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Subjects for Reading and Prayer-Match . Athabasca, North Africa. April : Caledonia, B.C., North India.

To the Parochial Secretaries, Toronto Diocesan W.A.:

You are respectfully reminded that the members' fees accompanied by the list of names, arranged as in the last report, and clearly written on one side of the paper only, must be sent to the Diocesan Treasurer during March.

As no Branch can be included in the reports unless the members' fees are paid, attention to this matter is absolutely necessary.

You will remember that it was decided by the vote of the last annual meeting that the plan fo. the branch reports, used in the Diocese of Huron, should be tried in this diocese this year. Forms will therefore shortly be sent to you which you are asked to fill in and return to me as promptly as possible. These will contain all the questions necessary to make a full report of the work of your branch for the year, and as soon as the forms are all returned they will be arranged and printed, to be distributed at the annual meeting. You will thus be able to see, not only the report of your branch, but of all the others, and the reading of the branch reports, which took up so much time, will be done away with. Unless the forms are filled in clearly and *returned promptly*, however, it will be impossible to carry out this scheme.

It is also important that the names of the delegates and visitors should be sent to me as soon as possible, so that the Reception Committee may make arrangements for those who desire hospitality. Careful attention to these details on the part of parochial officers will aid the Diocesan Board materially in making the seventh annual meeting successful.

EMILY CUMMINGS, Dio. Sec.

TORONTO DIOCESE.

AUXILIARY NOTES.

The seventh annual meeting will probably take place on April 20, and the Executive Committee are trying to arrange an attractive and helpful programme, details of which will be given next month.

It is expected that two Lady Missionaries from Japan will be with us on their way home to England, and will doubtless be able to tell us from practical experience of the work and needs of that country

Several subjects of importance to all the branches will be discussed. and it is hoped and expected that every delegate will come prepared to help in making these discussions useful, by stating briefly the feeling of her own particular branch in regard to the matter in hand

We have been very glad to welcome among us Mrs Sillitoe, president of the New Westmister, W. A., together with the Bishop, and to hear from both of them of the work among settlers, Indians and Chinese in that diocese. The great importance of having a native catechist at work among the Chinese will surely make the W. A. willing to guarantee the sum of \$250 per annum for the balance of the salary, in response to the Bishop's appeal. The necessity of a hospital for the Indians there is also likely, it is hoped, to bring contributions for so important an object.

The Branches will learn with regret that Hon. Miss Winifriede Sugden has suffered severly from the extreme cold after "boiling in India for ten years." It will, therefore, be necessary for her to postpone many of her meetings to a later date, when milder weather may be counted upon.

The Diocesan Treasurer requests that all money, or vouchers for money, may be sent to her as soon as possible, as it will be necessary to close her books shortly after Easter. As her report this year will be printed for distribution at the annual meeting, it will be impossible for her to enter money received at a later date.

Nearly 600 badges have already been sold in this diocese, and orders are still coming in rapidly.

The Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions have appointed Miss Jennie B. Smith a member of the Ontario W.A., as Medical Missionary in Japan in Miss Sherlock's place. Miss Smith has been trained in the Kingston Hospital with the intention of medical missionary work,

The arrangements at the Blackfoot Home for Girls are about to be altered by the substitution of Miss Dunlop, daughter of the late Prof. Dunlop, as assistant matron, in place of Miss Symonds, who takes other work under Mr. Tims. Miss Dunlop has offered herself for this post, and left Toronto on the evening of February 27th. That her work may be greatly blessed, will be the prayer of all W. A. members.

The Auxiliary contiues to pay \$300 per annum to Mr. Tims for matron, he making his own arrangements as to amount received by the matron and assistant matron. Miss Symonds, not being at work in the Home for Girls, refunded her railway journey money, in order that Miss Dunlop could be sent as quickly as could conveniently be done.

The quarterly meeting held at Cobourg on Feb. 1st, by invitation of that Branch, was a great success. Delegates were present from Port Hope, Bowmanville, Newcastle, Millbrook, Lakefield, Lindsay, Peterboro', seventeen visitors from Toronto, with many Cobourg friends made a large gathering.

Verbal reports were given by delegates as to the work and progress of their branches. Mrs. S. B. Wood gave an address upon *Enthusiasm*, which was warmly received, and a paper prepared by Mrs. Davidson, lately of Port Colbourne, and read by Mrs. Cummings, gave auch interesting information.

The Diocesan President, in addressing the meeting, asked the branches to remember that as a united society, each separate branch should contribute a definite sum yearly towards the various pledged objects of the Auxiliary. Thirty-four branches are giving nothing in this way, and if all helped, so much more work could easily be undertaken by the Toronto Diocesan Auxiliary. Tea was served to all visitors by the Cobourg Auxiliary, the arrangements being very complete. The school-house is a model of beauty and convenience. The evening missionary meeting was crowded, and the address given by Bishop Courtnay, of Nova Scotia, one never to be forgotten by his hearers. Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Kakasa, of Port Hope School, also spoke upon Mission work in Japan.

The hospitality and kindness of the Cobourg ladies to their many visitors will not readily be forgotten; and the interchange of ideas and discussions upon Auxiliary work will, we trust, bear much fruit in increased zeal in personal work, and renewed consecration to the Master's service.

Bishop Reeve, writing to some little Toronto girls who have tried to help the poor of the great Mackenzie River district, tells them that on the first of November, "It is winter here now, not very cold as yet, but snow has been on the ground for more than a month. Ice is drifting on the river which will soon be frozen over. The days are shortening fast, and it will soon be dark at 3 o'clock. The rabbits and Ptarmigan have put on their winter dress of white fur, most of the bears have gone to their dens to sleep through the winter, wolves will soon prowl round, but do not trouble us much. Our last mail came in August, and we scarcely hope for another until March. A long time not to hear of my children."

Children are wonderful helpers in Mission work when once shown the way, and willingly do a great deal of sewing, as was evidenced last week at the Central Room, when a large parcel was brought from St. Cyprian's "Mission Band." The editor of the LEAFLET happened to be present when the parcel was opened, and would like to tell the children that their work was really well done, especially two quilts, one made by several little girls, and one larger one, beautifully patched and quilted by Sarah Shooter, only 14 years of age. We hope the children will all take great pains to practice their singing, and be ready to take their share in the W. A. annual meeting in April by turning out in full strength to the children's evening.

Mr. Swainson, of the Blood Reserve, writes roost gratefully as to the immense benefit already felt from the new stove, the great kindness of Mr. Wilson, lately of the Shingwauk Home in sending \$25, of the children sending the contents of their "stove" mite box, and other friends who have sent to Miss Paterson donations towards completing the purchase of the stove, should cause all Auxiliary members to realize more and more each day the wonderful answers given in response to our daily prayer "Put into our hearts the things we should do and say to promote Thy glory, and further the object we have in hand."

DORCAS NOTES.

DORCAS ROOM 39, THE FORUM, Cor. Yonge and Gerrard Sts.—Branches are working for the following Missions :

Bowmanville, Lesser Slave Lake. Millbrook, Blackfoot Homes. St. Thomas, Onion Lake, June. Holy Trinity, G. F. S., outfit boy in Gordon School, May. Deer Park, outfit boy in Gordon School, April.

The following bales have been forwarded. All Saints', Gravenhurst, bale, Cobourg, Fort Alexander, bale and 80 lbs. groceries, Cobourg Juniors. ditto, toys, etc., St. James' Cathedral Young Ladies' Aux., Bracebridge, barrel and Xmas gifts: Lloydtown, Touchwood Hills, bale; St. Mark's, Parkdale, Red Deer, bale; Millbrook, per Arch. Mackay, bale; Ilfracombe, bale; Central Room, Hutton's Bay, box toys, Kinmount, box; Ivy, Central Room, box.

In answer to my appeal in *Canadian* and *Evangelical Churchman*, for funds to complete purchase of cooking stove, for St. Paul's Mission in the North-West, I have so far received \$9. Sixteen dollars is still required, so I trust our good friends have not yet exhausted all their resources. But not only has the money been very acceptable, but the kind words that accompanied the gifts have greatly cheered and encouraged us. I give you, as a sample, one of the letters I have received:

My Dear Miss Paterson, Last year, after hearing from the Bishop of Algoma, that stoves were one of the great needs in the Missionary homes, the children in my care set up a box labelled 'stoves,' for extra spare cents. But, on reading your appeal in *Evangelical*, they thought that it would take so long to buy a whole stove, that they would like to buy at least one of the 'lids' for the stove in which you are interested, so I enclose the amount that the box produced when opened, $\S_{3,03}$. Yours sincerely, A FRIEND TO THE MISSION WORK. I trust kind friends will follow this good example, and give us enough to buy the remaining "lids," with pots and pans thrown in.

Since writing the above, I have received a cheque for \$25 from the Rev. E. F. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie, and the following note:

Dear Miss Paterson,—I enclose you \$25 for the stove, or if someone else has paid for that, then let it go, please, towards defraying the \$100 debt on the Blood School. Yours sincerely, E. F. WILSON.

Let faith never grow weak, but remember, "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in My name, He will give it you."

People are in the habit of saying that the Indian is ungrateful, that he does not appreciate kindness. I think these same people would change their minds were they to see the box of beautiful gifts sent to our Central Room, by the Rev. F. Frost, and which are the handywork, and a freewill offering from the Indians of the Manitoulin Islands, to the members of the W.A., who have helped and clothed them, and so enabled them to withstand the severity and hardships of our winters, which always cause so much suffering to the poorly fed and clothed. The suggestion of makirg and sending us these gifts came from an ex-chief.

"John One Spot," and "Willie Crow-chief," two boys in the Sarcee Home, were greatly delighted with their outfits, sent them by the Springfield-on-Credit Branch, and they are going to write a letter of thanks to the branch. As they could only speak a word or two of English a year ago, I fancy their letters will be unique. I hope to have them for insertion in the April LEAFLET.

A letter received by Miss Paterson, Dorcas Secretary, from Sheguiandah, Manitoulin Island, says: "Your bale for Little Current arrived yesterday, for which many, many thanks. We are to have a tree, from which your kind gifts will be suspended. Will you be good enough to thank the Woman's Auxiliary of Toronto, and other places, for their goodness in providing these treats for the Little Current children, and they will not mind, I hope, if we take some of the dolls and candies for the white children of Sheguiandah. I hold service at Little Current every Sunday evening, having four services and catechising at one of the Indian stations. We have had two Xmas trees and given many of your presents. At one of our gatherings, an Indian chief rose to say he thought it would be nice if the Indians would work some small articles to send to their friends in Toronto. These things are on their way."

L. PATERSON, Dor. Sec.

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A packet of LEAFLETS posted without any address have been returned from the Dead Letter Office, to Miss Paterson, Dorcas Secretarp, 48 St. George Street. Will the secretary of the LEAFLET-less branch kindly send a post card to Miss Paterson, with the address, and the packet will at once be mailed, and will the branch please accept an apology from the Editor-in-chief for the unintentional carelessness of some unknown friend.

Mrs. Tansey, of Swan Lake, Manitoba, writes to Mrs. Williamson thus: "I trust you will excuse a stranger troubling you, but I am appealing on behalf of our mission. It is very large, there being six different places of service, three each Sunday, fifty miles driving one week, and thirty the next. The people are very poor, some have not sold one bushel of grain for years, having lost all by hail or frost. A number did not even raise their potatoes last year, and have only a few cattle to depend upon, which means a very poor maintenance, especially when there are children, and there are very many in this mission I do not like this long cold winter to pass without trying to do something for them, and shall be most grateful for help in any way, and shall be glad to answer any questions upon our work and its needs "

LESSER SLAVE LAKE, PEACE RIVER DISTRICT. Jan. 3, 1893.

Dear Miss Wallis,—When I tell you that it is now nearly three months since we had an opportunity of sending letters to the outside world, you will not be surprised that I have not been able to fulfil my promise ere this. I think, since Mrs. Holmes wrote to acknowledge the safe arrival of the bale, we have only had one out-going mail, and that was just at the time we were so busy fitting up the Boys' Home, consequently I was unable to take advantage of it. Before proceeding to give you a brief account of our school, I must again express our sincere gratitude for the beautiful warm clothing, also for the handsome wedding presents, sent us by the members of your branch of the W. A. Were it not for the kind help of the W.A. in Canada and the "Church Missionary Leaves," in England, we should not have been able to take in a single child this winter. So from such a statement, you may form some idea how dependent we are upon the help of ladies.

Owing to absence of the Indians at the fishery, and the difficulty we had in fitting up the Boys' Home, it was not until the first week in November that we were able to make a beginning. We had only nine scholars for a start, but now I am thankful to say we have 20, 18 boarders, and two day scholars. Mrs. Holmes has eight girls in the Mission House, and Mr. Muller, our new teacher, has ten boys in the Home—or rather in the house we are occupying as the Boys' Home, for the winter

As you may suppose, Mrs. Holmes has her hands quite full; the girls, though able to do a good many things for themselves, require constant attention. Some of them on entering, were, to use a mild expression, literally filthy. Some of their clothing we had either to burn or to bury in the snow. It is almost inconceivable how human beings can live in such a state. From our brief experience we find that it will be utterly impossible for Mrs. Holmes to do all the work in connection with the Girls' Home alone, besides all her other household duties, especially when the girls are removed into a separate building, as we hope they will next fall, for that reason she has already asked a lady friend in England to come out as assistant, the question of her salary we leave with Him who has promised to supply all our needs.

Mr. Muller, I am thankful to say, is getting on very well with the boys, he is a general favorite with the children, and I think they will make good progress under his tuition. It is almost astonishing the change that two months indoor training has made in these poor children. Both whites and Indians were quite surprised to see them at our Christmas festival. We are often surprised when catechising them, at the intelligent grasp of the truths they have heard either in church or at daily prayers. What we need so much is the power of the Hely Spirit to write those truths upon the tablets of their hearts. To the Peterborough W. A. From Mr. HOLMAS.

Huron Diocese.

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

It was with heartfelt pleasure that the news was received of the safe arrival of the Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin as far as Gibraltar, on their way to Egypt. Let the united prayers of the women of the Auxiliary be offered up on their behalf, that they may return to us once more invigorated and strengtened for the long life of future usefulness, which God grant, lies before them.

ECHOES FROM OUR ANNUAL.

Echo I A delegate writes : "It was so pleasant and profitable that we almost felt afraid that no future annual could be quite what this one was. Not that we were unduly exultant. Mrs. Tilton's wise, loving warning that though as yet our work has not been of a testing character, discouragements and apparent failure and disappointments may await us in the future, was the unspoken thought in many a heart, coupled with the fervent prayer that then, as now, we may 'go forward in faith and hope.' Our annual meetings are a great source of help and inspiration to the branches, giving us all 'new ideas' and useful suggestions. The presence of our Indian delegate from the brave little Munceytown Branch was a fact which imparted a new interest to our meeting, and was a happy augury for the future. Most welcome to many of us was Mrs. Whitehead's motion relative to the supplying of poor missions with linen and vessels suitable for the reverent administration of Holy Communion, and we hope a committee will speedily be formed to take charge of this new branch of our auxiliary work. Apropos of this Warwick Branch writes 'having seen in the LEAFLET that Lucan Branch paid twelve dollars for a surplice, we will undertake in the interest of our funds to make surplices for eight dollars.' One statement in the Recording Secretary's report created some surprise. Only 34 branches had contributed to Lion's Head; and yet the response to the Bishop's request that we would undertake this our first Diocesan Mission was so unanimous! Would it not be a good thing to urgently request every branch to contribute a fixed sum annually to Lion's Head ?..... The immense disparity in the number of members and the number of members' cards used was another disappointment, and shows that there are probably more Marthas than Maries among us. Pray and work must be our motto, and, may we all, presidents and delegates, while urging on our branches the laums of those who look to us for help, urge, first of all,

God's claim on us for prayer; let none of us ever forget that noontide prayer which literally 'Lips of thousands lift as from the heart of one.''

"Miss K. attended some of the meetings with me. She Echo 2. was most interested and astonished at the work that is being done, and more than delighted with all she heard. I think she will return home much helped and encouraged to work up a branch there. I, too, enjoyed the meetings so much." Echo 3. "We had the largest meeting we ever had, two new members and a number of visitors. All turned out to hear the reports of the delegates. They seemed much inter-ested. Our closing hymn was for the Bishop and Mrs. Baldwin, 'Eternal Father,' etc." Echo 4. Covered no less than nineteen carefully prepared sheets, which the writer, at the earnest request of your Editor kindly permitted her to read. If every delegate carries back such a complete and thorough record as that to her branch, who can estimate the happy results which must surely repay such a faithful discharge of the duty entrusted to her as its representative ? The last echoe comes from a message left with us by our President, embodied in her beautiful address. "When we separate let us not merely say what nice, interesting meetings we had, but rather let us ask God's help to consecrate ourselves anew with fresh vigor to rule service, ever ready to follow where He leads."

In connection with the proposition that the branches should endeavor to pledge themselves to a yearly offering to Algoma s Mission Fund, some most encouraging replies have been already received. All present will re...mber the enthusiasm aroused by Mrs. Shore's ready response on behalf of Ler own branch, Ailsa Craig. Mrs. Shore's writes in allucion to this. "Although it is our own wish and quite in accord with that of our fellow workers here, to continue the \$25 as a yearly subscription, yet it would perhaps be wiser at present to giveonly a distinct *promise for one year*." One can never be sure of what contingencies may occur to frustrate our best intentions, therefore, as this is a large and generous sum for a comparatively small branch, one cannot be surprised at its president's guarding against any possible "is," which may interfere with the fulfilment of a more permanent pledge.

In reference to that other generous offer, from Grace Church, Brantford, of $\$_{50}$ annually to the Education Fund with special reference to one of the now motherless daughters of the Rev. G. Cook, its President tells of a $\$_{10}$ contribution towards it being at once laid upon the table, at the first mention of the subject at their W. A. meeting, adding "is not that an encouragement?" Amongst the Branch notices will be seen that there are other generous intentions of helping the Education Committee to take steps at as early a moment as is possible to assist Mr. Cook in the education of at least one of his children. Many present at the annual meeting were touched by the graceful act: of Mrs. Chance, or Tyrconnel, in rising to move a vote of thanks "for the noble offer made by Grace Church, of Brantford." A word of hearty appreciation having reached her, Mrs. Chance replies: "II assure you that I felt happy in moving it, for if we cannot persuade people to do the most correct thing we ought to be thankful for the doing of the next best, and the persevering efforts made for the accomplishment of the very best, and the next best are worthy of all commendation."

Amongst the good suggestions emanating from the branches are the following: First, from St. Thomas: "When Mrs. Kains was in London there were several ladies speaking to her about maps needed for the meetings. Miss C. Van Buskirk, St. Thomas, would draw maps for whoever wished them at a moderate cost over material. On ordering state if required to be drawn on paper, cotton or window linen, "-proceeds for Mission purposes. The second suggestion is alluded to in our Echoes," but we wald also commend it to the consideration of our readers. Warwick Branch is fertile with excellent and practical ideas, and in carrying the same to good effect. Will Warwick tell the results of its effort in the matter of those military coats, etc. ?.....Our readers may remember the suggestions made some little time ago that Indian mottoes and texts, instead of the same in English, should be especially prepared as . gift cards for our Indian Missions. A member of St. Anne's Branch, Hellmuth College sends as specimens, three beautifully lettered, but otherwise not elaborate wall cards, the work of the few leisure moments of her neice, a worker at the celebrated Mildmay Deaconess Institute, England, the words chosen, For ye are all one in Christ Jesus," are severally in Cree, Ojibway, and Sioux. The St. Anne's Branch kindly encourages this little effort by a promise of a dozen similar cards. Why not every box to an Indian Mission contain some such gifts ? The Junior Branch at Preston in this connection deserves also special mention, for these dear children likewise have prepared Indian texts, prettily decorated with a view to their being pasted into small scrap books, to be made out of sample books, etc. No need to wait for Christmas time to send these suitable little reward books to our Indian schools. Now that our LEAFLET will, by the liberal provision made by our branches, reach the hands of many of our missionaries, we should be glad to get from them, chosen texts or mottos, with English words, and name of dialect appended for our young people to turn to good and useful account.

In connection with the work of the Rupert's Land Indian Industrial School, a smaller magazine called *The Aurora*, is now issued at the very low price of 25 cents, instead of their more expensive *Gleaner*. It would help our branches much to secure a copy for their monthly reading, as supplementary to their *Canadian Mission Magazine*, *Algoma Missionary News*, and their *indispensable LEAFLET*.

The Aurara thus mentions a band of King's Daughters formed by Miss Mellish amongst the Indian girls at Mr. Burman's Schools: "Under the guidance of Miss Mellish, meetings are held on Tuesday evenings for Bible and devotional reading, and on Thursdays for recreation. A badge is worn as a token of membership, but there are not wanting other signs that Miss Mellish's work is being blessed. We have noted with pleasure the improved behaviour of the girls during the last few months, and feel it is partly due to these meetings. We hope they may be continued." For Miss Mellish's token of sympathy in other work outside her own, and for a promise of a further extract from her interesting letter given below you are referred to page 107, February LEAFLET: "The work here is going on nicely. We have had, by the aid of our many kind friends in the East, a very happy Christmastide. Both Mr. and Mrs Burman put forth every effort to have it so, and the children have been made most happy. personally have to thank many dear friends of the W. A., for adding greatly to my happiness by their many kind, loving letters and gifts. Only those who are far away from home and loved ones can understand how helpful and cheering such attention from Christian friends prove. I have lately formed our girls into a Society of King's Daughters, giving them badges of purple ribbon. They are all most interested, and so attentive at our meetings. All who are able search the Bible for a text bearing on the subject, and have it ready to read or repeat. Last week our subject was Praise, and this week Truth; next week we will discuss Trust, and so on. I feel much encouraged, as I am sure many of the girls are trying very hard to be real earnest good little Christians. The badges certainly are a help. A child will come to us and say, 'I nearly did wrong but the sight of the badge stopped me.' Another will bring me hers and say with tears, 'Please take this badge, I can't wear it, I have been so wicked ' I am heartily interested in the work here, and when each night I put my nineteen little ones to bed, binding up wounds, etc , and hearing all their little troubles and naughtiness or goodness, as, the case may be, and we have our prayers and text together. I feel almost as if they must really belong to me. assure you I love them all very, very much."

BRANCH NOTICES.

Ingersoil. Sends touching reports of the zeal of the children who have sent off no less than four bales besides gifts for a Christmas tree to Rev. Mr. Evans, of Schrieber Mission. Whilst the boys have contributed \$r towards the Omoksene horses, "They are all such good little souls," writes a friend who knows all about them, "and they work remarkably well." The Senior Branch lends a hand to all good works as their admirable record at the annual will show. On hearing their delegates' report from the annual meeting Ingersoll Branch "resolved to give for the coming year \$10 to the Education Fund, and \$10 to Algoma." Aylmer reports good work and increasing interest. An average attendance at monthly meetings of eleven out of a membership of twenty. An increase also in the number of outsiders who through press of circumstances are unable to attend our meetings, nor do they pay the membership fee, but regularly contribute the sum of the ten cents monthly, which entitles them to the LETTER LEAFLET.

The past year we collected \$70.64. We sent three barrels and one bale to the Rev. G. Stocken. We take 36 LETTER LEAFLETS, and some of the members subscribe for other Mission Magazines also occasionally, when time permits we read articles from papers of interest to the work. We have a dozen Missionary boxes.

Burford has sent two well-filled barrels of clothing to Rev. A. J. Young, North Bay, which was gratefully acknowledged. " Our branch is struggling bravely along although a great many of our members have left the place and at present we are without a clergymen. In our bi-monthly meetings there is that spirit of earnestness and zeal which characterizes those who work for a true motive, no matter how great the difficulty." Delaware, a branch with 34 members, was organized on the 1st February. We wish it God speed. Memorial Church, London, Seniors and Juniors have received grateful letters from Rev. G. Cook, and Mrs. Fry, of Seguin Falls, for gifts sent to each conjointly. The Havergal M.B., are anxious to get news of a bale sent by them to Mr. Lindsay, of Battleford, before Christmas. The M. C. League are earnest little workers. and their numbers keep up well. All Saints' Mission Chapel of the above parish, though few in number, are all self-denying workers, and contribute to four or more branches of W.A. work. They say, " we thank God and take courage. The cause is His, to Him be the honour and the praise." The Memorial S.S. have sent \$2 for the Mission horses at Omoksene. The St. George's (London West) Boys' Band, no less than \$5 for ditto, and have taken collecting cards for Algoma, and they mean to use them. King sville Boys' Band send " 50 cents for horses as a beginning," whilst \$1 was sent through the same little children who sent the first donation for the Communion Service to Mr. Cook, which he thus gratefully acknowledges :

"It was such a surprise, and very nice. Oh! how thankful we are to our kind friends for this generous gift. May the Lord abundantly bless those who are doing so much for us in His Name. I am deeply moved at the extraordinary interests taken in our welfare and on behalf of my children. . . . I am in God's hands. What He wills, that I shall do. I leave all to Him."

In the Woodstock New St. Paul's gift of $\$_{32}$ to Algoma, was included a special thank-offering from its Mothers' Meeting of $\$_{1.50}$.

Scaforth sent two bales to Rev. Mr. Hinchliffe, and one to Mr. Hartland. An interesting letter sent them from the latter will appear shortly.

Mitchell, in enclosing its Algoma offering says. "One dollar and twenty-five cents comes from the King's Daughters of our Church. . . Mr. Owens writes gratefully for our bale. We are going to try and provide for two boys. Mr. Owen pleads for more help in that way."

Walkerville sends tidings of progress most encouraging, but its little story, which would be injured by compression, shall be kept for a coming issue, as, alas! must other branch notes likewise be crowded out of our present number. Missionary letters must wait too. Joyful mention must be made, however, of special news from three branches. 1, "New St. Paul's, Woodstock, at their meeting in January, made Mrs. Ashton Fletcher, their former Rec. Secretary, a life member of the W.A. Mrs. Fletcher's removal to Toronto is agreat loss to her branch, and she is deservedly regretted. She devoted the \$25 to the Algoma Superannuation Fund." 2, Port Dover writes . " Mrs. Crosbie Morgan has become a life member of the W.A., paying the full amount herself, and donating it to the Society for Promoting Christianity amongst the Jews." Perhaps a mention of this noble example, the first in Huron, may arouse others to "go and do likewise." 3, Holy Trinity, Chatham, in token of loving esteem to its valued President, Mrs. Falls, constitutes her a life member of the W.A. Mrs. Falls now knows the secret why her dear members seemed to lag behind in their offerings to Algoma. They knew she would devote her \$25 to the Huron Thanksgiving Offering; and so she has. Huron has now seven formally constituted life members, but we hope she has at least seventy times seven who mean to be life members anyway !

ALGOMA THANKSGIVINGS.

It is with a heart overflowing with gratitude to the Giver of all good things that the following, still somewhat incomplete, but most satisfactory statement of the gifts, which have poured in, as Huron's Thanksgivings, to the Treasury of Algoma's needs, is now placed on record. Did our limited space permit a mention of all the inspiring messages of hope and sympathy, or of even some of the beautiful texts and mottos chosen to accompany them, the LETTER LEAFLET for March would be one of intense interest to its reade. s. Maybe some such record may, by-and-by, teach our branches in other form. Meanwhile, let us thank God for so touching the hearts of so many of our dear W A. sisters, that although the dark cloud of a debt, which ought never to have had any existence at all, still hovers over Algoma, yet that it has been the privilege granted to many of us already, and that it is a privilege yet in store for those others amongst us who are still intending to join in the good work, to help in the dispersing of that cloud, and through the 'little rift,' so made by our loving hand, to make entrance for the bright sunshine of hope and promise to Algoma's Bishop and his band of faithful missionaries.

As several of the gifts below mentioned came in installments, so tospeak, some having been sent in to Mrs. Lings before the annual, some to Mrs. Complin since, some through your editor, many of them in divided amounts, the list below may have double mentions of branches, requiring a little sum of addition to arrive at the several totals, but we venture to think that, basing our calculation upon the fact that of the statment submitted on the printed sheet by Mrs. Lings at the annual, very nearly, if not quite \$400, were intended to be entered on the Thank-offering list, and that some \$631 has since been handed to our newly elected Treasurer, (Mrs. Lucy Complin) and that Holy Trinity, Chatham, announces its remittance to come immediately." of \$25 (L.M.), that some \$5 promises are due, etc., we may confidently assert that Huron's help towards Algoma up to date has not only reached its hoped-for gaol of \$1,000, but that it has overlapped it by at least \$50. Dear Branches, we do so rejuice, we do so heartily thank God 1 May our next month's record be that not one of our members has chosen to be left out, that if it be only five cents. nay one cent, she will take a share in our beautiful Thank offering.

The first list of contributions is from printed Statement given at Annual :---

Aylmer, 10.00. Brantford, St. Jude's, 15.00. Clinton, 15.00. Fores., 3.00. Galt, 23.00. Haysville, 6.00. Ingersoll, 8.00. London, Christ Church, 10.00. St. Anne's, 5.00. St. James' M.B., 25.00. St. George's M.B., 13.00. All Saints' Mission Chapel, 1.00. Mrs. Miller, Huron College, 4.86. Lucan, 13.26. Lucan S. S., 10.00. Port Rowan, 15.00. Port Dover, 6.00. Petrolea, 17.57, Sarnia, 20.00. St. Thomas, 22.00. Stratford, Home Memorial, 2.76. Woodstock, New St. Paul's, 20.00. Woodstock, Old St. Paul's, 10.00. Alls Craig, 5.00. Watford Junior Branch. 3.84.

These have all been previously acknowledged.

Second list is as follows :---

Galt, 16.00. Port Dover, 10.50. Strathroy, 4.00. Brantford, Grace Church, 55.00. St. Jude's, Brantford, 2.55. St. Jude's Mission Band, 85C. Simcoe W.A. 57.15, Ingersoll, 5.00. St. Thomas, Trinity Church, 22.00. Ditto, Earnest Workers, 4.00. Scaforth, 16.15. Wilmot Branch, 15.00. Weodstock, New St. Paul's, 32.00. Voodstock, Old St. Paul's, 23.50. Mitchell, 9.85 Woodstock, Old St. Paul's (Havergal, 4.60. Kingsville S. S., 8.75. Kingsville W.A., 7.00. Chatham, Holy St. Avergal, 5.10. Ditto Junior, 1.00. Watford, Trinity, 13.62. Preston, 5.00 Clinton, 3.00. Warwick, 10.00. Berlin, 5.00. Burford, 1.97. Tyrconell, 9.00. Clauworth, 4.50. Lambeth, 1.25. Lucan, 1.00. Munceytown, 1.50. Durham, 1.00. Alisa Craig, 7.50. Walkerville, 7.50. Windsor, 16.00. London, St. Paul's, 50.50. St. John, Evan, 14.35. Memorial, 53.90. Ditto, Havergal, 5.75. All Sants' M. C. 1.50. St. James' London South, 15.35. Ditto, Senior M. B. 5.00. Ditto, Junior M. B. 1.16. St. Anges' Chapel, 7.50. Life Membership, Mrs. Boomer, 25.00. Mrs. Mills and her Friends, 30.00. A Widow's Mite, 1.00. A Working Man. 1.00. Miss Mellish, Winnipeg, 1.00. Anon, Portland, Maine, 5.00. Thank-offering R. E. S. 5.00. per Mrs. Freer, Winnipeg, 1.00. Additional Gifts, 11.14.

Several of the above sums were forwarded through your editor, in addition to others acknowledged through the Church papers, amongst them a gift of \$5.50 from Miss Anderson (sister of the first Bishop of Rupert's Land); Four Churchwomen of St. Thomas, \$10; Mrs. Godfrey, \$20; Mrs. Serrurier (formerly of Brantiord, now of B.C.), \$30; "In Memoriam," Mrs. Eakins. \$10, Mr. A. E. Parcy, \$5; Anonymous (Memorial Church), \$50; Rev. H. D. Steele, Kirkton, \$3.55; per Mrs. Freer, Winnipeg, \$1.50. These are included in the lump sums sent per Mrs. Boomer.

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

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BALES SENT TO FOLLOWING MISSIONS.

Brantford, Grace Church-One bale to J. Johnston, Rupert's Land. Stratford, St. James-One bale to Rev. A. Wright, Fort a la Corne, ditto Rev. H. Hartland. Sloux Indian Mission. Allsa Craig-One baie, Rev. J. Princhard, Lac Seul. Durham-One bale, Rev. A. H. Wright Fort a la Corne. Hellmuth College-One bale Rev. F. Swainson. Memorial Church, London Girls Havergal M. B.-One bale, Mr. C. Lindsay, Sweet Pine Reserve. Windsor-One bale, Rev. J. W. Tims, Gleichen, Chatham, Iloly Trinity-One bale, Rev. F. Swainson. M. C. L. Memorial Church, to Seguin Falls and Rev. G. Cook.

Montreal Diocese.

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

Our seventh Annual Meeting is over now, and we desire here to thank our Heavenly Father for the success which attended it. From Him alone came the blessing; to Him alone be the praise.

The day commenced with Morning Prayer and Holy Communion in the Cathedral. Revs. Dr. Morton, Rector, and G. Capel, officiating, and the Bishop preaching an eminently practical and spiritual sermon from the text, "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world," After the service, an adjournment was made to the Synod Hall, where a committee of ladies from the city branches, with Mrs. Buchanan as convener, had prepared an elegant and substantial luncheon, of which the delegates and friends partook; the Bishop occupying the seat of honour, with the President on his right. The regular business session began at 2.30 p.m., the Bishop in the chair. After prayer and a hymn, the president, Mrs. Holden, read her annual address.

She cordially welcomed the delegates from town and country, and all present, and hoped that they had come brimful of thoughts and suggestions, by the interchange of which they would infuse tresh zeal and fire into one another. The spirit of self-sacrifice and ardent enthusiasm was the true missionary spirit, and this would do great things for God at home and abroad. In reviewing the work of the year we had reason to believe that the women in our Church had, in a measure, awakened to their responsibilities. The reports showed increased membership and deeper interest in the work, while the contributions have been largely in excess of former years. There were many ways by which we could individually further the work. We could use our influence with the indifferent and uninterested by lending them missionary literature, and by inviting and bringing them to our meetings, but our chief resource lay in prayer. Whether we believe in missions or not the command has been given, and we had no option in the matter. The responsibility was ours, and we must give account for the manner in which we accepted and obeyed it.

At the conclusion of Mrs. Holden's address, a deputation appointed at the January meeting of the Diocesan Synod, and composed of Revs. H. J. Evans, L. M. Tucker and Dr. Davidson, presented a resolution, conveying the thanks and appreciation of the Bishop and Synod, to the Auxiliary.

The reports of the Recording Secretary and Treasurer were then

read, and both showed that satisfactory progress had been made in the past year. The grant of \$200 per annum was continued to Mrs. Wilson, lady teacher at the Washakada Home, and \$100 per annum to a Lady Medical Missionary to Japan. Miss Sugden, for Zenanas, had received \$540.57; Bishop of Selkirk, \$50; Athabasca, \$35; Algoma, special, \$100, Mackenkie River. \$35; Archdeacon Phair (Winnipeg), \$105; Rupert's Land, \$98; Jews, \$19, Lepers, \$75; Dunham Ladies' College, \$103; Printing Fund, \$14; Members' Fees, \$93.70. LEAFLET and badge money not reported.

The Bishop then announced that he had again appointed Mrs. Holden President, and felt confident that in so doing he was carrying out the wishes of the Auxiliary, as well as his own. The announcement was received with general satisfaction. Kindly greetings were then read from the sister Auxiliaries of Toronto, Huron, Ontario, Niagara and Quebec, and the election of officers was proceeded with. Mrs. Houghton, Cor. Sec., and Mrs. Lindsay, Diocesan Treas., having, owing to the pressure of other duties, declined re-election, votes of thanks were passed to these officers, and Mrs. McCord was elected Cor.-Sec.: Mrs. Roe, Treas.; Mrs. Everett (re-elected), Rec.-Sec., and Mrs. C. Dawson, Dorcas Sec. Executive Committee same as last. year. A hymn was then sung, and Miss Macdonell read a carefully prepared and instructive paper on The Missionary Outlook in Japan, showing the hopeful character of the work, but the great need of more active exertions, if the Church would win her way and continue tohold it. Miss Macdonnell was cordially thanked for her interesting paper. In the evening a large audience assembled to hear from Mrs. Archie Wilson an account of the Indian Homes at Elkhorn, Manitoba, where Mr Archie Wilson, her husband, is now in charge, and in one of which-the Washakada Home for Girls-Mrs. Wilson herself has taught for more than three years. The Bishop introduced Mrs. Wilson, and commended her in cordial terms to the sympathy and support of the Auxiliary.

Mrs. Wilson then briefly sketched the history of the Homes since her connection with them, When she had been appointed teacher, in 1889, there were only eight children, now there were 53, and, but for the illness of Mr. Wilson, which had prevented his going out to get in more children, there would have been 80. The Homes were three in number, and there was accommodation for 88 boys and girls. The girls were taught, besides the usual English branches, to sweep and dust their dormitories, make their beds, sew, crochet, knit, make and repair their clothing, wash and iron, cook and bake, and in short all sorts of useful things; and in the large workshops the boys learned carpentering, tailoring, bootmaking, tinsmithing and printing. The children vere taken in at from to to 12 years of age, or even a t6, and kept, if they were willing, until they were 20. When they came they were in their blankets, with their faces smeared with paint, and their ί.

long black hair plaited with prairie fowls' or other wild birds' feathers. They learned quickly, and soon became accustomed to wearing the school uniform, or other suitable dress, and also took a pride in their work. It was a difficult matter to get them at first, for their parents could not readily understand the disinterested motives of the missionaries, and supposed that their object was to make slaves of the children. But when they became convinced of their mistake they were glad to have them come.

The annual expenses of the Homes and workshops, cost of living, teachers' salaries, etc., etc., all told, amounted to \$6,607, and this year there was a deficit of \$1,600, and unless the churches and Sundayschools came to their assistance, the Homes must pass out of the hands of the Church into those of some other denomination. Fifty dollars a year from a Sunday-school would support a child, and the more pupils there were the better for the Homes, for the Government gave a grant of \$100 per annum for each pupil.

On the second day the report of the Town and County Branches were read, and were of a very encouraging character. The following branches with their delegates reported. City-Cathedral, All Saints, Grace Church, St. George's, St. John Evangelist, St. Luke's, St. Martin's, St. Matthias, St. Stenhen's, Trinity, St. Thomas' Boys' Branch, No. 1. Washakada Club. Country-Aylmer, Cowansville, Clarenceville, Durham, Grenville, Havelock, Huntingdon, St. Lambert's, Onslow, Papineauville, Shawville. St. John's, P. Q., St. Andrew's, Waterloo. W. Farnham, Lachine. Miss McCord for the Juvenile work, reported, in the City-All Saint's, St. Matthias, St. Martin's, Trinity, the Washakada Club, Boys' Branch No. 1, and the Juvenile societies in connection with the Christmas trees work. In the country-Aylmer, Grenville, Shawville, Waterloo, W. Farnham and St. Lambert's. The Juvenile work, she said, was important, as it taught young people self-denial, and so trained them in a missionary spirit. Miss McCord's paper was admirable, and we wish we had room for fuller extracts. Mrs. Everett also read an excellent paper on " How to Form a Country Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary," and Mrs. Evans one on the valuation of bales. Mrs. Henderson, for the Dorcas Committee, Mrs. Evans for the LEAFLET, and Mrs. Day, for the Library, read reports. A resolution was passed approving of the non-valuation of bales, and agreeing to adopt it in the Montreal Auxiliary. Mrs. Wilson also addressed a meeting of children at 4 p.m., and an "At Home," at 8 p.m., concluded a most profitable and enjoyable annual meeting.

It will be seen that almost our entire space this month is devoted to a general report of the annual meeting, and that the Branch and other notices must be held over until later. One pleasing incident, however, of the Cathedral Branch February meeting we must not omit, viz., the presentation by Miss-Mitcheson, on behalf of the members, to Miss Morton, their president, of a Life Membership and the accompanying gold badge, and L. M. certificate, as a mark of their affectionate esteem and appreciation.

It has been a great pleasure to the members of the Montreal Auxiliary, to see and know their special teacher from the Washakada Home, Mrs. Archie Wilson, formerly Miss Vidal. All who heard her simply told, straight-forward story, will feel a personal interest in this brave girl wife and her husband who so faithfully carry on the mission work of the Church at faroff Elkhorn, among the Indian children, and will, we hope, exert themselves to the utmost to make her visit a financial, as it has been a personal, success.

We cordially welcome to office Mrs. Roe and Mrs. C. Dawson, and bespeak for them the hearty co-operation and support of all our members. The duties of the Treasurer especially are very onerous, and it would facilitate matters if every one when sending or giving money, would be careful to write the name of the donor with the amount and object for which it is intended on a slip of paper, and place the whole in an envelope, so that the treasurer might be spared the trouble of unnecessary enquiries.

Miss McCord's return to office, and Mrs. Everett's reelection have given much satisfaction.

Mrs. Abbott Smith's absence from the annual was greatly regretted. She had gone to New York with her husband, who was to sail from thence for Egypt and the far East. We wish him a safe voyage and a happy return.

Badges may be procured from Miss McCord, 24 Chomedy street, silver 35 and 50 cents, gold, (life members), \$1.75. Postage and 5 cents extra for registration.

We regret to hear of the illness of Niagara's Cor. Sec., and hope she may soon be quite recovered.

Miagara Diocese.

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

There was a large attendance at the meeting held in St. Mark's School Room, preceded by a Celebration at the Church. Resolutionsof sympathy were passed with Mrs. Ker, and Mrs. Champ in their recent bereavements.

Rev. W. A. Burman has written a most interesting letter concerning Julia Scott, enclosing a photo, which left a most pleasing impression on the Board.

St. Mark's Branch, Orangeville, which disbanded eighteen months ago has been reorganized with 17 members. We have great pleasure in welcoming this return,

Miss Sugden is expected in this Diocese early in April, and we look forward to her being present at our annual meeting, which will be held on the 11th April, and following days, beginning with choral evensong at 8 p.m. A missionary meeting will be held on Wednesday evening, in connection with the D. and F. Mission Board, which meets that day in Hamilton. An "At Home" will be held on Thursday evening in All Saints' school house. Full particulars will be in printed programmes.

The new membership cards, with prayer authorized by the Provincial Board, are ready, and be can be had on application to the Recording Secretary.

The Secretary for Junior Branches reports that the '

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St. John's, Ancaster, J. B. sent to the Rev. E. Wilson for his Home a bale containing two heavy comforters, 22 new articles of clothing, 11 miscellaneous articles, among which were seven work-bags fitted up with all necessaries; \$7.15 were spent on material.

St. J. L. s J. B., Cayuga. Sent \$5 to Rev. W. A. Burman, towards Annie Landon's support, an Indian girl of whom Mr. Burman writes Mrs. Cameron. "Annie is a very good girl, and quite worthy of your help. May I ask for your prayers for her also as well as for ourselves, tha she may be blessed, and our work may abound more and more to God's glory."

Church of the Ascension, Hamilton, sent in a box to Jack Head, Lake Winnipeg, 74 articles as follows. "Seven pairs boys' pants, new; six coats, new; new flannel shirt, new bed-quilt, eight girls' hoods, six pairs new stockings, three pairs socks for men, new; six pairs mittens, three new dresses, three muffs, three scarfs, two undervests, three flannel petticoats, four pairs flannel drawers, four cotton, two chemeses, six aprons, six dressing combs and a quantity of hard soap."

St. Thomas' Branch, Hamilton. Sent three bales to Rev. J. Hines, Devon Mission, Saskatchewan, containing 82 articles of new clothing, 28 second-hand, in good order, 84 pounds groceries, 57 toys, and 65 books. The Juniors also sent a large bale weighing 150 pounds, con-, taining new and second-hand clothing, groceries and dolls, to Mission school, Moosomin Reserve.

Thorold held its annual meeting on the 16th. There was a large attendance, and great interest displayed. The Junior Branch presented their report, which was most encouraging, 31 members. fhe barrel they sent Mr. Owens, Gordon's School, Kutawa, contained many new garments, petticoats, pillow cases, aprons, underwear, two good quilts and toys, all contributed by themseives. Miss Baxter was again elected superintendent, as they all love her so and say "Oh, Miss Baxter always thinks of everything so nice." One grand feature of our Auxiliary is the spirit of unity and love. All seem to work for Christ alone, and it makes our work one glad service of love. We have a balance on hand of \$1.60, no debts. Our receipts for the year being \$57 besides all the bales and barrels." We hope the good rec tor's wife will forgive our making public this little insight into the secret of their successful work for missions, as conveyed in her private letter to the editor.

Niagara Falls had a most satisfactory annual meeting. They have now 50 subscribers to the LEAFLET.

St. Catharine's papers contain a delightful account of St. George's annual meeting. "Two hundred and eighteen dollars, not taking into account the greater part of the clothing sent away," tells for itself how well the interest in mission work is sustained. Through Mrs. Harvey of this parish; a box was sent at Xmas for the Indians on the Molawk Reserve, and Rev. Mr. Elliot, writing to her from Tuscarora, says: "I do indeed thank you and all Christian friends who assisted you in your charitable work. I am quite sure your labour is not in vain. You have no idea of the comfort and relief your assistance has been to me."

From Sheguiandah, Manitoulin Island, Rev. Mr. Irving has the following from Kév. J. Frost. "At length it is my privilege to tell you the barrel is here and, what is better, distributed. It arrived the evening before the Xmas Tree, most of the things were appropriated to add a lustre and give a substantial character to that event. The dolls gladdened the hearts of the little Indian girls, of which there were, quite a number present. I have, however, a difficulty every year in making the distribution, because, while there is always plenty for little girls, there is not much for the boys, both in the matter of toys and garments. When our Xmas festivities were in progress an Indian chief, by-the-way our lay reader, rose and said, 'It would be nice if the Indian ladies would make some little things to send our white sisters. This has been done, a few mats, little cances, and so on, have made their appearance, though of ne money value, they show the kind feeling that prompted the effort. I have written the Dorcas Secretary to know if it were worth while to send them "

[EDITOR'S NOTE.—Would it be possible to carry out this thought of the Indian chief to a fuller extent, and allow these forest children a place in missionary work for Christ by accepting and encouraging their offerings in kind, and having some fixed place for their sale? Those who visit Niagara, for instance, know how eagerly the painted wooden Indians, with three feathers for a top knot—the \$5 moccasins—and little canoes, mats, etc., are bought up, how much more readily would Church people, buying their Niagara souvenurs, patronize a stand when they know they are contributing to missionary effort Will our zealous Dorcas Secretary give this a thought?]

From North Bay, Rev. A. Young writes Mrs. Merritt, 24th January, 1893: "I reached home Saturday before Xmas and was not long in the house before I was introduced to the beautiful gifts sent from St. Thomas' Church, St. Catharines. How can we thank you for all your kindness. So many hearts were gladdened at Xmas time, we all felt thankful God had raised us up such friends. The operation has left me so weak and sick, I sometimes wonder if I shall ever be well again I met so many good friends in Toronto. The W. A. paid all my hospital expenses, even with that we have to live economically so as not to incur debt, now that the people's quota goes to provide a substitute. The weather is against me— so bitterly cold, and our house but poorly furnished and cold, everything in it freezes solid. I am anxiously looking forward to spring. I suppose it is not so cold with you as with us—37 to 40 degrees below nearly every night."

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The members of *Thorold* Junior Branch have an interesting letter from Rev. Owen Owens, St. Luke's Mission, Kutawa, one part of which we give at this time:

DEAR FRIENDS,-You have helped me to make Christmas a joy to some who otherwise would have it as another common day, a day on which a roasted rabbit or a prairie chicken, and a piece of bannock hard as a bone, would be the only feast, what luck if they got a little beef! The toys that are so dear to little children, red or white or black, would have been wanting but for your kind hearts and willing hands. Christmas was a big day here. Santa Claus filled both stockings with toys and candies, and brought fine clothes too. The boys and girls felt so big that they sang, oh so big in church, and if it. was a little boisterous it was praise all the same, and if all did not understand the thankful words, their hearts were full of joy and gladness On Sundays there are from 15 upward jumper ponies ranged round our church as the majority of the people live on the north side. It is a pretty sight to see the long row of rigs wending their way at a brisk trot in and out and along our winding trail, through bluff and open. In church the Indians are very attentive and reverent."

LIST OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO ALGOMA RELIEF FUND.

Contributed at Board Meet-	St. James', Merriton 6 50
ing \$5 00	St. Johns', Ancaster 6 00
Members of the W. A 25 oo	St. Andrew's, Grimsby 14 15
S. Thomas', Hamilton 6 25	Caledonia per Mrs. Roper 27 00
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Christ Ch., Hamilton 8 50	St. Mark's, Hamilton 6 50
Ch. of Ascension 30 00	St. James', Dundas 5 00
St. John's, Cayuga 10 00	St. George's, St. Catharines 30 55
St. Mark's, Niagara on the	St. Jude's, Oakville 21 85
Lake 21 50	Chippawa 50
All Saints', Hamilton 5 oo	••

TREASURER'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Collected at Dio. Branch
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Cathedral S. J. F 4 75
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Miss. Daughters' F 1 12
Extra-Cent-a-Week 2 31
Tax on Members' Fees 15
Ascension B. R.L.T.F 15 00
Ascension to Mis. D. Fund 15 00
Extra-Cent-a-Day 2 00
Zenana Mission 6 95
Tax on Members' Fees 4
St. Luke's, (H.) Mrs. Mar-
tin's L.M. Sec 2 00
Niagara W. A. for Algoma
Special Fund
Chippawa S.I.F.
R.L.T.F 50
Algoma Special Fund 50
Merriton, tax on fees 75
St. George's, St. C., tax on
fees I 30
St. Luke's, (H.), Extra-Cent-
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Thorold R.L. T.F 10 00
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Ascension, (H.) R.L.T.F. 10 00
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Daughters' Fund	10	00
Tax on fees	I	50-
Niagara Falls, S.J.F	10	00
Algoma Special Fund	5	00
Niagara-on-the-Lake, tax		
on fees	2	40
S. Thomas', St. C., tax on		
fees	τ	70
Extra-Cent-a-Week		52
Orangeville tax on mem-		
bers' fees		85
Algoma Special Fund, per		-
Mrs. Hamilton	II	50

EXPENDITURE.

Rev. W. A. Burman, R.L.	
T.F\$23	00
Draft for above	25
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J.J. Mason, Algoma Special	
Fund174	40
J.J. Mason, Algoma Special	
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Chippewa, Algoma	50
I.J. Mason, Algoma Special	
Fund, per Mrs. Ham-	
ilton II	50

Ontario Diocese.

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

Subjects for Prayer and Reading.—March. Athabasca and Africa. April: Caledonia, B.C., and India.

Caledonia, like some other Dioceses, has been deprived temporarily of its head. Bishop Ridley, owing to overwork and consequent ill health, being obliged to take a holiday. Before leaving his flock he wrote some interesting and pathetic letters in the *Gleaner*, speaking of the great need of workers and of funds, and of the encourgement given him in his work by the eagerness of the Indians for religious teaching. We have special duties and obligations towards the Indians, and no foreign mission work, however attractive, should rival in our hearts the special work laid upon us Canadians, of bringing these heathen to the knowledge of God. Let us pray this Lent for our Indians.

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So many of us have been lately hearing lectures by Miss. Sugden, or reading reports of these lectures, that perhaps we feel we know a great deal now of India, but we must remember that Miss Sugden's work was only in a very limited area, and even in that area was almost altogether amongst the women of India. Miss Lings' account, a few years back, of her Zenana work in quite another part of India, was most inspiring and hopeful. Then we have to thank God for the noble work of the three great Universities in India: the Oxford Mission at Calcutta, the Cambridge Mission at Delhi and the Dublin Mission at Chota Nagpur, besides the steady efforts of the venerable missionary societies. The peculiarity of the university missions is that they send out men from Oxford and Cambridge with the express object of meeting the educated Hindu and Mohammedan gentlemen on their own groundmen of high intellectual attainments, capable of arguing with, and convincing the subtle mind of the East Indian. An eloquent preacher, speaking recently of the disappointment.

many feel at the small proportion of Christians in India, says : "If there is an amelioration of the conditions of human life where a Christian Mission is planted; if the position of women is somewhat elevated, if the whole moral condition of life is improved, there surely is something to be thankful for, to be welcomed as a preparation for the setting up of His Kingdom." After telling his hearers of the high value he sets on the societies which exist for intercessory prayer for India, the same preacher goes on to say : "Our prayers must be accompanied by our sacrifices. I believe that really the chief difficulties now experienced in India are due, not so much to intellectual cause, as to the tyranny of caste. The sacrifices, social and pecuniary. which are involved in a profession of Christianity are tremendous. Converts have frequently to endure persecution and spoiling of their goods for Christ's sake, and we have to summon those in India and other missionary fields to make these sacrifices, yes, to sacrifice themselves to Jesus, as kings in royalty of spirit, and as priests in the offering of themselves, all they have and all they are And, my brethren. we cannot call upon them to make that sacrifice unless we are sharing in it ourselves. Are we true to every fresh revelation of Christian truth and Christian life that comes to us? Are we rising up to the call?"

At the February Board meeting the Secretary was asked to express the sympathy of the Board with Mrs. Mcleod Moore, in her bereavement in the death of her mother. The members of the Board heard with pleasure that Ottawa would be honoured by a visit from Bishop and Mrs. Sillitue on March 18th and 10th. A resolution was passed to the effect that the members of the Auxiliary should be asked to contribute towards the debt on the Mission Fund of the Diocese of Algoma, and that such contributions be gathered in at the Annual Meeting to be held (D.V.) at Kingston in Jnne. We feel that it is unnecessary to impress this upon our readers. The claims are so great, the case so urgent, the example of the other dioceses is so inspiring, that we shall surely be able to make a special effort. No sum is mentioned, so no limit is placed to our liberality, no plans are suggested, so each branch is left to devise plans for itself, but let us see that all our members have the opportunity of responding to this appeal, which is quite different from the ordinary "special appeal," for it issues from the Board of D. and F. Missions. Let us plead Algoma's cause before God and before men, for the message has come, as it -came from the law-giver of old, ' take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord.' May the response be " and the people rejoiced, for that they offered willingly unto the Lord."

" I have to thank you and your dear people for the nice large bale of useful articles just to hand. I have just returned from a long journey visiting the different Missions, and the number of people I have met with in great need of clothing and other help, made me feel truly thankful on my return to be able to send them some of the things they so badly need. I shall be pleased to give some of the quilts to some of the needy workers. The Indians at the Missions around Lake Manitoba are the most needy I have met with in all my travels. The teachers among them begged me to send them something as soon as possible to keep their feet and legs from freezing. They said they would be glad of legs of stockings, or any warm material that could be used to patch up the old garments they have been wearing so long. I think if any friend who loves the Indians were to see them as I did for the last month he would come away impressed with one idea, that apart from the Gospel the great need of these people is articles of warm clothing to cover them from the piercing cold You will be pleased to hear that the Gospel 1s finding its way into the hearts of some of these people, and bringing forth fruit in their lives. It is for Christian people to comply with the Divine conditions for the ingathering of the heathen, that the Lord who bought them may have them for His inheritance. It is He who enjoins the words, "pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He may send forth more labourers into the We want more labourers sent by Him, men who are called harvest. by Him, and who will be loyal to Him in the work. Gifts and such help as we need, and get from time to time are called for and most useful, but the great need is the power of God's Spirit both in the workers. and upon the message. We all need to know that it is 'not by might nor by power,' and this is especially realized when in close contact with heathenism. We cannot be too thankful to yourselves and other kind donors for their useful gifts, but we would like dear friends to realize that they can do much more than this for us. The work of God has always had a special blessing in all lands when the people brought it specially before the Throne of Grace, and took the Lord at His word.... We need men, we need money, we need help such as you have kindly sent us, but we need most of all, and first of all, the presence and power of God the Holy Spirit, when He is working, all goes well, whether with you or with us-when He is not, all combined effort seems but a failure."

Pembroke has resumed its weekly sewing meetings during Lent, and holds "Missionary teas" once a month, finding them very enjoyable as well as profitable.

Ottawa, J. W. A., has received several new members, and has begun work for an apron sale to be held after Easter.

Ottawa, St. George's J. W. A. Here twelve of the girls have undertaken the education of a girl in one of the schools in India, the money (\$12) to be raised by small monthly payments.

DORCAS REPORT.

St. Thomas' J.W.A., Belleville, sent a set of altar linen to Calabogie, Diocese Ontario.

Portsmouth, W. A. A bale containing 127 new and second-hand articles to Combermere, Diocese Ontario, which was greatly appreciated in a needy district.

Camden East, W.A. A bale containing 53 new, and 37 second-hand articles, three quilts, and a parcel for the clergyman, to Rev. A. Cobb, Broadbent, Diocese of Algoma.

Napanee Sent a box of delicacies for sick child, to Rev. John Saunders, Biscotasing, Diocese Moosonee,

ANNIE MUCKLESTONE, Sec.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT, JANUARY 1893.

Receipts.

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

" Largely Thou givest, gracious Lord, Largely Thy gifts should be restored ; ² Freely Thou givest, and Thy word Is—" Freely give:" He only who forgets to hoard Has learned to live.—Keblc.

Quebec Diocese.

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

Richmond and Melbourne send an encouraging report. In October two bales of books and warm clothing were forwarded to the Rev. Mr. Frost, Manitoulin Island. \$25 has been sent to the Algoma Relief Fund. The Junior Branch has 26 members who work well.

DORCAS REPORT (Since October Quarterly Meeting.)

Compton-One barrel to Elkhorn Indian School.

Lennoxville—One year's outfit for Caroline Anthony, and one bale to Wawanosh Home; Junior Branch, one barrel to Industrial School, Manitoba.

New Liverpool--One parcel put in Cathedral bale to Mrs. Pinkham.

Cathedral—One bale to Rev. J. Setter, Sandy Lake Mission, one bale to Rev. A. Cook, Fort Alexander, and one bale to Mrs. Pinkham for distribution in Saskatchewan.

St. Matthew's—One barrel and one box to St. Paul's Industrial School, two barrels to Mr. Grisdale for distribution.

St. Paul's-One barrel to Mr. Wilson for the Homes in Sault Ste. Marie.

St. Peter's—Two barrels to the Rev. H. G. Stocken, Sarcee Reserve, Calgary.

Trinity—One barrel and one case to the Rev. J. H. McLeod, Gore Bay, Algoma.

Richmond and Melbourne Junior Branch—Outfit for Nannie in Wawanosh Home.

St. Sylvester-One box to Shingwauk Home.

Windsor Mills-One bale to the Rev. J. Hinchliffe, Peigan Home, Macleod.

These two reports were too late for last month's LEAFLET.

ST. PETER'S MISSION, PIEGAN RESERVE.

Dear Mrs. Briggs,-I received your nice letter and list last week, and the bale came to hand to-day without damage, and every thing you sent. was so nice and good. . . . And now I must tell you what you will be sorry to hear. We have lost our girl Lizzie. The superstitions and customs of the Indians are so deeply rooted, Lizzie was only some twelve years old, but the old woman said she was big enough to be married. I did my best to persuade her mother to let her remain with us, but I could not succeed, she was taken away in October, and married to a nice young man called Ke-ai-o (Bear). Now what shall we do? We have a girl, Lottie, who has no regular outfit, and the things you sent might be given to her; she is the nicest, gentlest, girl we have. Her Indian name is Kum-a-ke, but I cannot tell you what that means. Your branch of the W. A. is indeed a small one, but one of Christ's sweetest promises was made to "two or three." Sincerely yours. I. HINCHLIFFE.

The following letter was received on January 3rd :

FORT SIMPSON, MACKENZIE RIVER DISTRICT, N.W.T.

Dear Miss Montizambert.—Your very kind letter of July 8th reached me at the end of last month. An unexpected opportunity of replying to it has just offered, otherwise I could not have done so until the beginning of December. I have, therefore, very much pleasure in telling you that the communion set has arrived safely, and I am exceedingly obliged to the members of the W.A for contributing such a handsome service. We have not used it yet, but shall do so at our next Communion. It has been much admired by those to whom I have shown it; and I shall never look at it without thinking of the noble man in whose memory it was given, and recalling the very kind way in which I was received in Quebec.

I have not received any Canadian papers, so was unaware, until you informed me, of the election of Bishop Williams' successor. I sincerely trust he will prove himself worthy to tread in his steps ; and that the Church's work both within and without the Diocess will prosper in his hands, and receive a fresh impetus in the right direction. There is not time now to write you my promised letter, but I shall hope to send it by our winter packet. We had a rather tedious journey, but it was fairly enjoyable on the whole My young companions and fellow-workers found much to interest them, and both seem to have entered heartily into their work. From Mr. Marsh, who is to be stationed for the winter at Ford Liard, I heard yesterday. He has been at his station but a few days, but had met with much kindness and wrote chearfully. Mr. Stringer I accompanied to Fort Mc-Pherson, and made arrangements for him to go at once to the Artic Coast and spend a short time amongst the Esquimaux. A few families were at the fort, and they seemed pleased at the prospect of having a teacher. I am very thankful to have received good news from my wife and children. They were all well, and there seems to be every prospect of the former joining me next summer. She will probably leave England at the end of April, but that will depend partly upon the -arrangements she makes with regard to the children. Please remember me very kindly to Mrs. Williams, and your rector, Dean Norman, the Hamiltons, Mrs. Irvine, and anyone else whom I had the pleasure of meeting.

Again thanking you most warmly, asking your constant prayers, and with very kind regards, I am very sincerely yours,

W. D. MACKENZIE RIVER.

The following extracts are from a letter to Miss Montizambert :

Dr. Grassett told me that I should never be able to do the rough missionary work that I had been doing during the previous eight years, in fact he said I was never strong enough for it. The action of the chloroform, and the shock to the system generally have left me in a very nervous and weak state, the heart being the principal organ affected. I am sure that I am better than when I returned home, though the improvement is slight. Your kindness to Mrs. Young in the spring of 1891, which was so helpful to her recovery, inclines me to think that the W. A. would, if they knew my necessities, help me also towards recovery. Whilst I was in Toronto I was the guest of the W. A., who, with the greatest kindness, defrayed all my hospital expenses, besides assisting me in other ways. But my sickness which went back to last April, has been a very serious drain upon me, the expenses of my journey to Banff at the suggestion of the doctor, and the medical expenses having been very heavy. These and the loss of my people's contributions to my stipend for nine months have left me, though happily not a dollar in debt, yet without the necessary means to obtain what I need to repair my strength. At present my supply here cost more than the people are under obligation to subscribe. My only source of income is the Mission Fund contribution, which at this time of year is just a bare existence, everything, too, here is very high in price. You will, I am sure, understand my position. I could tell you much more, but I dislike above everything reference to personal trial and affliction. Should the W. A. be able to help me in any way I should be glad just now. Yours very sincerely, A. J. YOUNG.

North Bay, January 15th 1893.

Dear Miss Montizambert,—Here at the Mission head-quarters we have done much building the past year. Our Home was enlarged to treble its size, and is already full. Our school-house is now so old (having been built of cotton wood logs nine years ago) that it must

come down this year, and a new one be built in its place. I have plans for a very neat little building 40 feet long by 20 feet wide. Its estimated cost is \$700, of this I hope to get \$400 from the Government, thus leaving \$300 to be collected by me. Do you think the Quebec Diocesan W.A., or some of its branches could give us help in obtaining this sum? It was so cold in the old building last Sunday that we had to stop the service, and we have not been able to hold school in it all the past week. We want the new building to be a school-church. and the plans have been drawn up with this in view. A gothic window will be placed at the east end where the Holy Table is to stand. We shall be so glad to get any help towards this building. I am thankful for the help the St. Matthew's Branch of the W.A. is rendering in sending \$50 per annum towards a teacher's salary at Eagle Ribs. I hope you will not think I am asking too much in bringing this other need before you. Yours sincerely, J. W. TIMS.

The following extracts are from a paper written by Mrs. Von Iffland, for the Richmond Conference :

THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN.

Dear Sisters in Christ,-I wish, with your kind permission, to say a few words as to our manner of ministering to God's consecrated servents. This is a high and holy work to which we have been especially called. The wonderful increase in this work and its now widespread influence show that "It is of God." But I want to speak of what, to my mind, are some of the dangers which lie before us. First, and perhaps greatest is the fear that if we are not very careful we may come to think that ministering to the priests of God is Almsgiving. The dignity of the office which they hold should shield them from this. We are warned that it is possible for people to think that the payment of God's just dues is "almsgiving." Now, it is not. After we have rendered unto God His dues let us take from our own share of what He has given us, and give to His poor and all who are in need. When we think of the subject seriously and solemnly it can not but be mortifying to us to know that we Christians of the 10th century have to be reminded every week of our duty to those who minister to us in spiritual things. But so it is, and we often listen with deaf or inattentive ears when these words are read, "Even so hath the Lord also ordained that they who preach the Gospel should live of the Gospel." This is what ought to be, but, alas! how far, how very far it is from the real facts. Men who have spent five years and more in arduous study and self-denial; who for Christ's sake have given up the ordinary chances of success in life, are ordained and appointed to the cure of souls to which work they should be able to devote their whole time. Their stipends are so small they cannot live without constant anxiety.

HARRIET VON IFFLAND.

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