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## Canadian Baptist Foreign Missionary Society.

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

In obedience to the command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," our Society has completed another year's work for the Divine Master.

It now becomes the duty of the Executive to render an account of work performed and results obtained.

### HOME DEPARTMENT.

In this department your Executive Officers have been earnest and devoted in the prosecution of their God-given work. Their aim has been to adopt methods by which the necessary funds might be obtained, so that our missionaries might not suffer and that the work might not be hindered.

Members of the Executive Committee have, on several occasions, advanced money sent to India; special appeals have been made in behalf of the work and during five months an agent was engaged to give information to the churches regarding the Mission and to solicit and collect funds.

The plan adopted was to give an address, take collections and subscriptions at each meeting and then appoint a *live* committee to collect what was subscribed and to get as much as possible added.

In this way 130 churches were visited, 150 addresses delivered and about \$2,000 secured for the Society, a large part of which would not have been obtained, except by the means adopted. The claims of the Society were also duly presented at the various Associations by brethren entrusted with the work. In addition to these means the Secretary made several tours in the interests of the Mission—one as far as Montreal, Quebec and the Eastern townships—in all involving travel to the extent of 1,600 miles. Most of the churches not visited from which anything could be obtained, have pastors and officers who see that aid is given yearly to the Mission.

It will thus be seen that the Executive have had a plan and that the work has been done *thoroughly and systematically*. But we need to raise \$10,000 each year. To insure this amount our churches have to increase their donations "all along the lines," as it requires an average of fifty dollars from the churches, which may be reasonably expected to give, to the funds of the Mission. At present, our churches do not give this average. Many persons only give fifty cents, sometimes only twenty-five cents, when they should give a dollar, and hundreds only give one or two dollars when they could give five dollars, without feeling it. But in this, as in all Christian work, we have to take men as we find them and not as we should like to find them. O! for more of the grace of *liberal giving*.

At present, an effort is being made to have our Sabbath Schools undertake to sustain our Theological Seminary at Samulcotta. Brethren McDiarmid and Bates have this work in hand. They are pushing it vigorously and are meeting with cheering success. By this means we hope to have the funds of the Society augmented during the coming year.

Your Board also desires to make honorable mention of the aid rendered financially by the Women's Auxiliary Societies, whose contributions to our treasury for the fiscal year amount to \$3,162.15, being almost one-third of the amount raised.

### MISS FRITH'S APPOINTMENT.

The appointment of a lady missionary to engage in Zenana work in connection with our mission, has during the year become a fact. At a special meeting of the Board held on the 14th March, communications were presented from the Women's Foreign Mission Boards, requesting the General Board to appoint Miss Frith as a lady missionary to India to labor among the Telugu women. The following resolutions on this subject were moved and carried unanimously:—

"1st. That in view of the application of Miss Frith to the Boards of the 'Women's Foreign Mission Societies,' and satisfied from the way in which she has been led that God is directing her to work for Him among the Telugu women in India, and appreciating the zeal and earnestness of the Ladies' Foreign Mission Societies in mission work and their liberal offer to support Miss Frith if sent out—This Board therefore, at a special meeting called for the purpose in Toronto, *Resolves* as follows: Moved by C. Raymond and seconded by J. Dempsey. That in accordance with the wishes and *resolutions* of the Women's Missionary Societies East and West, we do now appoint Miss Frith a missionary of this Board to the work indicated in her own application and in the resolutions of the Ladies' Boards, and hereby express our thanks to them for the interest they have taken in this matter.

"2nd. And further, *Resolved*:—That we request the Women's Boards to ask Miss Frith to prepare to leave for India in the autumn of 1882."

Miss Frith is now on her way to the East, having sailed from New York about the 1st of September, in company with other missionaries. The prayer of your Board is that the Lord may give the "winds and the waves" a charge concerning her and that she may be long spared to labor for his cause in India.

### FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

Rev. A. V. Timpany has now permanent charge of the *Coastal Field*, on which he has labored during the year with his characteristic devotion and energy. Your Missionary writes that the "work in its general aspects has been very much the same as in the previous year."

The health of his family and of the scholars in the compound, has on the whole been good, but he, himself, has suffered much from malarial fever which has had a fast hold on his system for almost three years. By it he has been confined to the house for two weeks at a time, and some anxiety has been caused by its continuance.

Regarding the death of *Josiah Burder*, brother Timpany says: "Very early in the year we were called upon to part with the native minister, Josiah Burder. He was ripe for Heaven's garner as any Telugu I have ever known. He was not, for God took him. His loss was keenly felt. A good deal of the work he did has fallen upon me, making a very heavy Sabbath for me along with an English service in the evening. "It is not intended to fill his place from a distance. We will probably wait until a man grows up among us who will be competent to fill the place vacated by Josiah's death. His son Jonathan, who was preaching a good deal before the death of his father, has taken up part of the work. The native church has assumed part of his salary. He is a devoted young man, and in a year or so I hope he will be ordained and become full pastor of the Telugu, Cocanada Baptist Church."

*Pear*, another native minister, has continued to do good faithful work in and about Maramanda. There have not been so many baptisms on his field as last year, but the work has become more settled and a couple of school-houses got under way. This school-house chapel building is slow, hard work. The Christians of this part of the country have been accustomed to have these things done for them by the Societies of other denominations. The people are too poor, most of them very poor. Our effort is to make them do work and bear some of the expense. This is being done, and the more it is done the better it will be for the Christian character of the converts themselves."

"*D. Samuel*, an usher of the preachers, has done good work during the past year. He is having a chapel built at Nullur. It will be the first house built on the Cocanada field, the people themselves bearing the greater part of the expense."

"There is an old blind man called *Dashalu*, to whom I give Rs. 3 a month, to go from village to village through the central part of the field to tell the simple story of Christ crucified."

*Schools.* Referring more particularly to the schools, your Missionary states that there are three in operation in Cocanada, with an average attendance of from six to twenty scholars each. It was intended to send a number of the men and boys to Samulcotta as soon as the Seminary opened.

*Touring.* As far as time and strength permitted, your missionary travelled and preached over the field, mostly through the central and southern parts. This was done in addition to the general station work. In December he went to Ongole to attend the annual Conference in the interests of "Bible work."

*Baptisms.* During the year forty native people were baptised. Brother Timpany says: "A good many of these were in Cocanada. I am glad to be able to say this, for a long time we had very little apparent fruit in Cocanada itself."

*English Baptist Church.* Your missionary states that the "English Baptist Church has held its way." He says—They are a noble band of brethren and sisters. Only about half of them are now in Cocanada. They have gone North and South, we trust to be lights for Christ. Three were added to them by baptism and two dismissed to the Baptist Church in Madras, and one

died. One of the sisters of the church, Miss P. Beggs, is fitting herself for Zenana work. She attends our Telugu school and has made excellent progress in the Telugu language. I hope she will be ready for work by the close of the year."

*Statistics.*—Baptized, 40; restored and added by experience, 16; admitted by letter, 5; dismissed by letter, 2; excluded, 7; died, 1; net gain for the year, 51; Total present membership, 162.

#### TUNI FIELD.

Our devoted brother Currie still continues to prosecute the work on this somewhat hard field. Regarding the prospect he thus writes:—"The number of additions during the year has been greater than in any previous one, and the prospect of future increase is good. The work has been hindered somewhat by sickness both in the mission family and among our native assistants. *Francis*, one of our preachers, and another aged member of our church, have been removed by death, and one of our first converts had to be excluded on account of unworthy conduct. Yet, notwithstanding these losses the year has been the most satisfactory one since the opening of the station."

*Station Work.*—By having been able to erect a chapel, changes have been made as to the place of holding religious services. The result has been a large attendance, both at the Sabbath School, and at the preaching service. On Sabbath evening your missionary with his associates takes the opportunity of preaching in the Tunni market-place, where, as a rule, they have large audiences, made up chiefly of people from the villages, who come to attend the weekly fair. It is to be hoped that the precious seed thus sown may spring up and soon be an abundant harvest.

Three houses, including the chapel, and a portion of the compound wall have been built, and much has been done toward levelling the compound.

*Touring.*—Regarding this department of the work, your missionary says:—"We have devoted as much time as could be spared from other duties to this important branch of the work, and with no small amount of encouragement and satisfaction. In many sections visited marked attention has been given to the preaching of the Word, and there seems to be throughout the district a growing interest in Christian truth. The attitude of the people towards Christianity seems to have become more favorable within two or three years, and the readiness of very many to listen and assent to the Truth is a most cheering and hopeful indication."

Fourteen tours have been made during the year. This does not include many journeys made by the native preachers, unaccompanied by Brother Currie.

*Native preachers.*—Abel has done good work as a preacher. He manifests a very good spirit, and seems willing to do his utmost towards spreading a knowledge of the Truth.

*Francis*, though aged and somewhat feeble, did what he could of evangelistic work until disabled by his last illness. He died last January. This left the field with but one native preacher. Some time ago another named Malliah was employed who seems to be a man devoted to his work, earnestly striving to bring his countrymen to Christ, and the Lord is blessing him in his efforts.

Last June another man, named *William* who came well recommended was taken into the service as a preacher. If he should appear well-fitted for the work he will be retained permanently.

*Bible Work* has been prosecuted in different parts of

the field with a greater or less degree of success. Three of the native Christian women have given more or less of their time during the past twelve months to this department of labor.

**Statistics.**—Baptized during the year, 14; received by experience and letter, 4; restored, 1; excluded, 1; died, 2. Present membership, 27.

#### AKIDU FIELD.

Brother Craig has labored on this promising field, during the year under review, with his accustomed energy and success. Your missionary states that his "Report is not a record of brilliant exploits or startling events, but only a review of what has been done, in a quiet way, for the Master's glory, during the past twelve months."

**Building.**—In this department of labor, Brother Craig reports the completion of the Mission House, the total cost being \$2,900; also the erection of a chapel at a cost of about \$300, not including the value of material used from the old home, part of which was taken down, the remaining part being fitted up into four native houses for mission helpers. Building has been found expensive in Akidu, as brick, lime, and sand had to be carried a distance of forty miles, involving an outlay of \$500 to boatmen alone.

After the chapel was completed, interesting opening services were held on the 4th of June, when Brother McLaurin preached a dedication sermon.

**Station Work.**—Since moving into the new Mission House, many natives have called to see Brother Craig, some to see the building, and others to get medicine. He seldom allows any one to leave without telling of Jesus, the Saviour of the lost. A number of times, he says, "I gathered all the work people together, and had service with the n. Among them were Mohammedans, Shudras and Malas." There are two Mala hamlets in Akidu, in which the Gospel has often been preached. From the larger one of them a man has been baptized, and from the other a woman has united with the Church. Many more, it is hoped, will very soon follow. To other classes also the Gospel has been preached, sometimes meeting with opposition, but more frequently with what is about as bad, *indifference*. Still, the people do not seem satisfied with their own religion.

On Sabbath morning, the Sabbath School service is immediately followed by preaching, and another service is held in the afternoon, so as to give time in the evening for preaching in the village. On Thursday evening the regular weekly prayer meeting is held. A monthly meeting of the Church is held for observing the Lord's Supper, and the transaction of business. New converts are often received on these occasions. Of course, these meetings are only held when Brother Craig is home at the station.

**Touring.**—This part of the report we will give in the language of the missionary himself:—"As soon as my building work was done, I went to Cocanada for a change, and, after a brief stay there, I returned to Akidu on the mission boat, remained at home a few days, and then set out for Colair Lake. The water was so low that I was compelled to leave the boat, and go on to Gunnanapudy by palankeen. On Sunday, the 30th of October, we had a good meeting there. During the following week I visited Peyyairu, a few miles south of Gunnanapudy. Fifty-five were baptized there, all but two being residents of the place. Afterwards I visited Dondapadu, a large village a few miles to the west of Peyyairu. There some trouble occurred over a school-house site. I then visited ten villages where we have Christians, and six where there are none. Being detained on the south-west

side of my field, I was not able to visit the northern side, as Brother Timpany was waiting for the boat. Soon after our Conference in January, I started out for the south-west side of my field again, but this time with a tent. I visited, in all, twenty-eight villages, but had my tent pitched in only eight of them. In three others I put up in the village school house, and in another I stayed at the public bungalow. Seven of the twenty-eight villages I had not seen before. I left Akidu the last day of January and returned the 1st day of March, so that I spent the whole of February on this tour.

In March, I went to Cocanada on Mission business. In April, I made a short tour on the northern half of my field. I visited a number of Christian villages that I was very anxious to see, as they had not been visited for a long time. In some of them, I pitched my tent, and remained three or four days. The weather was very hot, otherwise I might have made a more extended tour."

**Preachers.**—Of these eight have been employed, some for the whole, and others for part of the year. They have, as a rule, done good, faithful work, but are all sadly in need of further instruction and training. "Hence, it is a matter of great joy that the Seminary at Samulcotta will soon be open for the reception of students."

**Bible Work.**—Quite a number of Scripture portions and copies of the New Testament have been sold; and fifty-six copies have been given as rewards for reciting from memory the Sermon on the Mount. Regarding Bible supplies, Brother Craig says:—"Although we are not fully supplied with Scripture portions, we have reason to thank God that at last we have obtained a Telugu New Testament, which we can circulate without hurting our consciences. This boon has come to us through the generosity of the 'American and Foreign Bible Society.'"

**Village Schools.**—Of these fourteen have been in operation during the year, with an average attendance, in all, of 120 boys, and 55 girls. Lately, three new schools have been started, with an average attendance of 30 boys, and 9 girls. Brother Craig says:—"The good done by these little schools does not all appear at once, but yet it is something to go to a village, and find among those who were once ignorant Malas a number of boys and girls who can read and write. God's Word lies open to them, without the help of a preacher. Moreover, the older people are taught some good hymns by the school-teacher, who also instructs them in God's Word, and conducts worship on Sunday. These schools are all partly supported by the people of the different villages."

On this field, as on the Cocanada field, the duty of self-support is pressed upon the Christian people, and, on the whole, real progress has been made in this direction, some of the Churches raising as much as Rs. 80 during the past year.

**New Mission Boat.**—Much inconvenience has been felt at times by having only one Mission Boat for the Cocanada and Akidu fields. Your Board is glad to be able to say that this is now a matter of the past. Brother Craig says:—"I have the pleasure of telling you that a boat for Akidu has been built at Cocanada. The new boat is just about the same size as the *Canadian*, and will look very much like it." Its cost is about \$750. It will be known as the *T. S. Shenston*, being named after our worthy President. It is hereby presented to our Foreign Mission Society for work on the Akidu field.

We should thank God for every building we succeed in erecting, every tent we buy, and every boat we build, because without these material appliances we cannot make the most of our time, and, in fact, some of them are

actually necessary to our existence in India." Your Board does not know what kind friend furnished the money for building the mission boat, *T. S. Shenston*, but is satisfied that it is one whose prayer is heard, and whose alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God.

STATISTICS.—Baptized, 238; received, 8; excluded, 29 dismissed, 2; died, 7. Present number, 725. In the case of most of those excluded, Bro. Craig states that *drunk* was the cause.

#### THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Bro. McLaurin under date of July 1st writes:—"We arrived at Cocanada on the 17th of March. The following day brethren Timpany, Craig and myself visited Samulcotta and saw the house. I must confess I was disappointed, not with the situation—that is good—neither with Samulcotta—that is all right; but with the house and the state of dilapidation in which we found it.

The tiled roof was falling in and had broken the two side walls and adjoining veranda pillars, the rafters having spread out at the bottom. The value of the materials of the old roof in making the new did not amount to Rs. 150. The broken walls had to be demolished and rebuilt, while the roof had to be entirely new and the greater part of the whole re-plastered.

Besides all the old out-houses were piles of ruins—and some at least would be required. A cook-house is a necessity and two dormitories are required for students immediately on opening the school.

The appropriation on estimate for repairing and re-modelling this house—erecting out-buildings and accommodation for 25 students, with their support for six months, was \$1,000. This estimate should have been not one cent less than \$2,000, to cover buildings and support of school till January, 1883."

Your Board regrets that there should be such a discrepancy between estimate and expenditure. This would not have arisen, had all the facts been before the Board when the item passed.

Bro. McLaurin had to borrow \$400 to finish the building. Then \$600 are required to support the school for the six months ending 1st January, 1883, making a total of \$1,000. All that can now be done is to have this passed as an item in next year's estimates.

B-fore this date the house is finished and the school opened. From it, as a *factor* in the evangelization of the Teluzu people, we expect much.

In reviewing the results of the year's labor, your Board sees much for which to thank the God of Missions and much reason for encouragement as to future efforts. Never in the history of the Mission, has the finger of God more clearly pointed out to the Society the duty of going forward. Never had our Foreign Mission so deep a hold on the Baptists of Canada as at this hour.

True, we have closed with a deficit of about \$900, but on the other hand, for the fiscal year ending October 15th, there has been received into our treasury the sum of \$10,796 75, being \$3,063 96 over last year, and \$1,817 08 over the receipts for any year during the existence of the Society. In the Foreign Department the year has been one of great success. *Two hundred and ninety-two* have been brought out of heathen darkness and baptized on profession of faith in Christ. Our missionaries feel that one great lack in the prosecution of the work, has been supplied by the opening of the Theological Seminary in Samulcotta.

Miss Frith's appointment as a Zenana worker is also a matter of encouragement, as one to take charge of this department of labour had become a necessity. And now

your Board, in resigning its trust, would commend the Mission with all its interests to the care of Him who gave the command, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," and who, for the encouragement of His people, gave the cheering promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES COUTTS, *Secretary.*

#### Women's Baptist F. M. Society of Ontario.

The sixth annual meeting took place in the First Baptist Church, Brantford, on the 13th of October, occupied both morning and afternoon, and was in every respect a most successful gathering. A very large number of delegates from the Circles and visitors were present, and the generous hospitality of the kind sisters of Brantford must have been taxed to the utmost. The following ladies were nominated and elected as the Executive Board for the ensuing year:—*President*, Mrs. Freeland; *Vice-Presidents*, Mrs. J. H. Castle, Mrs. H. J. Rose; *Recording Secretary*, Miss Dexter; *Corresponding Secretary*, Mrs. J. E. Wells; *Treasurer*, Miss Lloyd; *Members*, Mesdames Thompson and Raymond, Guelph; Carfrae, London; Porter, St. Catharines; T. S. Shenston, Brantford; J. Evans, Hamilton; W. Craig, jr., Port Hope; J. J. Baker, Fonthill; Miss Randall, Paris; Mesdames, H. H. Humphrey, T. D. Craig, S. A. Dyke, N. W. Speller, Holmes, T. Stewart, Toronto. The reports of the Board are published in full. The papers and addresses were all of a very high order of merit.

A public platform meeting in the evening under the auspices of the Brantford circles closed the proceedings of a day long to be remembered.

#### RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

It is our duty to lay before you an account of the business transacted by your Executive Board during the past year.

The meetings have been held regularly; the non-resident members have been informed of important business transacted.

At a special meeting held in November to consider the estimates and to make the appropriations for the year, it was decided to undertake the following—the money to be sent to India semi-annually in advance. *Cocanada*—Girls' school \$500; village teacher \$75; Bible woman \$50. *Luni* School \$100; Bible woman \$50. *Akidu*—Village school \$200; books, etc., \$25. You will observe that \$50 more was given to each school than in the previous year. There was also sent to India \$25 specially subscribed by one of the London circles to support a young man for one year in the new Theological School at Samulcotta.

At the first regular quarterly meeting in January a very important matter came before the Board. The Board, and no doubt all the members of the society, had been anxiously waiting for the time when they might undertake to send out a lady missionary especially to engage in Zenana work. The Quebec society were anxious to assist in this important undertaking, and signified their willingness to bear part of the expense should a suitable lady be found. We all felt that we *must* send a Zenana worker to India. At the January meeting the application of Miss Frith, of Montreal, was considered, and your Board, after a long and earnest discussion, unanimously

decided to recommend her to the General Board for appointment; the expenses of the journey and outfit and the salary to be assumed by the women's societies of Quebec and Ontario.

At our next meeting a report of the action taken by the General Board was received. The following is a copy of the resolution passed at a special meeting of the General Board held on the 14th of March: (See Mr. Coult's report.—E.D.)

The appointment of our missionary has been one of the most important items of business transacted during the year, and having pledged our society for a part of her support we must endeavour to fulfil our obligation. We did hope that Miss Frith would have been present at this meeting, but as you are no doubt aware she had to leave some weeks earlier than we expected. What we have for some time desired is now an accomplished fact, we have a lady missionary appointed to work among the Zenanas. May she be wise to win souls for Christ.

The Corresponding Secretary has laid before us a number of letters from Circles, they have in almost every case been most encouraging, the Circles doing well and found to be a means of good to the individual members.

Seven new Circles have been formed; St. George, Hamilton, St. Thomas, Ailsa Craig, Beverley St. Toronto, Delhi and Belfontaine.

Eight new Mission Bands have been reported: Sparta, Goble's Corners, Sarnia, Hartford, Wingham, Port Hope, Courtright, and Moore. We would like to report a greater number of bands. Cannot every one here to-day connected with a church where there is no band, try to organize one and in that way interest the children in Foreign Missions? If you are connected with a church that has no Mission Circle, you may find material available to organize and sustain a juvenile Mission Band.

Mrs. McConnell; Mrs. Laing, Sparta; Mrs. McLaurin, India; Miss A. Davies, Mrs. J. Lewis, Toronto; and Mrs. Dawley, Guelph, have been added to the list of life members.

During the year one of our life members, Mrs. Coult's has been removed by death.

We were sorry to be compelled last June to accept the resignation of our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Humphrey. She has ably filled this office ever since the organization of the Society.

Mrs. Laird, a member of the Board for some years, also tendered her resignation owing to other duties, making it impossible for her to attend the meetings.

Interesting and encouraging letters from the Missionaries have been received, most of which have been published in the LINK.

We cannot close this report without recording our deep sense of the obligation we are under to the ladies who expend so much time and labour on our paper. The MISSIONARY LINK is a great success, and to the ladies who so efficiently conduct it the thanks of the Board are tendered.

Such is an outline of the work of your Executive during the year. They feel grateful to the individual members of the different Circles that they have so ably endorsed their actions by their contributions, and would bespeak for your officers who shall be chosen for the coming year, the same hearty co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

E. DEXTER, Rec. Sec.

#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

In reading the reports of the Circles of Ontario for the

year just past, it is very gratifying to note the advance the cause has made during that time.

A number of new Circles have been formed both East and West, indicating that the missionary interest is not confined to one section.

Some Circles which had almost ceased to exist have revived with fresh vigor.

The children, too, have been doing wonders. Here, and there bands have been formed, and great interest taken by the members. What an educating power is the Mission Band! By it the children hear of the state of the heathen, and learn to be thoughtful, to be self-denying, to give systematically, for others. They learn that they have duties to perform and a debt of love to pay, not only to those in the home circle and in school, but to boys and girls far off in another part of the world. This broadens their ideas, teaches them to consider the cause of the difference in condition between the women of their own land and those in India. Thus they are led to think of Christ's great work for the human race, of the civilizing and elevating influence that permeates all classes and conditions of men where His love abounds.

The appointment and departure of Miss Frith to the Zenana field is a great step forward.

For a long time, as you all know, we have been looking forward to the day when we should have our own Zenana worker—one who would make it her life-work to teach the women of India to be women, to be what God intended them to be, helpmeets to their husbands, not their slaves. What the story of Christ's love has done for the women of Canada that it can do for the women of India.

The day has come and Miss Frith is on her way. May our Father bless her and make her a blessing.

From a letter from Mrs. McLaurin to the President of our Society, we find there is plenty of work awaiting Miss Frith. She says:—

"I have been calling to-day on a caste family, one of my old houses, where Miss Frith will have two or three nice pupils. They are quite eager for her arrival, chiefly that they may learn fancy work! Well, we must take them poor people as we find them, and I hope Miss Frith is an adept at crochet, wool-work and knitting, for she is certain to be besieged with requests to be taught. This man, at whose house I was to-day, said he would introduce Miss Frith to many friends of his (his own idea), and I have two or three other invitations for her. I believe a most interesting work will open up before her. I wait, as we all do, with great interest to see it begun, but we must give her time to learn the language thoroughly." \* \* \* "She is not inexperienced. She has made a worthy name and place for herself in a similar work at home. I believe she will be successful here." \* \* \* There are a few of our Circles which need a little encouragement. Let these have our sympathies and prayers. But the greater number have sent in most cheering reports.

The women of Ontario are not satisfied with the progress already made, and never will be until our sisters in the East need no more help. If every woman would but acknowledge the responsibility God has placed on her by making her know the condition of those in the East, and do with her might what she can, be it much or little, how soon would the women of India be raised to the dignity of true Christian womanhood. \* \* \*

[For list of Circles see Treasurer's Report. The Foreign letters are held over.—E.D.]

F. A. WELLS, Cor. Sec.

Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario, in Account with J. M. Lloyd. Treas.

From October 15th, 1881 to October 5th, 1882.

RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.
Alexander Street..... \$163 05	Sent to India, per D. Craig,
Yorkville..... 66 40	Esq., Treasurer for Foreign
Aylmer..... 11 25	Missions..... \$500 00
Cheltenham..... 25 00	Oceanade Girls' School..... 50 00
Peterboro..... 44 20	" Bible Woman..... 50 00
Paris..... 162 62	" Village Schools..... 75 00
Brantford..... 88 60	" Books, Tracts, &c..... 25 00
Thedford..... 27 00	Tuni School..... 100 00
Stratford..... 23 00	" Bible Woman..... 60 00
Port Hope..... 71 51	Akidu Village Schools..... 200 00
Guelph..... 87 00	" Books, Tracts, &c..... 25 00
Denfield..... 19 00	Mrs McLauin's Passage
Timpany's Grove..... 3 00	Money..... 600 00
Ingersoll..... 40 92	Special to support a Na-
Port Burwell..... 4 75	tive at Seminary..... 25 00
Strathroy..... 40 00	Miss Frith's on St..... 125 00
College St..... 21 00	" Passage to In-
Whitby, 8th Con..... 7 00	dia..... 275 00
London (York St.)..... 60 00	" First quarter's
(Adelaide St.)..... 47 00	salary..... 125 00
Beamsville..... 12 57	Mr Timpany's Church Bell..... 12 15
Woodstock..... 79 00	Expenses at home..... 44 89
Parliament St..... 37 25	Balance in Bank..... 1500 69
Belleville..... 25 21	Balance in hand..... 26 33
Kincardine..... 5 00	
Georgetown..... 12 75	
Sarnia..... 113 91	
Sparta..... 58 00	
Simcoe..... 7 20	
Jarvis St..... 102 14	
*Goble's Corners..... 56 76	
Smith Township..... 22 00	
Rondeau..... 8 25	
Uxbridge..... 10 45	
Drumbo..... 8 25	
Lakofield..... 14 35	
Wyoming..... 19 00	
Whitevale..... 13 00	
Brantford (East Ward)..... 50 27	
Courtright and Moore..... 14 00	
Port Rowan..... 10 00	
Beverly St..... 20 85	
Hamilton..... 98 23	
Rt George..... 35 00	
St Thomas..... 31 83	
Alisa Craig..... 6 00	
Delhi..... 20 00	
St Catharines..... 64 00	
Special Contributions..... 112 00	
Profits of Lux (Share for Ontario) \$50 88, (for Manitoba) \$2 07..... 52 95	
Bank Interest..... 22 00	
Balance, Oct. 15th 1881..... 1324 70	
Total for 1882..... 2223 92	

\$3544 02

\$3548 62

Audited and found correct, Oct. 9th, 1882

T D CRAIG,  
H E BUCHAN.

\*\$20 76 was collected at Brant Association

Amounts received since the books were closed.

London (Talbot St.).....	\$63 00
Hamilton.....	23 32
Woodstock.....	18 00
Dundas.....	20 00
Queen Street, Toronto.....	10 00
	\$129 32
	1417 08

Making a total on hand October 13th, of \$1546 40

JESSIE M. LLOYD, Treasurer.

SUPPLEMENT TO TREASURER'S REPORT.

Amounts Contributed by Mission Bands—Alexander St., Toronto, \$69.10; Port Burwell, \$1 25; Paris, \$12.09; Woodstock, \$12.30, Port Hope, \$15 51; Brantford, (East Ward), \$19.92. Sarnia, \$5; Brantford (First Church), \$75; London (Adelaide St.) \$10. Total, \$220.17.

Raised by Mission Quilts.—Paris, \$51; Sarnia, \$30.15;

St. Catharines, \$28.25; Guelph, \$25; Thedford, \$24; Parliament St., Toronto, \$13.50; Brantford (East Ward) \$10; Delhi, \$7; Sparta, \$25. Total, \$213.90.

Special Contributions for Miss Frith.—Jarvis Street, Toronto, \$29.90; Beamsville, \$12.57; Belleville, \$10; Paris, \$28.35; Mrs. Mann, Bridgenorth, \$5; Coll. at Associational meeting at Brantford, \$20.76. Total, \$106 58.

Special for Samulcotta Seminary.—Thedford, \$24; Alexander St. M. B, \$10.60; Sarnia, \$5. Total, \$39.60.

J. M. L.

Women's Baptist F. M. Society Convention East.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING of this society was held in the Olivet Church, Montreal, on Thursday afternoon, October 12th. Representatives from the circles of Ottawa, Coaticook, Barnston, St. Andrews, First and Olivet Churches, Montreal, were present. Appropriations for the coming year were voted to Rev. Mr. Timpany, the new girls' school at Akidu and Miss Frith. Earnest addresses were delivered and the following ladies elected as the Board for the coming year. Mrs. Clark, *President*; Mrs. Payne and Mrs. D. R. McLaren, *Vice-Presidents*; Mrs. Bentley, *Recording-Secretary*; Mrs. Frank Smith, *Treasurer*; Miss Muir, *Cor.-Sec.* *Executive Board*—Mes-dames T. O. Phillips, Putney, Kennedy, H. Wadsworth, Claxton, Turnbull, G. B. Muir, Brown, Tester, Graffey, Ayer, Whitham, Alloway, Wm. Muir, Miss Green, Mrs. Moyle, St. Andrews; Mrs. Alexander, Brockville; Mrs. Cameron, Ottawa; Mrs. G. Edwards, Thurso; Mrs. Parker, Coaticook. Tea was served in the vestry, and a public platform meeting brought to a close the most successful annual gathering ever held by this society.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The quarterly meetings of the Executive Board have been held regularly during the year, and there has been one special meeting. The attendance has been as follows:—Number of ladies comprising the Board, including officers, 23; largest attendance, 14; smallest, 6; average, 9. Three Circles have been organized during the past year, namely, one at Cumberland, one at Beebe, and one at Roxboro, making in all 22 Circles in connection with this Society. They are located as follows:—Ottawa, Hull, Cumberland, Thurso, Clarence, St. Andrew's, Osgoode, Ormond, Perth, Brockville, Cornwall, Inverness, Sawyerville. Coaticoke, Barnston, Magog, Abbott's Corners, Dalesville, Roxboro, Beebe Plain, Olivet, and First Baptist Church.

Interesting communications have been received at the various Board meetings from these Circles, giving us facts which show they are actuated by the true missionary spirit, in seeking to carry on their work, many being located in thinly populated districts, have to travel long distances to attend meetings, thus sacrificing their ease and comfort. They have met together and collected large amounts for our Mission Treasury, and have thus enabled the Board to meet their obligations. We would strongly urge upon the Circles the advisability of making half-yearly payments, during the next year—namely, in February and September, so that the Board may be in a position to send the appropriations for Missionaries in advance.

One life member has been elected this year, making in

all 35 life members elected since the foundation of this Society.

The most important event in connection with the work of the Society for the past year, was the appointment of our sister, Miss Frith, as a Zenana worker in Cocanada. Her application was received in December last, and after due consideration, received the unanimous and hearty approval of both the ladies Eastern and Western Boards. Her application was forwarded to the General Board in Toronto, and they gladly appointed her to go out as a Missionary this Fall; and on September 2nd she bade farewell to home and friends, and sailed for India with a full heart of love to spend her life in the cause of Christ among the benighted Telugus. This should add new interest and zeal to all our Circles for the future, since one of our own members has voluntarily given herself to the work that should be dear to all hearts, because it is done for Christ's sake.

At the last annual meeting the sums of \$500 towards the salary of Rev. Mr. Timpany, and \$200 for Zenana work in Cocanada, were appropriated, and we are happy to say that both amounts have been paid; also, the sum of \$125 was appropriated to the outfit of Miss Frith, and \$250 towards her expenses in going to India.

Looking back upon the year just closed, we must all realize that the work in which we are engaged claims our earnest and most zealous efforts. In sending out our sister, Miss Frith, we have added another link to the chain which binds our hearts to the noble band of missionaries in our Canadian Telugu Mission; and let us hope that in the coming year, while they are labouring in far off India, amid so many discouragements, it may be said of the Christian women of Canada, "They have done what they could." Respectfully submitted,

S. BENTLEY, Secretary.

Treasurer's Report for year ending Oct. 12th, 1882.

INCOME.		
To Balance from last year		\$417 71
" Olives Mission Circle and Cheerful Workers, (Includ- ing \$57 special for Miss Frith)	\$291 56	
" First Church B School and Mission Circle	132 58	
" Ottawa (including \$50 towards Miss Frith's passage)	120 90	
" " Hull branch, special for Miss Frith	10 00	
" Onegoode (including \$50 special for Miss Frith)	63 50	
" Thurso	60 32	
" Cornwall (including \$5 special for Miss Frith)	35 00	
" Daleville	20 00	
" Perth	20 00	
" Coatsdoke and Barford	20 50	
" " Little Allie's Money Box, special for Mr. McLaurin	5 00	
" Abbott's Corners	25 00	
" Barnston	25 00	
" Sawyerville	34 00	
" St. Andrew's	22 20	
" Inverness	20 00	
" Magog	20 00	
" Clarence	7 00	
" Cumberland	6 50	
" Beebe Plain	6 00	
" Interest from October 31st to December 31st, 1881.	04	
" Proportion of profits of MISSIONARY LINK.	14 15	
	\$358 45	
	\$1370 16	
EXPENDITURE.		
To T. D. Craig, Esq., Toronto		
Mr. Timpany's Salary	\$600 00	
Zenana Work	200 00	
Miss Frith's outfit and passage	575 00	
	\$1075 00	
Draft Charges	2 39	
Postage	4 65	
	\$1082 04	
Balance in hand	294 12	
Examined and found correct,	\$1376 16	
L. H. PACKARD, Auditor.		

M. A. SMITH, Treasurer.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

At the close of this our sixth year's work, we have to thank our Heavenly Father for the abundant way in which he has blessed such feeble efforts as ours. There is no sign of weariness or coldness in the work, but from all the Circles, with one or two exceptions, comes the cheering assurance of pleasure in it, and an earnest desire to do more. This spirit of love and zeal we gratefully acknowledge as one of the gifts Christ brought to men, and which He loves to give his children, and we as a society must ever thank Him that He inclined our hearts to sympathize and work in this cause. The work in most places is being faithfully carried on, often amid some difficulties, foremost of which is the impossibility of getting many to attend the monthly meetings, and of making these gatherings interesting. The Exchange Drawer which Mrs. Freeland has kindly undertaken has been a great help in this, and thanks to some of our American friends, a much larger number of articles suitable for Circle Meetings have been circulated. There can be no doubt that the Telugu Mission is taking a deeper hold upon the women in our churches and that the number who feel their responsibility with regard to it is increasing. We have to report three new Circles begun this year: one at Cumberland, Roxboro', and Beebe Plain—making a total of 23. There is also a faint stirring of interest in some places where there ought to have been Circles years ago. We hope soon to hear of them wishing to join us and proving efficient helpers.

How much still remains to be done before we have a Circle in every church, which ought to be, for there is no church so feeble but that a few of the sisters can unite to send something for the conversion of Telugu women. How much then of the work we might undertake to provide for, if we women only tried and gave our hearts to it! There is no reason why we should not furnish half of the means necessary for the carrying on of the Mission, if we did what we could.

We have this year had the pleasure of sending out our own missionary, who is to devote her whole time to work for Telugu women. This event so long wished for and eagerly looked forward to, has at last come, and we bow our hearts in gratitude to God who has granted our prayer, and in putting it into Miss Frith's heart to go and giving us the means to send her. The work she is to undertake is a very important one and we must ever bear her up in our prayers, that God would abundantly fit her for it, and give her the hearts of those she shall teach.

The *Missionary Link* continues to be the most important help we have in keeping up the interest in the different Circles, supplying as it does such constant news from all the workers in the field. If we could only get it introduced into all the churches, the way would soon be opened for the formation of Circles. We feel grateful to the missionaries, that they so constantly remember us here, and write so often for our instruction and encouragement. Their letters contain most encouraging reports of the progress of the work among the Telugus—40 baptized in Cocanada and 238 in the Akidu field last year. The way is opening on all sides for workers to go in and gather the harvest.

This summer I had the pleasure of visiting and addressing five Circles, in the interests of the Society. I was much encouraged by the hearty manner I was received and the warm interest manifested in our Foreign Mission. Many were the testimonies borne of the good the Mission Circle had done, in drawing the ladies of



the congregation together, and in awakening their sympathies in all work for Christ.

The Mission needs the sympathy and hearty co-operation of all, for the amount required this year is larger than ever before. We would earnestly ask those already interested, to do their utmost to interest others—to try and win some one else to help in the work. Let us remember also that God alone can bless our efforts; it is He who moves the heart to unselfish labor, and may our constant prayer be, that He will so move the hearts of Christians at home to give to this cause, that the hands of the missionaries may be strengthened, and that we by our lack of interest may not be the hindrance in the way, for the extension of the work.

Our hope is in God, that He will graciously bless all our churches with the true missionary spirit, so that we may be strong to do the Lord's work.

On behalf of the Board.

AMELIA MUIR.

### Notes.

WORK FOR THE CIRCLES OF ONTARIO FOR 1883.—At a meeting of the Central Board, held immediately after the annual meeting at Brantford, it was voted to send \$500 immediately for the Samulcotta Seminary; to provide half of Miss Frith's salary of \$500, and half of any additional expense she might have in acquiring the language, etc. The following items were also selected from the "Estimates," as those for which the Board pledged the support of the Society: *Cocanada*—Girls' School, \$400; other schools, \$250; Bible woman, \$50; Books and Tracts, \$25. Total for *Cocanada*, \$725. *Tuni*—School, \$100; Bible work, \$30. *Akidu*—Village Schools, \$300; Books and Tracts, \$70.

THE LINK.—With deep gratitude to God, the managers of the LINK are again enabled to report to those friends who so kindly assist in promoting its circulation, that, after paying all expenses and retaining a sufficient amount to carry the paper on to the end of the fifth volume, they have divided \$100 among the Women's Societies, in proportion to the number of subscribers from each, as follows:—Ontario and Manitoba \$53.65; Convention East, \$14.15; Nova Scotia, \$23.13; New Brunswick, \$7.85; Prince Edward Island, \$1.22.

GIFT FROM REV. J. CRAIG, OF AKIDU, INDIA.—At the annual meeting in Brantford, the President stated that Mr. Craig wished to present every Circle with a copy of Miss Havergal's beautiful little book, "Kept for the Master's Use," and that as soon as the Standard Publishing Co. had obtained a supply they would be distributed to the Secretaries of all the Circles which had contributed during the year. Mr. Craig had found a copy of this work among his late wife's treasures, and believed that a chapter from it would be both interesting and profitable reading for every Circle meeting. Mr. Craig's kind and generous thoughtfulness was much appreciated, and a vote of thanks passed for his gift.

FRUIT, ETC. FOR INDIA.—A. A. Ayer, Esq., of Montreal writes that any parcels or boxes for the Missionaries may be forwarded to him before the 1st of December next. Freight to Montreal to be prepaid. Freight from Montreal to India, two cents per lb, may be remitted to him. Everything should be tinned and sealed. Send nothing in glass.

HELD OVER.—Letters from Miss Frith, Mrs. Currie; Mr. McLaurin, and Mr. J. Craig have been received and will appear next month.

THE FOLLOWING LETTER enclosing six dollars was received by one of the Managers within the last few days:

Dear Madam,—Our little servant girl has been reading the Link for some time past, and is anxious to contribute a little towards spreading the Gospel in India. She handed me a dollar of her own free will, asking me to please send it to you for her. Please accept the enclosed and apply it as you think best.

Yours most sincerely, A FRIEND.

### THE EXCHANGE DRAWER.

The following manuscript papers have been kindly placed at our disposal for the use of the Circles. All who wish to avail themselves of these helps to Circle meetings can do so by sending a postal card to Mrs. M. Freeland, P. O. Box 8, Yorkville, naming the paper requested, which must be promptly returned.

"Reasons why we should make the monthly meetings interesting, with some hints as to the best means of doing so," Mrs. H. J. Rose; "Why we work," Mrs. J. J. Baker; "A day in Cocanada Mission House," Mrs. McLaurin; "Woman's work in Missions," Mrs. A. V. Timpany; "The condition of women in India," the late Mrs. J. Coult; "Some facts and figures about our Society," Mrs. M. Freeland; "Sketch of the W. M. A. Societies of the Lower Provinces," Mrs. W. H. Porter; "Our Sisters in India," Mrs. Armstrong; "Christian Activity," Miss J. M. Lloyd; "He shall have dominion from sea to sea," A Member of the Winnipeg Circle; "China and her Missions," Mrs. H. K. Gaffley; "Dawn of Day in the South Seas," Mrs. C. Alloway; "Missionary Colonization, as illustrated by the Hermannsburg Mission," Miss Muir.

For Mission Bands, "The Telugus and their Country," Katie McLaurin; "A Missionary Colloquy," Mrs. Fitch.

### WOMEN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO.

A. Acknowledgments from September 27th, to October 24th, 1882.

Delhi M. C., \$18; do. Mission Tids, \$7; Belleville M. C., \$4.40; Brantford (East Ward) M. C., \$2.35; do. do. Mission Band, \$19.92; do. (1st Church) M. C., \$38; do. do. Mission Band, \$75 (one year's salary of Miss Priscilla Bejpa, a Eurasian teacher); Thorold M. C., \$3; do. (Mission Quilt), \$24; Alexander-st. M. C., \$25.72; Stratford do. \$15; Denford do. \$9.55; St. Catherine's do. \$7; St. George do., \$13; Barrie do., \$27.70; do. (Mission Quilt), \$20.15; do. do. Band, \$5; do. a friend, \$2.15; (Special for Miss Frith), \$3.80; Drumbo do. \$3.25; Jarvis-st. do. \$37.66; do. (Special for Miss Frith), \$3; Beauville (Special for Miss Frith), \$12.07; St. Thomas M. C., \$11; Courtwright and Moore do., \$10; Ouelph do., \$27; do. (Mission Quilt, to make Mrs. Dawley a life member), \$25; Port Hope M. C., \$16; Kincardine do., \$5; Parliament-st. do., \$3.75; do. (Mission Quilt), \$13.50; London (Adelaide-st.) do., \$3; do. do. (Mission Band), \$10; Stratford M. C., \$23; Wyoming do., \$10; Erie do., \$15; do. (Mission Band), \$4.23; to go to Mr. McLaurin for Nancy; do. (Special for Miss Frith), \$23.36; Yorkville M. C., \$15.80; London (Talbot-st.) do., \$63; Hamilton do., \$23.32; Woodstock do., \$15; Dundas do., \$30; Queen-st., Toronto, do., \$10; Timpany's Grove do., \$7.50; Brooklin, Whitby, 6th Con. do., \$0; Mrs. Lewis Carter, Pt. Colborne (to become a life member), \$25; Mrs. E. E. McConnell, Callton, \$1; Mrs. Win. Jerney, Barrie, \$4.75; Miss Nellie Jones, do., 75c; Mrs. Crawford, do., \$1; Mrs. Thos. Burwater, \$1. Profits of "Link" (for Ontario), \$50.95; do. do. (Manitoba), \$2.07; Mrs. Isabella M. Soloy, 75c.—Total, \$375.02.

J. M. Lloyd, Treasurer.

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