the first four whom I baptized soon after my arrival in Nagano, three

years ago. You will have heard ere this of the tidal wave, another of the calamities which, whether fire, flood, famine, earthquake, disease or volcanic eruption, seem to follow each other here in very rapid succession. Of course such things arise from what are called "natural causes;" but these natural causes seem to be very potent instruments in God's hands to work His wrath upon this stiff-necked people.

Bishop Bickersteth, of Japan, writes highly recommending the Thankoffering of the last Tri-ennial being spent on the purchase of some land on which, ultimately, to build our W. A. Hospital at Nagano. Rev. J. Waller has made the necessary arrangements with the native christians, for no foreigner is allowed to buy land in his own name, and we trust soon to hear of the dispensary being in full working order. The usefulness of Miss Smith and her nurses is illustrated in Mr. Waller's letter above. Let us pray that this terrible fever may open the way to their showing many souls where to find the true Healer, who is so ready and loving in His dealing with all afflicted ones.

The Secretary of the Synod of the Diocese of Saskatchewan, sends the following to the Corresponding Secretary of the Provincial W. A. : At the last meeting of our Diocesan Synod, held at Prince Albert, on the 17th of June, a resolution was passed tendering the thanks of the Synod to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of England in Canada, for the valuable assistance rendered by the W. A. to the Church's work among the Indians in this Diocese, a copy of which resolution I now enclose. Resolution—On motion of the Ven. Archdeacon Mackay, seconded by Rev. J. F. D. Parker, it was resolved—"That the Synod of the Diocese of Saskatchewan, tender its warmest thanks to those Societies, Associations, Woman's Auxiliaries or individual friends in England and Canada who have, by their liberality, rendered valuable assistance to the Church's work among the Indians in this Diocese."

REV. J. MATHESON'S LETTER.—(Continued from July Number).

Travelling all day, next visiting from house to house doctoring and distributing clothes, or food, or quilts and talk. It was very late Tuesday night when I got to bed. The road is a narrow little Indian trail, but well beaten, and through heavy woods most of the way; after prayers next morning, start for home; glad to get home about dark all well and happy. No less than three messages from Moose Lake, 75 miles west, must start there early Thursday morning. Busy half day Thursday getting ready to leave and fixing up things in general, as I will be away 7 days this time. Sleep at Frog Lake station Thursday night, one woman very ill, visiting and prayer that night. Next morning, Friday, away 12 miles north to visit some families, prayers, reading and exhortation and travelling all day. Sleep in same place as night before, and leave for Moose early Saturday morning. Travelled hard all day, over 50 miles Sunday morning, in fact, all day Sunday, house to house visiting and speaking, reading, doctoring and prayers. Start back on Monday, visiting and speaking and services and baptism that day. Tuesday travelling all day and reach Frog Lake. Sick woman, very bad, more doctoring, and reading

and prayers, and reach home on Wednesday, My "curate" had kept everything in splendid shape, only a single annoyance with a drunken half-breed, to mar the happiness of the whole time. Well, I have one day to get ready for Good Friday, and I am only flesh and blood. I am tired, but happy, and a good bath and night's rest and I am ready again. Grand Services on Good Friday, and a whole Church full on Easter, some Indians from 75 miles away. Now, all the time I am doing this, the work of the mission here goes on just the same as if I were home. School 5 days a week, and cows to milk, and pigs to feed, sick children or people around all the time, hungry ones to feed, naked ones to clothe. We keep no servant, we can't afford it. There is a lot of scrubbing, and washing, and cooking, for we have quite an establishment. Our children range from four years of age to 15, and are large and healthy, and fine eaters. Our smallest boy has been adopted by Miss Atkinson, in Montreal, and one little girl by some one of the Branches. I always write to every Branch that sends us anything, and greatly enjoy doing it. I never make any appeal for help to any one. I just let the Lord move the hearts of his children, and send me what is necessary. He has always supplied me in the past without appealing for help, and I am satisfied that He will continue it as long I am doing His will and His work. When I have to appeal for help I'll quit the work. I am sure you would do the same if you were in my place, and had been led into the work, and so wonderfully supported in it from day to day as I have been. It was against the advice of nearly all, and almost against those in authority over me that I closed the day school, 2 miles from the Mission, and only a farce at that, in the teeth of the bitterest opposition from the Indian Agent and the R.C.'s who were determined only to have one school, and a Romanist one at that, on this Reserve my house only measuring 22 x 18 feet. Mrs. Matheson, with our first babe a few days over two months old, no bedding, only our own two or three pr. blankets. Our salary, 300 from the C.M.S., and \$300 from the Government for keeping a day school, and not two weeks provision ahead for ourselves to eat, in the dead of winter and not a rag to put on a child, without cutting up our own blankets or clothing, *we saw it was needed*, our work was at a *stand still* without. The young had to be taught or our time was wasted. We instantly began. I went to the Indian houses, and reasoned and pleaded with them, and managed to gather a few, nine I think, that they (the Indians), were willing to let come as an experiment till Christmas time (of these only two are with us now), then went and got some little R.C. half breed girls and filled the house, (these are with us to this day, and are now, with their mother, in full Communion with our Church. The W.A., God bless them, they were a tower of strength to us all the way through. Kind letters full of cheer and sympathy, or notice of some help on the way, just when we needed it most. They little knew I am sure, that they did more than half the work. They won the race for us, even if we did the running."

[Aug., 1896.]

Toronto Diocese.

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Summer work is doubtless being put in practice by our members. Those who travel will think of the many who never can have any change from the steady work in which they are engaged, and Thank-offerings for journeying mercies should always be remembered. Gifts for the bale to be sent from the Branches can be thought over, and often prepared, while in all cases, it will be well for Branches when called together in September to begin work, to see what materials can be given to them by friends, expending as little cash as possible upon the sewing, in order to be able to help with the Diocesan W.A. Pledges, and be able to aid with monetary gifts the many necessitous appeals brought so constantly before the LEAFLET readers. In every way compatible with the necessary outlay, our Branches should endeavor to economize funds in order to give more largely to the guaranteed obligations of the Diocesan Board. The Blackfoot Hospital nurse is really a necessity, and many other pressing claims await a helping hand. Diocesan, North-West, Algoma, and Foreign needs are placed before our readers in this August number and the W.A. will certainly lay these Missionary wants before our Lord, earnestly asking to be shown how, and in what way each member may give yet a little more—Prayer, time, influence, perseverance; these are means all may use to aid and encourage Missionaries.

It is with deep regret that we record the lamented death of Mrs. Frank Hodgins, a few days after her arrival in England. As the indefatigable Secretary of St. Simon's Branch of the W.A., her loss to the Auxiliary is very great, but to her husband and young children, how infinitely greater. Remembering she is now numbered with His Saints, in glory everlasting, we can only pray that those who knew and loved her bright and happy presence, may be consoled by Him who knew our grief and carried our sorrows, and who does not willingly afflict, or try the children of men.

It is also with sincere sorrow we chronicle the death, from typhoid fever, of Miss Annie Prince, who was the devoted and enthusiastic Secretary and Treasurer of the St. Cyprian's Girls' Auxiliary. Miss Prince was only ill three weeks, and during the first week she struggled against increasing sickness, doing not only her own daily work, but also that of her mother's household in the evenings, as her mother was ill in bed at the time. She was always a great favorite among her fellow-workers, who felt that much of the success which attended their efforts was due to her. Her peaceful and happy death was for her but the beginning of the joys of the life eternal.

The Secretary of the St. Cyprian's Senior Branch, Miss Merser, has gone to live in New York. She will be much missed in the Auxiliary and in the Church.

The 10th annual reports will not be delivered to the Branches until work begins again in September.

If any Branch has not yet received the forms to be used to notify the Corresponding Secretary in case of removal of members, will the Secretary or President kindly send a card to Mrs. Cummings.

Money is still coming in slowly towards the travelling expenses to John Nzipoo to Zululand. When the required amount is in hand he will be sent at once to the Bishop of Zululand as a missionary helper to work among his own people, thus forming the first missionary link between the vast field of Africa, and the Canadian Church.

Miss Tims writing from Winnipeg, says she finds that she will have to be in Winnipeg until nearly the end of July. Mrs. Cansell, wife of the Chief factor of the H. B. Co., at Fort Simpson is going about that time, and has offered to share her tent with Miss Tims, who will reach Hay River just as soon in the end. Miss Marsh is looking forward to the arrival of her W.A. helper with great pleasure. Miss Tims asks for the earnest prayers of her friends throughout the W.A. that she may be strengthened to do good work for the Master.

The annual reports of both Niagara and Montreal Auxiliaries have been received, they are well got up, and the work reported shows progress in every department.

The Dorcas rooms are closed, and the Secretary living out of Town, therefore, readers of Mrs. Bourne's letter in this LEAFLET who wish to aid these cases, can send donations to Mrs. Williamson, 83 Wellesley St., who will have them packed and sent off as quickly as possible, this being a case where prompt action is necessary. Money may be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer, 561 Jarvis St.

From Mrs. Bourne, Essonville, to Diocesan President, July 18th :—

"You will be glad to hear that there are no fresh cases of diphtheria. One family has been deeply afflicted, four children have died, and a fifth, a dear boy of five years, is dying. The parents are most estimable good people, and are bearing their loss, not in their own

strength. The poor mother said, 'What ever should I do, were it not for the everlasting arms holding and strengthening me.' The father is equally submissive to this mysterious dispensation of God's will. The family are, of course, still in quarantine. The mother with her wee-baby in her arms, born just a few days before the first child died, told me the pathetic story of the illness of her girls, Martha and Mary, dear girls of fifteen and sixteen, and Maggie and Charlie, aged eight and four years. They all belonged to my Sunday School; the elder girls were most regular and faithful attendants at Church and communicants; they died with such resignation and firm dependence upon the Saviour's love. The poor parents are in most distressing circumstances. The Township Council has been providing for them since the doctor put them in quarantine, but he says it will be necessary to burn most of their clothing and bedding, therefore, through the widely read LEAFLET, I ask for immediate relief for their most pressing wants. The father has had a hard, a very hard struggle to maintain his family; indeed, the doctor told me it was impossible for the poor children to recover, owing to the fact that they had been so poorly nourished during the past winter. The father and mother, a girl of thirteen, two boys of eleven and twelve, and the infant are in need of clothing of every kind, these with bedding and some provisions would be most acceptable. The neighbors have been most kind, but are poor as themselves. However, a subscription is being got up, to buy lumber, and some has been given from the mill, to build a small dwelling, the one they are in has to be burnt down. I shall be so glad to receive for them, a black dress and underclothing for the mother, clothes for the man and two boys, dress and hat for the girl, and some things for the infant. Tea, rice, soap, sugar, etc., all would be invaluable just to keep them going, until the father can earn something, and get his house built. This is one especially afflicted family, but the settlements have many distressing cases. We do so want help for our Sunday Schools—S. S. papers, reward cards, and library books, with three small register books, I would be so grateful for. Our S. S. library is really a mission library, the books being lent to all members of the congregations in the eight stations. A stock of common medicines would be invaluable to us. We could often then give relief to our people in sickness. They constantly apply to us as the doctor lives fourteen miles from Essonville, and except in cases of dire necessity could not be sent for. The services recently held throughout Cardiff and Monmouth by Mr. Davidson, of Peterborough, and Mr. Hartley, of Young's Point, have been largely attended. The results are most encouraging. The people seem drawn more closely in love to their church. Pray that it may not in any case prove a transitory enthusiasm, but that real lasting benefit may result from the visits made and services held.

From the Bishop of Algoma :—

I wish to let the W.A. know of the very serious straits in which we are placed, and out of which, I am sure, some of the Branches, Diocesan and Parochial, of the W.A., will be glad to help me. On July 1st, I will be confronted with a debt of \$6,000. I hope to state some of the reasons for the severe financial emergency shortly, in an appeal to the church through the papers. This is, of course, the worst season of the year for active effort. I simply wish to make known the fact, knowing, from experience, that the W.A. will give Algoma, as of old, a place in their prayers and sympathies. [The appeal spoken of is in the Church papers of the third week in July. Pray that aid may come to our Missionary Diocese of Algoma. Ed.]

From Rev. W. G. White of Athabasca.

"As you probably know, Mr. and Mrs. Holmes intend, all being well, leaving Lesser Slave Lake for England, about the middle of July, I am to take charge of St. Peter's Mission during their absence, and a younger brother of mine who has been helping Mr. Weaver, at Wabuskow, is to take my place at St. Andrew's Mission. Fully realizing the importance, the responsibility, and the difficulties of the work before me, I cast all these cares upon Him, knowing that he is ever ready to help those that trust in Him, therefore in His strength I trust to take up the work of St. Peter's Mission. The Children's Home is one of the most encouraging as well as one of the most important branches of the work. At Lesser Slave Lake there were thirty children last winter, and I hope and trust that God in His great goodness will give us the same number to train for His service. You know what the expenses of a Home of this size are; and I notice, that so far, only three bales have come for the Home. If we do not receive about the same assistance as last year, we shall not find it possible to take in the same number of children." [Lesser Slave Lake Mission is worthy of all help that can possibly be given. Margaret Durtnell, as Matron, has done excellent work.—Ed.]

The following is the substance of some letters recently received from the Rev. C. R. Weaver, Wabasca, Diocese of Athabasca.

"It was the wish of the Bishop," he says, "that I should start a 'Home' for Indian children as quickly as possible, at this new Mission, which is indeed in the real backwoods of Canada. Of course the first requisite was a house. The salary allowed me is \$750 per annum, but out of that \$250 per year is deducted, until the house is paid for, so I only receive \$500; out of this I have had to provide a team of dogs, harness, and sleigh, a horse and two cows, very heavy freight on bales, and a large number of necessary things for the house, besides food for the children and ourselves. . . . The quilts, bedding, and clothes for the children, sent by kind friends in Eastern Canada have been a very great help, but in money, I have only received from the Canadian Church, \$45."

Our bill of fare is simple in the extreme, it has been fish and bread with dried apples, or a pudding without sugar occasionally, for two meals, and porridge and bread for breakfast. My wife has got completely tired of the fish, and so has only dry bread. Lately we have had a little milk and a very small quantity of butter. We are surrounded by miles of floods at present; when these go down, we shall get our 'outfit' for the year in, and so shall have a little more change of diet than we have now. If I could get some young cattle, pigs and poultry, we could soon have more variety in our food, and living would be much cheaper. If I had the animals, I could grow the food for them, but stock of all kinds is very expensive up here. I intend to struggle along as best I can, as it is my Lord's work, and I know He will help me, but it would be a very great blessing, if the Canadian Church would assist me to get some live stock, a waggon—as we have nothing to draw anything on at Wabasca—a box stove for next winter (we were nearly frozen last), and a bell to call the people to service. I am also extremely anxious to get some lady to come out to help my wife, she has been quite ill lately, and I feel sure it is through overwork. She has no help at all but what the Indian children can give, and we have nine little ones with us now, one a baby of four months old, which had been abandoned by its mother (its father was dead), and one only two years old. Of course these two require a great deal of attention in addition to the care the others get, and it seems impossible for one person to do all the absolutely needful work."

Will not some Christian woman volunteer to go to this most needy Mission, if possible this summer? The work will be hard, the hardships will be many, but will not the joy also be great, when the words are spoken, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord?"

It is with deep regret that we learn of the sad and comparatively sudden death of Mrs. Robinson, at Peace River. She leaves an infant and three small children. Mr. Robinson took the place of Mr. Brick, and has been doing much good work. He asks the prayers of the W.A. that he may bear this affliction with resignation to God's will.

MISSION WORK IN MATSUMOTO, JAPAN.

Sent to LEAFLET by Rev. J. W. Kennedy.

As there are now two centres of work in the Province of Shinano, Nagano and Matsumoto, and as a good deal has been written about Nagano, perhaps the supporters of our work would be pleased to hear something about the new centre, Matsumoto. Matsumoto is a fair sized town, completely surrounded by mountains, about 1,800 feet above the level of the sea, and has a population of nearly 30,000 people. It is the second largest town in the province, and will, in time, I think, become a very important place. A railway is being built between it and Nagano, and will be completed in two or three years.

Also, in ten years' time, it will have direct connection with Tokyo, as a main line is to be constructed through Shinano from the capital of Nagoyo. To give an idea of the great work that the Canadian church has undertaken, and the number of people that must be reached from this one centre, I give a few statistics taken from the census of 1894. In the central and southern portions of the province, there are six places of importance with population as follows — Matsumoto, 28,582, Iida, 13,254 Kami no Suwa, 9,672; Shimo no Suwa, 5,979, Omachi, 4,865, Fukushima, 4,570. The eastern district with Matsumoto as its chief town, has a population of about 144,242. The western district, 41,359. The Suwa district, 81,921. Making a total of 267,522. The church here has one missionary, one native deacon, one catechist, one Bible woman, who are endeavoring to sow the seed faithfully. Besides Matsumoto there are three other places visited regularly, viz., Suwa, Shiojiri and Kawate. In these places there are enquirers after the truth, whom we hope will soon confess themselves on the side of Christ. Mission work here without Bible women is an entire failure. On coming to Matsumoto, last September, (1895) I made application to all the Church Training Homes in Japan for women workers, but the answer I received in every case was "we have not a sufficient number for our own needs. During the month of May, Miss Paterson came over from Nagano to visit us, bringing her teacher with her. She very kindly from that time allowed her to work as our Bible woman, and what was the result? She was able to accomplish in a week, what Mr. Kakuzan and I had tried to do during eight months. When she came there was no Sunday School, now we have twenty-three scholars, and that number will soon be doubled. She has been able to gain a wonderful influence over the wives and daughters of the men we have been visiting, and instead of gaining just a father or son of a house, we now hope to win the household. It is this which made me at once determine, if possible, to organize a "Training Home for Bible Women," which would be able to supply the Canadian work with women workers.

DORCAS NOTES.

TORONTO—St. Stephen's, *Rev. J. Lucas, Chipewayan, Athabasca*, 3 bales; Church of Ascension, *Emmanuel College, Prince Albert*, bale; also Chancel carpet and Altar cloth for *Bishop Young's Church, Athabasca Landing*; St. James' Cath., *Rev. J. H. Worden, Innisfil, Calgary*, 2 bales; and to *Rev. A. T. Norquay, Frenchman's Head*, 2 bales; St. Matthews, *Rev. E. Cook, Cumberland*, bale; St. Paul's (Juniors), *Mr. Hay, Magnettevan*, parcel. KING—Summer outfit, *Clara McNab, Gordon School*. FULTON—*Shingwauk Home*; MILLBROOK—*Blackfoot Home, Caven*, parcel to the same place. COLLINGWOOD—*Rev. J. Sinclair, Chemewayin*. COBOURG—*Shingwauk Home*. WHITBY—St.

John's, Mr. Marsh, Hay River. ORILLIA—Rev. F. Swainson, 2 bales, and to Mr. Mills, Blood Reserve, 1 bale; Mission workers, Rev. F. Swainson, 1 bale.

Rev. J. H. Worden, writes thanking the Toronto W.A. for the gift of a Communion Service, which he very much needed. He has eight stations, and this one will have to be carried from place to place. He speaks very gratefully of the beautiful bale received from the St. James' Cathedral Branch also, containing so many useful articles. The Communion Set Mr. Tims took up with him, he has given to the Mission on the Blood Reserve, under Rev. Edward Hocksley, who writes from Red Crow village "My work is to visit the Indians from teepee to teepee, and I hold services in their own language whenever possible. I have only been here one year, but am hopeful and ambitious for the future. The Indians, though apparently indifferent to the gospel, are most interesting.

Extract from Mrs. Young's letter.

"DEAR MRS. BANKS,—The bell has arrived, and does please us so much. The man who is building the Church, says it is just in time to place right. Is it not nice, and all so satisfactory? Please thank our kind friends who contributed towards it, tell them how heartily Bishop Young and I desire to express thanks. We hope to have the Church opened July 23rd, or about then. Bishop and M. s. Reeve, and dear Mr. and Mrs. Holmes may be here. Will it not be interesting. We have had several of our Missionaries in, and such busy happy days "

I hope the carpet for the Chancel and the cloth may arrive in time for the opening of the Church. Miss Harris, of the Church of Ascension, sent them off as soon as Mrs. Young sent the measurements, at the same time saying when the Church was likely to be opened, they also sent a number of Bibles, Prayer Books, and Hymn Books. There are three Missions in this Diocese without Communion vessels, viz , Athabasca Landing, Wabuskaw, and White Fish Lake.

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

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.—From June 20th, to July 20th.

RECEIPTS	
P. M. Collections.	
<i>Total amount received from each Branch</i>	
Ashburnham	6 7
Batteau	2 50
Brighton	2 10
Campbellford	5 10
Chester	1 00
Collingwood	37 50
Cobourg	7 40
Millbrook	6 45
Norwood	6 50
Orillia	22 50
Penetanguishene	6 77
Port Hope, St. John's	31 00
Stayner	7 15
Uxbridge	3 50
Toronto—	
All Saints'	24 76
St. John's	16 75
St. Luke's	9 50
St. Margaret's	8 05
St. Mark's Parkdale	17 50
St. Paul's	24 90
Church Redeemer	19 20
St. Simon's	55 23
Trinity Church	11 40
	<u>\$331 19</u>

TREASURER'S STATEMENT—Continued.

W.A. Collections.		Moose Lake, Sask.	
<i>Diocesan Mission Fund.</i>		"A King's Daughter"	5 00
All Saints, Toronto.....	6 05		\$146 19
St. Hilda's, Fairbank Miss.—		EXPENDITURE	
St. Anne's, Mrs. Harrison	2 00	Mrs. Keffler, programmes.....	\$ 3 00
W. & O. F'd, Mrs. Osler, Tor.	1 00	Junior Hymns	2 00
Algoma.		Rev. C. Weaver, for extra freight	7 60
All Saints', Toronto.....	75	Bishop Mackenzie River, C.C.M.A.	23 00
Temiscamieque.		St. Hilda's Mission, Fairbank.....	2 00
Toronto—		Rupert's Land, Indian Hospital...	10 00
St. Simon's.....	30	Emergency Fund—	
Trinity Church	2 55	Towards luncheon June 24th.	25 00
All Saints'	2 55	For Cards.....	2 65
Rupert's Land.		Half ream toolscap and envelopes	1 55
<i>Indian Hospital—St. Luke's...</i>	10 00	300 Certificates, "Subject of vote"	6 00
Blackfoot Home		" " "That the question"	5 25
Southward, Peterboro	5 00	500 lists of Library Books.....	2 00
Toronto—		500 Reports of Senior Branches }	
St. Simon's	2 03	500 Treasurer's Reports.....	7 16
Trinity Church	2 40	500 Junior Reports	
All Saints'	25	500 Labels for Mission Boxes.....	1 50
York Mills	6 00	500 Receipts in duplicate	2 00
Matron's Salary		1 000 copies of Annual Report ...	140 42
Toronto—Trinity Church	20	To D. Kemp—	
All Saints'	9 10	Undesignated P.M.C.....	132 80
Gift Archdeacon Tims.		Diocesan	373 95
Collingwood	5 00	" Rev. R. H. McGinnis	10 10
Piegan Reserve, Church.		Algoma, P.M.C.....	66 78
Cobourg Juniors.....	4 00	" W.A.C.....	10 75
Collected by Miss W.....	4 50	Diocesan W. & O. Fund	6 25
A Member	2 00	Sault St Marie, Ch. Bdg. Fund	3 00
Wabistaw.		North west. P.M.C.	21 05
Rev. J. C. Weaver.		Foreign, P.M.C.....	9 15
St. Peter's, Toronto for extra		C.C.M.A.—	
freight on box.....	7 60	Mackenzie River, P.M.C.....	6 40
Mackenzie River.		" Rev. J. O. Stringer	
<i>Education Fund.</i>		P.M.C.	11 80
St. Margaret's Juniors ...	15 00	Rupert's Land, P.M.C.	8 00
General Fund R.M.	1 00	China, P.M.C.....	10 65
A Thankoffering.		Japan P.M.C.....	19 60
Miss Symonds	3 60	" Rev. H. Hamilton P.M.C.	50
Africa.		China, Rev. J. R. S. Boyd's	
John Nzybo.—E.L.....	5 00	School	13 50
China		Dean Grisdale, Mackenzie River	
Rev. J. R. S. Boyd's School.		P.M.C.....	5 15
St. Paul's Juniors	13 50	Mackenzie River, Education Fund	15 00
Rent Central Room.		Shingwauk Home, organ	5 00
Toronto—Trinity Church.....	20	Rev. T. A. Teitelbaum, Qu'Appelle	7 85
" All Saints'	1 00	Calgary Indian Schools	18 22
Moosonee—R.M.	1 00	Blackfoot Home	25 61
Education Fund.		Gifts, Archdeacon Tims.....	12 32
Toronto—		Piegan Reserve, Church.....	10 50
Sale of Doll, Mrs. Osler.....	4 00	China, Stewart Band	1 95
St. Simon's	55	Armenian Relief Fund.....	2 00
Trinity Church	1 40		
St. Luke's Mrs Williams.....	4 61		
All Saints'	1 70		
Interest Dominion Bank Account	17 40		

\$1,049 61

[Aug., 1896.]

Huron Diocese.

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

The Secretary for Huron of the Church of England Zenana Mission Society, wishes to call the attention of our Branches to the following announcement,—“Misses Leslie and Codrington of the C. E. Z. M. S. will be in Canada, *en route* for China, about the 15th of November, and will remain here a month; during which time they desire to visit some of the W. A. Branches in the interest of Zenana Missions. Any Branch which wishes to invite these devoted Missionaries to visit it is requested to communicate at once with Mrs. Falls.” Miss Codrington, our readers will remember, is one of the survivors of the frightful massacre at Ku Cheng; having, by God's blessing, recovered her health and strength, she is returning to her life-work, constrained by the love of Christ. Almost simultaneously with the announcement of Miss Leslie's visit to Canada, Mrs. Falls received a letter from Miss Garnett, formerly of London, now working with the Rev. J. S. Boyd, which answers every question our Branches could possibly wish to ask concerning the work for which this deputation from the C. E. Z. M. S. will plead. Writing from Foo-Chow Miss Garnett says:—

“We are still in Foo-Chow; it is thought better that we should not go to Ku-Cheng until September, when we will have some knowledge of the language. The country seems to be all quiet now, and the Missionaries are hard at work again. We hear the most wonderful accounts from all sides; they say that never before have they heard of such numbers asking to be taught. Archdeacon Wolfe, who has lately returned from a trip through his district, tells me he has never seen anything like it, and he has been here over thirty years; he says the churches are overflowing and people are sending to ask for teachers; he says *the movement is clearly in answer to the prayers that have been offered up to God all over the Christian world, since that awful massacre brought the Fuh-hien Mission into notice.* Now, all here are joining in prayer for more workers, native as well as foreigners; it is so important to send them out now when the poor people are eagerly asking for them. We have prayer meetings every Wednesday afternoon; the first Wednesday of the month is a union prayer-meeting; at our last one we heard just the same accounts from the other Missionaries that we are constantly having from our own, of the crowds coming to be taught, our last was more like a thanksgiving service, and also such an outpouring of prayer for more teachers; it makes us long to be able to speak. We are working very hard for five hours a day, then go out for a walk and get a little help from the natives we meet; they are most good natured and patient in teaching

us whatever we want to know. Foo-Chow has about two million population—five hundred thousand within the walls which are thirty feet high and wide enough for three horsemen to ride abreast. We went lately to see the hill on which Archdeacon Wolfe and Mr. Stewart used to live, and where are the ruins of the College and their house, which the natives burned over their heads. Our Mission houses are all outside the city wall—they are walled round and the tops of the walls covered with broken glass; this is for protection from thieves. We have in Foo-Chow two schools for girls, one for christian girls, with between sixty and seventy pupils, and another for heathen girls, with about sixty. These girls all look so bright and happy, they are taught by some of our ladies who are intensely interested in them, and are doing a grand work. The hospital is to be in charge of two of our missionaries, they have a splendid field for work there. We also have a College for boys and young men, well attended."

In connection with what Miss Garnett writes about schools, the following facts, kindly communicated by the President of old St. Paul's, Woodstock, Branch, is gladly inserted. "In answer to a letter from this Branch to Mrs. Stewart, asking how we best could help her work, she wrote and asked us to *support a school*, stating that this would be a yet more effectual help than the Bible women we were then supporting." This we are doing, the sum required yearly is only \$15, but long before our contribution could be forwarded, Louisa Stewart had been enrolled in the "noble army of martyrs." Miss Garnett's letter says to every woman of the Auxiliary, "go forward in faith, doing what she can laying to heart this gracious answer to the prayers of the militant church." Perhaps some of our Huron W.A. Branches are conscious that they are too wholly engrossed with Domestic Missions, and assuredly our great North-West claims our prayers and our help, but the command is "to the uttermost part of the earth," and here is a great door opened to us. May some other of our Branches be moved to undertake the support of a school, either independently or conjointly with others, which feel they could help, though they could not do it alone. And every member of the W.A. can join in spirit in those Wednesday afternoon prayer meetings of which Miss Garnett tells us

The following wise suggestion from one of our Branch Presidents is a little late for adoption this summer, but we will do well to keep it in mind for future holidays which God may give us. "In the last LEAFLET, some-one suggests our members doing some work, such as knitting, etc. for missions, during their holidays. I would like to suggest that those who have not used the library should get one of the books and read it: this is to my mind, the best way of interesting others, particularly if one can remember well what one reads, and can tell others about it."

The Diocesan Corresponding Secretary forwards an appeal from the Rev. T. A. Teitelbaum, Saltcoats, Dio. Qu'Appelle. ---

"Dear Madam The Saltcoats cottage hospital is now under construction, and will be finished by the end of August; we are badly in need of sheets, pillow cases, blankets, towels, etc. May I ask you to bring our wants before the members of the W.A. in your Diocese? We shall greatly appreciate any assistance you may render us in this matter." Faithful readers of the LEAFLET will recollect how earnestly the Rev. T. Teitelbaum worked to collect funds to erect this hospital for the use of settlers, working on farms and ranches, who in many cases having no homes, suffer severely when attacked by sickness, being too often destitute of the simplest remedies and comforts. Hospital work of any kind always appeals to women, and in this case, especially so, for, as one of our members remarked on being shown the appeal, "many of these men are our own sons and brothers." It should not be difficult to give some help in this matter, cotton for sheets and pillow slips can be had very cheaply just now, and doubtless some of us can give something from our own household store. Pretty and cosy quilts can be made of a couple of layers of cotton batting, covered with cheese-cloth, and tied with red or blue wool. Two, three or more members clubbing together could supply these, or a good blanket, at very little cost to each. It would not be a bad plan for every Branch to have on hand a little store of hospital supplies, sheets, quilts, blankets, towels, nightshirts, nightdresses, (second-hand ones are often as useful as new ones), bundles of old linen, and cotton for bandages, then when appeals such as Mr. Teitelbaum's comes to our W. A., it would suffice for the Dorcas Secretary to appeal to the Branches in turns, and the wants of those sick and suffering far from home, would be lovingly and promptly supplied. Only, we would ask our missionaries, when stating their needs to be a little more definite in regard to the number and size of the beds than Mr. Teitelbaum is. But what about the freight? ask many of our members, belonging to Branches to which that ever recurring question of freight is an ever recurring anxiety. Here is a plan suggested by one of these. "Could not the Branches in the Deaneries co-operate? take for instance our own Deanery of Brant, where we have now five Branches. Articles contributed by members could be easily collected without expense, and one of the City Branches would willingly pack and forward them, each Branch contributing to the freight, which would not amount to very much." Dear members of the W.A., think how much we could do by such co-operation, and let us try to do something.

From the far Diocese of Caledonia comes tidings from a former student of Huron College, the Rev. B. Appleyard:

"I think you will be interested in my parish in this strange corner of the world. Port Essington, my home station, is comparatively

small, but is the chief town of this country. The inhabitants are Indians, Chinese, Japanese, and white men, representatives of nearly all the European nations. My work is chiefly among the latter, though I also do a good deal among the Indians, who are quite a different race from those of the Eastern Provinces; they are said to be of the same race as the Japanese, and in fact look very much like them. They adapt themselves to civilization with great readiness, and are anxious to acquire all the knowledge they can. Many of them are earnest christians and it is a great pleasure to talk with them, they are great talkers, and often assemble in Council to talk about the Bible. I have been trying to procure help for my work from England, but I trust that in Huron the members of the W. A. and others may feel interested in it also, and do what they can to help. I am trying to start a reading room, for which I would be very thankful for those books and papers that are so often thrown away when the owners no longer need them. I can do a great deal with interesting literature, as the men are great readers, and I find my way into their lives by this means. My boat, which is the property of the Mission, is very unsafe, and I must have a new one for next winter's work, and need \$100 for this purpose. I am stretching my own purse-strings to the very utmost for these two objects, but cannot by any means reach it, for living is very expensive here, the country affords only fish and game, and I have to bring all our household supplies from a distance at considerable expense."

In response to this appeal \$17 has already been subscribed toward the new boat by friends in London, and those Branches and Parishes which have so generously responded to Mrs. Boomer's plea on behalf of Huron College, will be glad to hear of more good work being done by those who have gone forth from its walls.

In this connection, Mrs. Boomer writes:—

"The first year's \$500, has, I am thankful to state, been fully raised; I trust that, by God's help and blessing, those who have so kindly helped will continue to do so till the three years are accomplished."

The three little missionary daughters of the Huron W. A., have gone home for their holidays. They were kindly received in Toronto by Mrs. Newman and Mrs. Ashton Fletcher.

The Secretary, Literature Committee, Mrs. Smith, writes that she has a new tract entitled "How an Auxiliary built a School-room," by a member of the Huron W. A., which she can furnish at 8 cents per dozen. This tract, which is prettily written, is a welcome addition to our Missionary Literature, for it has been a matter of regret that, having so few tracts of our own, we have had to borrow from our Presbyterian sisters, and while we fully recognize how admirable and how popular these tracts are, it is nevertheless very much to be desired that tracts for distribution by our Huron Auxiliary should

be on church lines, as Mrs. Smith says, "if it convinces only one parish that mission work does not interfere with home work, but on the contrary, brings a blessing, it will not have been written in vain."

The Diocesan Treasurer writes:—"Would it not be well to remind the Branches about the Literature Fund? Only \$2.75 has come in since the Annual Meeting, but more is required for the work."

Our members will remember that it was decided at the Annual that our Member's Cards should continue to be given gratis, but that in order to make provision for the Literature Fund, which formerly was maintained by the 10 cents paid for each of these cards, the Branches should contribute from 25 to 50 cents yearly to the Literature Fund. In one Branch recently this contribution was raised easily by asking every member for one cent.

BRANCH NOTICES.

Report of Dorcas Secretary from May 15th to July 15th.

Bales sent—White Fish Lake—Galt, 1; S.M.B. St. James', London, 1. Sweet Grass Reserve—Old St. Paul's, Woodstock, 1. Emmanuel College—Daughters of the King, New St. Paul's Woodstock, 1. Hole River—Delaware, 1. Rev. C. Weaver—Walkerton, 1. Shegunandah—St. John's, London, Juveniles, 1. Wabigoon—Grace Church, Brantford, 1. Gordon Schools—Holy Trinity, Chatham, 1. St. John's, London, 2. Rosseau—St. James, London, 2. Uffington—Sarnia, 1. Lesser Slave Lake—Walkerville, 1. Blood Reserve—Windsor, 1; Old St Paul's, Woodstock, 1. Cedar Lake—Christ Church, Chatham, 1, Forest, 1. Shingwauk Home—Walkerton, 1.

Bales promised—To Brancepeth, 1; Blood Reserve, 3; Hole River, 1, Scanterbury, 1, Washakada Home, 1, from St. James', London South, 1.

BRUSSELS.—The President writes, "Mrs. Boomer was with us on June 23rd. There were about 60 out, and all enjoyed it most thoroughly. The address was on Mission work, its claims on us as a duty and privilege, its rewards in the benefits to others, and the effects on ourselves, and touchingly told anecdotes of the heroic lives of our Missionaries which made a deep impression on many. It is such a benefit to a W.A. Branch to get a rousing from some one outside its own immediate circle. We have a Juvenile Branch here of girls and boys. The meetings are short, from 30 to 40 minutes, our Secretary, Miss O'Connor, manages the musical part of the programme, and I read or give the children a Missionary talk. We have a black-board and intend to set about gleaming missionary information systematically. A few weeks ago we had a debate—"Home Missions versus Foreign Missions." The boys deserve special credit for their preparation, and I was truly astonished at the amount of information they had gathered, and at their acquaintance with the LEAFLET. We should be glad to receive suggestions for topics for other Missionary

debates. I think that suggestion in the last LEAFLET concerning putting up fruit a splendid one, and hope to hear of some action being taken in the matter. I have some promises already. Would not dried apples be good? they carry so well.

CHATHAM (Holy Trinity).—Have just sent two outfits for girls and many miscellaneous articles to Rev. Owen Owens, Gordon Schools. Value of bale, about \$30.

LONDON (St. John's the Evangelist) — In order to commence a regular "Freight Fund," Mrs. Hill gave an At Home at the rectory, and although the rain fell in torrents, our members and their friends were present to enjoy the good things provided by our kind President for our entertainment, consisting of music, recitations, tea and cake, for the modest sum of 10 cents. This year all the material required was most generously donated by members of the congregation, at the request of the rector, thus leaving the fees intact to meet our pledges, which amounted to \$17. We sent two bales to Rev. O. Owens, Gordon Schools; they contained clothing for boys and girls, and 12 lovely quilts. We heard that they were greatly in need of sheets and pillow slips, but not having time to make any, we sent a web of cotton. We have 32 members, average attendance 12.

SOUTHAMPTON.—During her most enjoyable visit to that queen of summer resorts, Southampton, Mrs. Boomer twice addressed the W. A., on the hardships and encouragements of the northern missionaries' lives. Her addresses proved most enjoyable to all present. The willing workers of St. Paul's Church, volunteered to form themselves in a Junior Branch of the W. A. A hearty welcome and God speed to this new Junior Branch.

WALKERTON.—We have sent two bales to the Rev. C. Weaver, Diocese of Athabasca, containing 30 new, 32 second-hand articles. Value of bale and freight \$23.59. We also sent a bale of good second-hand clothing to Shingwauk Home, and received a letter of thanks from Mr. King; he said the boys' boots and clothing were particularly acceptable. We have had our long promised visit from Mrs. Boomer, and a good meeting at the rectory, all who heard her address were delighted, many remarking that they could have listened all night. Would that every one had her missionary zeal.

WOODSTOCK (Old St. Paul's).—We have just sent to the Kissock Homes, a complete outfit for Fred Mountinghorse, with sheets, pillow and pillow slips, and quilt, also a prayer book and Bible. Before sending we wrote to ask if the children who do not get things from the W. A. are not made envious, but received the answer, that on the contrary; they rejoice in the good fortune of their companions, take the greatest pleasure in inspecting the outfits, and live in hopes of some day being equally fortunate, from time to time they say to Miss Aldridge and Mrs. H. Swainson, "Please ask kind ladies to send me clothes too."

FROM THE MISSION FIELD.

To the St. Jude's, Brantford, Branch, Rev. I. Stringer wrote from an Island at Grand Rapids, "Please accept my hearty thanks for the Pocket Communion Service. I received it before leaving Toronto, but had not time to acknowledge it. It is very nice and will be most useful in travelling from place to place in the north. In using it I shall always think of the kind friends in Brantford, to whom I am indebted for it." To the juvenile Branch of St John the Evangelist, London, Rev. F. Frost writes — "I thank you kindly for remembering us so liberally. The work-bags will be a God send to all the recipients, and I will see that they go where they will be used. Little Indian girls are very like their white sisters, and are fond of a piece of bright ribbon, or anything that will make a decoration for a doll, and a needle and thread to experiment with. I will give needles, thread, etc., to the girls in the Sheguiandah Sunday School. Those large pictures illustrating Old Testament scenes are just the thing for the S. S. and will afford the children no end of entertainment and instruction. We are short of reward cards and other requisites. The quilts will be a blessing to the old people to whom I will give them at the approach of winter, though quilts and blankets are invaluable to Indians in summer, when they sleep on the cold ground or in the bottom of a canoe, and here it is always cold at night. The Indian children are clever, and get on nicely at school. At all my different stations I will tell them about the children of St. John the Evangelist who are working and praying for them. To Petrolia Branch, Mr. White, White Fish Lake, Diocese Athabasca, writes — "The total cost of freight on your two bales from Edmonton here was \$9.37; it is very good of you to think of paying it. I am very thankful that you are again sending bales to this Mission. All the men's clothes were eagerly taken up, with the exception of a tail coat, which none of them seemed to care about, I do not know why. Some of the women are beginning to have a good idea of how to make boy's clothes. Please thank Mr. Craig for the note books. I carry one about to note down difficult Cree phrases. Scrap books I am always glad of. I baptized a little girl, my first baptism. Three men are seriously thinking of coming forward, and their families will follow. I hope to put up a small mission room this year, God willing, but I have no nails to put on the roof, no bell to call the people to prayer, and no stove to warm them with when they come." To the Daughters of the King, New St. Paul's, Woodstock, Archdeacon Mackay and Miss Child, Emmanuel College, write — "My earnest thanks for your kind help. I wish we had more such helpers. Catharine is doing well. She is of an amiable disposition, and strong and healthy. We are commencing our midsummer examinations. Some of our pupils are fairly advanced. What we are to do with our girls when they are through with their training, is a question that often occurs. With us

it is a question still in the future, and we shall be guided by circumstances in each individual case. May every blessing attend your organization." Miss Ohild writes:—"The dresses fit Catharine, and the colors suit her well. I am sure if the ladies had seen her delighted face when I shewed her all her treasures, they would have felt partly repaid for the money and time spent on her. Thank you all so much for the pretty quilt sent to myself; it is so pleasant to be remembered sometimes. Both fields and gardens look most promising, and we hope to have splendid crops, but at present we are all struggling with the weeds. It makes such a difference to us when we can raise all we need in vegetables and feed for the stock. Most of the boys have small gardens of their own, and they look well cared for. We all like out-door work the best. Catharine's prayer book was very acceptable, and she is so pleased with her new pen that she carries it in her pocket all the time. Please tell all the ladies how grateful we are for their kindness to our biggest girl, it relieves me of much worry, as Catharine takes so much material for her things." Catharine herself writes (evidently with her new pen, in a very creditable hand,—Dear Ladies "I am writing to thank you for all the nice things you sent me. I like them very much, and will take care of them. My dresses are very nice. My new pen writes very well. We have a playground with a big fence round it, and the Archdeacon gave us a tent to play in; we are very glad. From Catharine."

TREASURER'S REPORT—August.

RECEIPTS.		
General Fund		Port Dovey
Owen Sound	\$ 2 00	Rev. J. C. Robinson—
Strathroy	1 80	Lon. Mem. Ch., Girls' H.B....
Port Dover	10	Ruperts' Land Mission Fund.
Sarnia	60	Miss Garrett
London, Christ Church.....	2 00	Kanyengah—
Zenana.		London—
Ingersoll	2 00	Memorial Church, Girls' H.B.
Lon., Christ Ch., Girls' M.B.	4 70	Circles King's Daughters, Per
London, Christ Church.....	5 00	Mrs. Tilley.....
Lady Missionary, N.W.		Christ Church
Lon., Mem. Ch., Girls' H.B. ...	6 00	Total.....
Strathroy.....	3 00	\$100 70
Ingersoll	5 00	DISBURSEMENTS.
London, Christ Church.....	5 00	Stamps
Lady Missionary, Japan		P. O. Orders, Post Cards, Deicas
Lon., Mem. Ch., Girls' H.B.	4 00	Forms
Strathroy.....	2 00	Lady Miss. Salary, to Rev. J. W.
Ingersoll	1 00	Times
Lon., Christ Ch., Girls' M.B.	4 69	Lady Miss Board, to Rev. J. W.
London, Christ Church	3 00	Times
Omoksene.		Miss Kerby
Lon., Christ Ch., Boy's M.B.,		Literature, to Mrs. Smith.....
for Hospital.....	5 81	To Canon Mockridge—
Education.		Lady Miss. Japan
Lon., Mem. Ch., Girls' H.B.	1 00	Rev. J. C. Robinson.....
Lion's Head.		Miss Lyon, Japan
Lon. Mem. Ch., Girls' H.B.	2 00	Total.....
Ingersoll	2 00	\$215 59

[Aug., 1896.] **Montreal Diocese.**

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

Now that our Annual Reports are finished we shall have more room for fresh items from all our Branches. In the city the regular work is suspended until October, but in the country we know that summer is sometimes the season of special activity, and the Editor will be very glad to receive short notices of recent efforts.

Will our Branches please remember Montreal's new pledge of \$30 a year to the Bible Women's House, which Miss Paterson is starting in connection with her work in Japan, the importance of which she describes on page 290, of July LEAFLET. If each of our Branches will respond to this call, and send in a contribution, however small, *at once*, to Mrs. Holden, 4166, Sherbrooke Street, Montreal—who in the absence of the Dio. Treasurer, will receive all W.A. monies, so that there may be no delay in remitting—it will greatly encourage those who have this good work nearest at heart.

We hope to make room in our next issue for a very interesting letter from Miss Bristow, of the Girl's School, Krishnagar, India.

A Branch of the W.A. has just been started in Franklin. Miss Fulton writes to our Corresponding Secretary, “We are to have a meeting here next week, we will try to do what we can although it will not be very much.” Franklin is in the same parish as Havelock, and this augurs well for the success of the new Branch, and we feel hopeful of good work to be reported in the near future, and tender our congratulations and sisterly welcome to the youngest of our Branches.

 SYNOPSIS OF COUNTRY BRANCHES' REPORTS.

(Continued.)

SHREWSBURY—Pres., Mrs. Morrison; 1st Vice-Pres., Miss McCullough; 2nd Vice-Pres., Miss Rathwell; Sec., Miss Good; Treas.,

Miss Morrison. Members, 9; meetings, 5. Repairs on Church completed, and new carpet, lamps and matting procured; held Harvest Home in aid of organ fund, sent \$1 to teacher's stipend, Washakada Home; \$3 to suffering Armenians, at present preparing bale for Shingwauk Home. Donations in cash and material from Pastor thankfully acknowledged. Receipts, \$78.24, disbursements, \$64.97. SHAWVILLE—Members, 12, meetings, 10. Children in Radford S. S. assisted in working for bale sent in Dec., value, \$17.90, freight, 60 cts. Pres., Mrs. J. Hodgins, Vice-Pres., Mrs. Wilson, Treas., Mrs. Naylor; Rec. Sec., Miss M. J. Wilson; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. Hodgins. Sent Japan, \$1, Washakada \$1, Printing Fund, \$1. PARKMAN BRANCH (in same parish)—Organized 29th January. Pres., Mrs. A. S. Smart, Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. C. Stark; Treas., Miss A. Smith; Rec. Sec., Miss M. Sinclair, Cor. Sec., Miss M. Sinclair. Will report fully next year. ST. ANDREW'S—Hon. Pres., Mrs. Dennis; Pres., Mrs. LeRoy, Vice-Pres., Miss McNaughton, Rec. Sec., Miss M. Burwash; Cor. Sec., Miss M. Allright, Treas., Miss K. Burwash. Members, 14, meetings, 7. Deplores the loss, by death, sickness or removal, of valued members, including Vice-Pres., who died after a few days illness. Raised in spite of discouragements, \$26 by annual sale. Sent \$5 to Zenanas, \$5 to Washakada, \$1 to Printing Fund, balance to Parochial and other objects. Receipts, \$41.36. ST. ARMAND'S WEST—Pres., Mrs. C. S. Mitchell; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. C. S. Whitwell; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. P. C. Moore, Sec., Mrs. G. Jones, Treas., Mrs. Russell. Members, 16; meetings, 12, average attendance, 6. LEAFLETS, 15. Members when prevented by distance from attending, work at home. Sent off two bales of new and second-hand articles (one to Washakada sufferers), and \$2 to Triennial Thankoffering. Receipts, \$12.18. The "Be and Do" (Junior Branch) have met during the year. Average attendance, 11. Sent bale of clothing made by themselves to General Hospital, Montreal; and also gave \$5 to enable children of poor family to attend S.S.; and \$5 to fresh air fund. ST. JOHN'S—Hon. Pres., Mrs. Windsor; Pres., Mrs. Charlton; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Walmsley. Delegates: Mrs. Wamsley, Mrs. Trotter. Members, 26; meetings fortnightly, average attendance, 7. Bales sent (share of freight prepaid) to Washakada, (with special bale after fire), and Onion Lake; contents all good and useful, \$5 to St. Barnabas' Home. Also Dio. Board fees, \$2.30. Printing Fund, \$1, Washakada, teacher's stipend, \$1; Japan Med. Miss., \$2, Triennial Thankoffering, \$1. Receipts, \$35. ST. JOHN'S (Girl's Branch)—Hon. Pres., Mrs. Windsor, Pres., Miss Clark; Vice-Pres., Miss Ryder; Treas., Miss Picard. Members, 10. Raised \$23 by "Sociable", sent box of warm clothing to Orphan's Home, and bale of children's clothing to Washakada; gave \$10 towards cushions for choir. Three new members added. Receipts, \$34.65. ST. LAMBERT'S—Young Ladies' Guild very active, will hold sale of work in April; Band of Hope also does Mission work. Details not

given. WATERLOO—Pres., Mrs. J. Robinson; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Lindsay; 2nd vice-Pres., Mrs. G. Gilmore, Treas., Mrs. E. Raymond; Rec. and Cor. Sec., Mrs. G. Stewart; LEAFLET Treasurer, Mrs. G. Stewart. Regular fortnightly meetings held, except for short time in summer, average attendance, 20. Collection at each meeting, including member's fees, ranging from \$1.50 to \$3.75. Special meetings called when necessary, one such in November to prepare bale for Elkhorn, afterwards had excellent address from Miss Tilley, Sec. of Junior Branches, Central Board. Have raised during year, \$108. No appeal refused, whether Parochial or Missionary. Sent \$15 to Rev. L. N. Tucker, Vancouver, and gave \$11 to Bishop of Moosonee. LEAFLET subscribers, 27; all unanimous in praise of the paper. Sent bale of new articles to Dunham College. Receipts, \$108, disbursements, \$108. WATERLOO (Girls' Branch)—Pres., Mrs. Shaw; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Wallace, 2nd Vice-Pres., Miss Ashton, Treas., Mrs. Slack; Sec., Miss Raymond. Members, 67; meetings, 16, average attendance, 45. Meetings always closed with prayer, and sometimes addresses by clergymen. Had interesting address from Miss Tilley, with afternoon tea at Rectory. Held 3 socials during year, and Annual Bazaar; have supplied Church with flowers at Easter and Christmas; sent box to Shingwauk Home.

The Dorcas Secretary reports a bale sent in June by Grenville Branch, to Rev. F. Swainson, Blood Reserve, McLeod, Dio. Calgary and Saskatchewan, containing 19 new articles, 52 second-hand, curtains, soap, etc. Cash for material \$5.35; cash for groceries, books, and toys, \$4.18. One bale sent in May from Mrs. Hutton's Branch of I.H.N. Society, under Miss Ethel Armstrong, to the Dynevov Indian Hospital, Rupert's Land, containing 35 new articles.

OUR LETTER BOX.

July 7th.

Just a few lines to let you all know we leave St. Peter's, Lesser Slave Lake, for our twelve months' furlong. The Rev. G. W. White will be in charge during my absence, and give all information respecting the work of the Mission, also acknowledge the bales, which, so far, are very few. I am well aware that the W.A. have many calls, and have responded to the personal appeals made to them during the past winter, but many of our old friends and helpers have forgotten us. Unless more clothing is given to us our Home will suffer in a very serious degree. Mr. White will not be able to clothe more than twelve children instead of thirty (the number in the Home last winter). It is a very great responsibility for Mr. White; and although a bad time for this appeal, I am sure the W.A. will not allow this hopeful and

rapidly growing Mission to suffer neglect, but will send a necessary outfit of clothing for at least fifteen children. We hope to pass through Toronto about the end of August, and shall be very pleased to meet any members of the W.A.

LANDSDOWN MISSION, FORT ALEXANDER, *March 7th, 1896.*

DEAR MADAM,—I came here three years last July, and have laboured amongst my people ever since, and I am thankful to say with great results. God has blest me abundantly. I have enjoyed happiness and pleasure. Like my people, able to read the word of God, and sing praise in His Name, in our own language—that is Ojibeway. I have quite a long space as my field of labor, extending about 60 miles along the eastern side of Lake Winnipeg. I have just returned from a visit at the farthest station at the river, where I am sorry to say, all are as yet heathens. I have received into baptism two adults, converts, and have a Catechist stationed here. I also had Black River to look after, but I was relieved last fall. Rev. B Mackenzie is in charge there now. My own station, Lansdown, is, I am glad to say, flourishing. * *

You ask me to give you the particulars of the two children I had adopted. While I thank you very much, and would also send you the particulars as well as I could, I would ask you to help us in the way of clothing for these poor Indians, they are so badly off. We have so many old widows, and they look to me a great deal for their living, I do sometimes really not know what to do, but thanks be to God He has given me plenty for all. And then at Hole River there are about forty children in the Register, and there are only about half can go to school in the winter time, on account of being naked; and we have about the same number in our school here. Any clothing for any of these would be very acceptable. Mrs. Thomas is not a very big woman, stands 5 feet high, measures across the shoulders, 1 foot 6 inches; round the waist, 2 feet inches. Little girl, five years old, stands 3 feet 6 inches high, shoulders, 2 feet 4 inches; waist, 1 foot 10 inches. Boy stands 5 feet 5 inches; shoulders, 3 feet 4 inches; waist, 2 feet 6 inches; length of leg, 2 feet 10 inches; length of arm, 1 foot 8 inches; round biggest part of leg, 1 foot 9 inches. These are measurements as near as I could make, I hope you will make them out. I do not get the LETTER LEAFLET, which I would be much obliged to get. You will please excuse my poor English and composition, you will see I am not able to write as I would. I am laboring under a disadvantage, I never had the chance of even a common day-school, but thanks be to God he has taught me all I know. Believe me with kind regards to yourself and to the kind ladies and girls who have thought so well of us. May God bless you all and make you a blessing.

Yours sincerely,

EDWARD THOMAS.

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

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

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The Branches will be pleased to see the following account of the progress of Niagara Missionary children.

From the *Winnipeg Morning Free Press*, June 25th. “The St. John’s Ladies’ School had a successful closing entertainment last evening. There was a large turn out of friends of the College crowding the Hall. The walls were handsomely decorated for the occasion, and the effect, together with that of the appearance of the young ladies on the platform, was very attractive. The very Rev. Dean Grisdale presided, and the pupils rendered their selections in a creditable manner. Senior Class, Julia Scott, Medal presented by the Archbishop of Rupert’s Land, for the highest in examinations, first drawing prize, Honourable Mention in Scripture, prize for needle and music, prize for 1895. She also took part in the senior class recitation. *Athletic* (Scene vii.)

In the prize list of Bishop Ridley College, St. Catharines, Heath Gander has carried off the following in Form iii.: General proficiency, English Literature, 2nd prize in Mathematics, Greek, History and Geography, Scripture and Divinity; and Honourable Mention in Grammar and Composition, Latin, French, German and Reading.

The Cor. Sec. has received a card from Miss Crawford, our Lady Missionary to the Sarcee Reserve, saying that she was leaving Ingersoll on the 11th July, and will go by boat from Windsor to Port Arthur.

She expects to be in Calgary on the 17th. The W.A. at Ingersoll had a farewell for her, the account of which is in the *Dominion Churchman*.

On June 29th, the W.A. had a lunch for the Bishops and clergy attending the installation of Bishop DuMoulin, in the Cathedral Schoolhouse. The affair was a great success. In the evening the W.A. was well represented at the reception given to His Lordship and Mrs. DuMoulin in the Court House.

From the Rev. W. G. White, St Andrew's Mission, Whitefish Lake, to Mrs. Lemon, All Saints' Branch, May 1st.

I thank you for your letter of Feb. 29th, which I received by the last Mail. I am writing to you by the first opportunity that has occurred from here for some time, to catch the spring packet that leaves Slave Lake in about ten days. I am very grateful that the All Saints' Auxiliary have again decided to send the bales, at which the members have been working all the winter, to this Mission. The Indians and myself will be most thankful for the contents. It is quite a pleasure, also somewhat of an excitement opening the bales, and seeing what loving hearts and busy hands have thought of, and packed and sent all this way for the poor Indians, and the almost as poor Missionary. God willing, I am very anxious to put up a small log building 20 ft x 16 ft, with if possible a small chancel added, for services. I have had nearly one hundred logs felled and squared this winter for the purpose, and have hauled nearly all of them home with my dogs. The pine logs for boards are from a distance of nearly four miles across the lake here. I have been anxious to get a bell for a long time, and when the little Church is built I shall want a stove. I am setting aside a building fund for this purpose, so far, it amounts to \$10, received from friends in the old country. With God's help I must try and get the building up and the roof shingled this summer or the logs will rot. I can't possibly afford to pay for nails and a stove and a bell. It will be quite a task to find food for the work. During the last few weeks I have distributed some small booklets of prayers and hymns, translated by Mr Holmes, and printed in the Cree syllabics by our Bishop, at the Landing. First one and then another of the people took part in the singing, until last Sunday half a dozen joined in the hymns quite heartily. This is but the beginning of what must, in the Lord's hands, lead to great results when we can place the Scriptures in the Cree syllabics in the hands of the bush Crees, that they may read for themselves the Gospel as it is in Christ Jesus. We have had a long and severe winter; the thermometer went to 50 below twice, and

40 below was quite common. The geese and ducks are only just arriving here, and as the fishing has been poor, some of the people have had a hard time of it, but I hope fish will be plentiful in a few days. Most of the children here, of school age, go to the Home at Slave Lake. I hope to get the ones that remain to Sunday School when their parents return from hunting. A little boy called Peter has been around a good bit this winter, doing the chores for me, and is getting quite handy, he is picking up a little English, and surprised me the other day when I called him, by answering "what." Will you thank the All Saints' Juniors for the clothes, at which they are working, for this Mission. The little ones were much pleased with the dolls and pinafores given them on New Year's Day.

In reference to the passages marked in the LEAFLETS you kindly sent me, regarding the refunding of freight on bales, I know that what I am now writing expresses in general terms the feelings of most, if not all, my fellow Missionaries in this Diocese on this subject, and as we all serve the same good Master, I trust you will all give the matter your prayerful and careful consideration. Having given the matter full consideration, and weighed it in all its bearings, as it concerns both the Women's Auxiliary and ourselves as Missionaries, and while we can see the advantage it would be to the W.A. from a financial point of view, we cannot help but see the great disadvantage it would be to Missionaries who realize the solemn responsibility of preaching the Gospel to the Indians. We feel sure that our Christian friends of the W.A. would not desire to increase the already heavy burden of secular work, which so seriously interferes with the spiritual work nearest your hearts and ours. Our work might be much more aggressive had we more time to visit Indians living at considerable distances from the Mission Station. For us to comply with the conditions the Government wish to impose, would be to tie our own hands, and to do violence to our own consciences. We are endeavouring as much as possible to free ourselves from secular duties, and this is one important reason for our objecting to such an arrangement, and we are strongly impressed with the fact that to give the Government any such control over our Missions would not be in accordance with God's Word or His plan of giving the Gospel to the heathen. These Indians are non-Treaty Indians; there are no agents in this Diocese, and it is to the Missions the people go for medicines, or any gratuitous assistance.

Extract of letter from Mrs. Holmes, Lesser Slave Lake, dated April 23rd.

"We have had rather a trying winter, at least during the time my husband was at Wabiskaw. He left us with a very sick child, who was taken home to be with Jesus a few days after his departure, then as

soon as we had got over this trouble, *all* our Home children were taken sick, one after the other they were stricken with vomiting and dysentery; some we were very anxious about, but God graciously spared them. Then in the midst of it all our Matron was taken with the same complaint, only more severe. You can imagine all this was a source of great anxiety and responsibility, particularly as my husband was away from home—but here let me say that the Rev. G. White [Whose letter we give in this issue.—ED.] was with us, he was a great comfort, and rendered valuable assistance in every way in our time of need. God kept me up wonderfully all through, giving strength moment by moment, so that I could supervise and cook for the invalids, etc., etc., until all was over, and then I had a very serious attack of La Grippe, from which I do not yet feel to have recovered. Mabel, too, was very ill before this, but Mr. Holmes, I am thankful to say, was home again, and able to nurse and look after us. God willing, we shall be leaving here in July for furlong. Mr. Holmes is appointed a delegate to the Synod at Regina, which I believe takes place the first week in August, he also ought to remain for the one in Winnipeg, but if possible we shall go straight home to England. Please excuse me just now, would like to have written more fully about winter's work. One sad fact, so far as we can see from LEAFLET and other papers, *not a cent* for St. Peter's from East Canada this winter." In letter from Mr. Holmes of same date, he says. "I am thankful to say that all is now well both in the Mission House and the Home. We have had a very long cold winter, about half our winter's snow still lies on the ground, and we are still driving across the lake with horses and cutters. Within the last four days the geese and ducks have come to greet us. I reached home last week with seven fine fat geese. We slept outside one night, and on waking up in the morning, found our blankets covered with about two inches of snow. We have almost come to the end of our fish, so will have to hunt for both ourselves and children until the ice clears away and we are able to set nets."

The following list of clothing and sundries needed for Christ Church Mission, Upper Peace River, was sent to the Branch at Milton, in a letter from Rev. H. Robinson: Children's clothing, materials for boys' suits, dress goods, materials good and strong for women's dresses and underclothing, aprons, men's suits, or materials for making them (the Indian women are very good sewers) shirts, socks, children's boots or shoes, but they must be light, for they can only wear them in summer when the ground is wet. Skirts are very valuable, but as a rule they are not made wide enough at the bottom for the Indian women, mitts, comforters, quilts, blankets, thread, needles, scissors, thimbles, towels, combs, tin cups, tin plates, or granite-ware, knives and forks, spoons, beans, rice, salt, sugar, flour, etc. We will be pleased if only we can keep fifteen or twenty children next winter. We will gladly teach them if only our kind friends will help us to feed and clothe them.

[Aug., 1896.]

Ontario Diocese.

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

The long talked of division of the Diocese is now getting to be an old story, but it will be very long before the Ontario W.A. ceases to feel the loss of her tried and valued members of the Board from Ottawa City. The two Auxiliaries will always feel a special interest in each other, such an interest, let us hope, as the writer of the epistle to the Hebrews, had in his mind when he wrote, "Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works." . . . In our contracted space we cannot do more than mention the more important business done at the two meetings already held by the new Board. The first duty was to elect a Treasurer, which office is now held by Mrs. Worrell, wife of the Rev. Prof. Worrell, of Barriefield. The appointing of representatives for the various Branches, and arranging that each of the six Rural Deaneries of Ontario should be reported at Board Meeting twice a year, was also decided on. The second meeting was held a week earlier than the regular day, in order to give the wives of the clergy, who were present for Synod, an opportunity of attending. After the usual business had been transacted, and reports from the Branches in the Rural Deanery of Frontenac heard, a resolution was moved by Mrs. Stanton, wife of the Rural Dean of Hastings, and seconded by Miss Annie Muckleston, Dorcas Secretary, "That the W.A. of this Diocese should pledge themselves to give a definite sum to Diocesan Missions, during the coming year." The sum was fixed at two-hundred dollars, and the resolution carried.

BRANCH NOTES.

(Frontenac.)

Owing to the small space at our disposal, the reports from the city Churches are omitted, preference being given to the country Branches.

SYDENHAM—This Branch has now twelve members, and holds meetings for work twice a month, besides which each member is expected to work as much as possible each day, so we may expect before long to hear of a bale being sent off. A meeting was held in June, at which Mrs. Rogers, Dio. President, was present, and which was much enjoyed by the members. There are five subscribers to the LEAFLET.

CATARAQUI—The members of this Branch have been working steadily. Oct. 1895, when the East bale was sent off, and expect to send another this Autumn, for which they already have on hand over fifty articles of clothing. The Branch consists of twelve members.

PORTSMOUTH—This Branch is composed of forty members, fifteen of whom are workers, the rest subscribers. During the last six months a bale has been sent to Mr. Hockley, of the Blood Reserve, and work has been done for the Shingwauk Home. One hundred and twenty-four garments have been made and thirty-two dollars collected.

DORCAS REPORT.

KINGSTON (St. George's)—Sent a bale to the Gordon School, Touchwood, Kedawa, Dio Qu'Appelle. The T.W.A. enclosed a parcel. St. James' sent a bale to Eagle River, Wahbuskang, Dio. Rupert's Land, to Mr. R. G. Atkinson, Missionary. Hawley Branch, enclosed a parcel. The piano mentioned in the last issue has been sent to the Rev. A. J. Young, North Bay, Dio. Algoma.

ANNIE MUCKLESTON, *Dorcas Secretary, Dio. Ont.*

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS		Received from the Branches of the Ottawa W.A. 71 29	
Domestic Missions.		Diocesan Assessment.	
Kingston St. James', J.W.A.		Bath, W.A.	1 00
Peace River Mission, Dio.		Mrs. Tilton's Provincial	
Athabasca	\$10 00	Life Membership.	
Bishop of Qu'Appelle's new		Kingston, W.A.	8 00
Mission to Indians	5 00	Barrie field, W.A.	1 00
Education Miss. children in		Brockville, W.A.	2 00
Dio. Algoma	5 00	Belle ville, W.A.	4 00
Foreign Missions.		Kemptville, W.A.	1 00
St. George's Cath. W.A., Miss		Pictou, W.A.	1 00
Smith's work, Nagano, Japan	10 00	Trenton, W.A.	50
St. George's W.A., Miss Pat-		Cataraqui, W.A.	50
erson's house, Japan.	2 00	Merrickville, W.A.	1 00
St. James' W.A., Rev. Mr		Prescott, W.A.	1 00
Waller's Ch., Nagano, Japan	2 00	From eleven Branches of Ottawa W.A. and one Dio.	
Diocesan Missions.		Member	25 00
Thankoffering at Annual Meeting			\$254 19
for Superannuation Fund—		EXPENDITURE.	
Bath, W.A.	3 50	Paid Ontario Dio. Secretary	10 00
Kingston, St. James' W.A.	15 00	Sent Rev. T. Leach, Bancroft	10 00
Bancroft, W.A.	5 00	To Ontario Dio. Sec., Thankoffe-	
Barrie field W.A.	2 50	ring given at annual Meeting for	
Belle ville, St. Thomas' W.A.	10 00	Superannuation Fund	180 18
Prescott W.A.	11 00	Ont. Dio. Sec., D. & F. M.	29 00
Kingston, St. George's W.A.	12 00	Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Piegan Mission	6 25
Brockville, Trinity W.A.	5 00	Cost of Order	10
Merrickville, W.A.	5 70	Corresponding Sec. for postage ...	3 00
Newboro', W.A.	1 25		\$238 53
Pictou, W.A.	2 00		
Trenton, W.A.	1 50		
New Dublin, W.A.	40		
Brockville, St. Paul's W.A.	5 00		
Ontario, W.A.	13 05		

[Aug., 1896].

Ottawa Diocese.

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Ottawa Diocese contains at present but sixteen working Branches of the W.A., viz., Billing's Bridge, Manotick, Ottawa, Janeville and Ottawa East, in Carleton Deanery; Carleton Place, Lanark, Balderston, Clayton, Perth and Pakenham, in Lanark Deanery; Pembroke in Renfrew, and Cornwall, Morrisburg, Wales and Moulinette in that of Stormont, whose organizing Secretary is now Mrs. Houston, in whose favor Mrs. Killaly has resigned. Two of these Branches, contain more than one parish, for Ottawa contains eight and Cornwall two; but even so, the W.A. is working in less than half the parishes in the Diocese. Here is a field for prayer and effort. We feel very grateful for the action of our Synod in refusing to ask us to come to the assistance of the Diocesan Mission Fund, interpreting it to show the confidence of Synod in the loyalty of the people, men as well as women, and we believe that the Mission Fund will be in a much more healthy condition, than if the appeal had been made to a society organized for a distinctly different purpose.

This is the "day of small things" also with the LEAFLET, as we begin with a circulation of only 451. Let our friends try and increase this, (subscriptions can begin at any time) for we are sure that the steady reading of this unpretending little messenger must be a means of keeping alive in some, and arousing in others, the love of souls for whom Christ died. . . . Extract from report of LEAFLET and Printing Committee read at the Triennial, 1895: "This Magazine (LEAFLET) was originated with the express object of printing the latest news from our Domestic and Foreign fields, and your Committee would respectfully urge upon the Diocesan, Editors, or Literature Committee, who may control the Diocesan pages, that valuable space is too often taken up with detailed accounts of contents of bales, and reports of local Branches."

According to promise we give a review of work done by the J.W.A. and C.C.M.G. last year. We find sixteen Branches of the J.W.A., nine of which are in Ontario, seven in Ottawa. Three of these do not report active work, but from the remaining thirteen there is much encouragement. St. Thomas', Belleville, supports a boy in the Piegan Home; Carleton Place, Deseronto, Kingston (St. George's and St. James') Perth and Wales, have all contributed towards the Educational Fund; sixteen bales have been sent away, besides parcels in the

Senior bales; \$35 has been given to Diocesan work; \$19.25 to Foreign Missions, and \$16.50 to Domestic Missions. The Diocesan Assessment has been paid in all cases but one, and other amounts making a total of \$445.83 make a fair showing for the work of 340 young people. Several Christmas boxes, two Altar cloths, three surplices, one complete outfit for an Indian girl, medicine and groceries, two sets of fair linen, and eight or more quilts, were among the contents of the bales. One of the Branches, that of Trinity, Brockville, is composed entirely of boys; this one and that of Wales, were organized during the year. Miss Parris, who has been President of the Ottawa J.W.A., while Sec. for C.C.M.G., is now the Secretary for Ottawa Diocese, having moved to Kingston. There have been thirteen Branches of the C.C.M.G. during the past year, eight of which fall in Ontario Diocese, and five in Ottawa. The Secretary writes, "The reports this year were much more business like and satisfactory. The C.C.M.G. work, as a whole seems to have a firm footing, and the workers understand better what is expected of them, and what an amount of good work they are privileged to perform. It is quite safe to hope and trust that from this out there will be a steady growth in the right direction." There is a membership of 234 reported. In most cases weekly meetings have been held. One Branch sent away a bale containing 13 quilts; another contributed \$24 to the Ontario Mission Fund, another gave a set of Communion Vessels to a poor parish. Two carpets have been made, and more gifts contributed amounting to \$53.17. Mrs. Mackey, 544 King St., who has been President at the St. John's Branch for some years, has again become Secretary for C.C.M.G. for Ottawa, while in Ontario Miss Lewin acts for both Junior Societies.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS—From Treasurer of Ontario Diocese on account of Lady Missionary in North West, \$128.60; from Ontario Treasurer, General account, \$24.15; from Billing's Bridge, for Lady Missionary, North West, \$300; Dio. Assessment, 60 cts., Diocesan Member, North Gower, 25 cts., Ottawa, for Provincial Life Membership, \$8; for Superannuation Fund, \$17.70. Total Receipts, \$182.30.

EXPENDITURE—One half sum due Board of D. & F. Missions on account of salary of Lady Missionary in Japan, \$11 38 Ottawa, Provincial Life Membership, \$8; Ottawa, Superannuation Fund, \$17.70. Total, \$37.08. CATH. E. BAKER, Treasurer.

NOTE.—The few omissions and mistakes in the printed report of the Annual Meeting, will, we are sure, be forgiven, when it is remembered how very short the time was between our meeting and that of the Synod. Clayton we see is omitted entirely from the directory. Will those who notice other mistakes, kindly write Miss Baker, acting Editor, at once.

[Aug. 1896.]

Quebec Diocese.

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

Owing to the absence of members, there have been no meetings this month, consequently there is nothing in the way of local news to report.

The following extracts are taken from a most interesting letter of the Provincial Dorcas Secretary, which, owing to want of space, we are unable to give in full. We have copied the most interesting parts.

MY DEAR AUXILIARY SISTERS,—I feel sure that we have only to read the numerous reports from our Missionaries, which appear from time to time in the LEAFLET, to show how important is our Branch to them in the way of assistance in clothing, groceries, etc.; yet we do not wish to give it a foremost place, rather do we desire that its work should be regular and systematic, and that each Branch of the W.A. should arrange matters so that all the Missions be assisted in proportion to their needs. It rests with the Provincial Dorcas Secretary to ascertain the various needs of all the Mission Schools in the N.W. and Algoma, and to divide these schools between the several Dioceses, and putting needy Missions on two or more Dioceses. It is also advisable not to respond to any direct appeal from a Missionary without consulting the Dorcas Secretary. This prevents the possibility of giving overdue relief to one Mission at the expense of another. An important rule to be considered, is, to enclose in each bale a list of contents, also the name of the Branch, with the Secretary's name and address; also let the Branch Secretary write to the Missionary notifying the shipment of bale, the date, etc., and again give the address. A wise precaution when sending to a distant Mission, would be to supplement the letter by a post card, giving same informa-

tion as that contained in the letter, mail arrangements not being always dependable in outlying stations. Be also careful when filling up your Dorcas form for cash expended, whether on goods bought by the Branch or donated by members, or spent by Branch on groceries, freight, etc., as this will greatly facilitate the Dorcas Secretary in making out her yearly return to the Provincial Board. Care should also be taken in sending articles suitable to the Mission, and not make the mistake, as in one instance, of sending girls' clothing to a boy's Mission School. Some Missions which lie far to the north of the C.P.R., require bales to be carried hundreds of miles; it is therefore necessary to ascertain the best seasons for their transshipment. Some Missions can only be reached by water, therefore from May to September would be the best time for shipment to these stations. In sending bales to any day-school in the N.W., they should be addressed thus: *To the Teacher*, with the name of the school, place, etc., beneath, but the name of the teacher must not appear, as teachers are constantly being changed. I must mention the Indian Schools, for which our Missionaries look to us for help, as regards clothing, particularly for their boys; it would be very desirable if Branches could undertake the equipping of individual children. Will you not try and provide for two or more boys? The Indian Hospital in St. Peter's Reserve, deserves mention. No indoor patients could be received owing to the want of beds, but some furnishings have since arrived. This Hospital is worthy of your prayers. Your Dorcas Secretary has laid before you the need of Communion Vessels, Fonts, etc., for Missions. Please forgive this lengthy letter, and hoping that the Annual Meeting may prove a blessing to each one of you,

Believe me yours very faithfully,

KATE A. HALSON.

From Mrs. Bompas, St. John's, Buxton, Upper Yukon, Athabasca, Sept. 1895, to Mrs. Thornloe, Sherbrooke

DEAR MRS. THORNLOE,—May I ask you kindly to convey to

to the members of the W.A., our grateful thanks for their contribution of \$50, of which Mrs. W. Drake of Sherbrooke Street, Montreal, has given us notice. I am sorry that we have not yet attained to the George "Sherbrooke" for whom the W.A.'s kind subscription was originally intended. The reason is, that all our Indian children in this district are baptized in infancy and we seldom have any brought to the Mission under the age of four or five. We have had, and are likely to have, a continued succession of these, but our premises are at present too small, and our funds too limited to think of our receiving more than eight or ten with comfort. Last winter we had eleven, but some of these were half-breeds, whose fathers pay something towards their support and education. For the pure Indians, we have of course only your kind aid, and £8 sent us yearly from a friend in England. Our Indian day-school keeps up its numbers, and the children are fairly regular, but this can only be for a time, as their fathers must be off hunting at the proper seasons, and all the family follow him to the woods or hunting grounds. During the fishing season also they camp at different parts of the river, where the nets are spread, and the whole community is occupied in catching and drying fish for the winter supply for themselves and for their dogs. Our Church services are very well attended, both on Sunday and week days (evensong), and with a temperature at times so low as 70 below zero, we never once lacked our little band of worshippers. We have also a few Indian communicants, for which we cannot but feel thankful, as all these things have been at a very low ebb amongst us. I must ask you to excuse these few hurried lines, which with a few other letters, we are going to commit to the care of some white miners who are going across the mountains to Jemcorn. Our regular mail comes only once a year from St. Michael, mouth of river Yukon. Please apologize to the Corresponding Secretary of the W.A. to whom I should have written, but I cannot recall her name.

Believe me sincerely yours,

C. S. BOMPAS.

From the Rev. J. R. Matheson, Onion Lake, Saskatchewan, to Mrs. M. B. Irvine, March 11th, 1896.

DEAR FRIEND,—Your letter of the 25th inst., with the welcome tidings of the money for Miss Phillip's salary to hand. It would be waste of time to say how pleased I am that you are taking such a strong hand in this work with us, and in such a tangible way too, still I cannot help saying that I almost grudg you the happiness of doing it. She (Miss Phillips) has been such a true yoke fellow in the work, that I always looked forward with pleasure to paying her, and all our needs have been so abundantly supplied that it was never a hardship to do so, but always a happiness. The way we do, we just put all our money into a common fund, we don't count \$1 our own, it is all His, and all spent for Him, the only pity is, it is so little to offer, or to give; but it is all we have and all He asks for, and it is blest so many times over to us, that it ceases to be giving at all, and it is all receiving instead. Our work is prospering, and I feel more confident every day that the best way to do work here is just the way we are doing it; catch the young, bend the little twigs, and God make use of them to lead older ones to unfold. In regard to the method of sending the money, my nearest money order office is Battleford (100 miles or more away), so you can make it payable there, or you may just register a letter containing the bills (say \$10 bills) to my address here, as it will come perfectly safe.

Yours in the Master's Name,

J. R. MATHESON.

BRANCH NOTES.

The Lower Ireland Branch of the W.A., are very anxious about a barrel of clothing sent last February, to the Rev. D. Wood, Manitoulin Islands, valued at \$34.98, and for which they have received no acknowledgement. We trust that the missing bale may soon be heard of.

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