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The General Executive Committee

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION

In the year 1875, when the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was just six years old, the General Executive Committee held its session in the City of Baltimore, in the old First Church, where only four years previous the Baltimore Branch had been formed. There were then seven Branches only, and just one missionary candidate was accepted for service, and only two returned missionaries were present, both from India, the writer one of them. We rejoiced over \$60,000 paid into the treasury, of which amount the Baltimore Branch had paid \$4,581.

Bishop Ames, who resided in the city, attended the sessions nearly every day and presided at the anniversary. Nine years pass and again the committee is in Baltimore in the Madison Avenue Church, receiving words of welcome from that incomparable Christian woman, the beloved President of the Branch, Mrs. F. A. Crook, of whom it was said: "She carried in her face the peace of God."

The devoted Corresponding Secretary, Miss Isabel Hart, was the great inspiration and director of the meeting. Four missionaries were in attendance, and the Treasurer's report reached the sum of \$143,199. During the week a meeting was held in the Mount Vernon Place Church for the purpose of creating a public sentiment in favor of establishing a Woman's College in the city. Mrs. Skidmore, Mrs. Cowen, Mrs. McGrew and Mrs. Nind, the records say, "made characteristic and telling addresses." Sentiment soon crystallized, as the ten great stone and brick buildings, fully equipped, testify, while from the College halls have gone forth cultivated Christian women to several of our mission fields.

Again the years pass, nineteen busy years, and the committee in October, 1903 is again in Baltimore in Grace Church, so transformed with its flags and beautiful decorations that one could almost imagine being transported to an Oriental clime. So gracious was the hospitality bestowed all the week of our sojourn, so delicate the attentions on the part of the women of Methodism in the city, that, as Paul said to the Corinthians "We ourselves are your servants for Jesus' sake," for such was their spirit. Memory was busy those days.

We recognized that Baltimore skies were just as blue, the autumnal tints just as perfect, the air just as balmy as aforetime, but many that greeted us in days past have gone and we longed for their presence.

To make us realize that we were on historic ground, Mrs. E. B. Stevens, the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch, had compiled a sketch of historic Methodism in Maryland, with illustrations, which was presented to every officer, delegate and missionary. Upon the beautiful badges provided were pictures of *Lovely Lane Meeting House*, where only a few blocks from where the Committee was in session, was the spot on which stood this little building, where the Methodist Episcopal Church was organized in 1784.

Wednesday evening was given to a royal welcome from pastor of the church, Presiding Elder of the District and President of the Branch. City, Church and Branch united to assure the Committee how glad they were to have such a gathering within their borders. To these words the Secretary of the Columbia River Branch responded, reviewing the work of the nineteen years since last we met in the city.

The days spent in session from October 29 to November 5 were full. From 9 o'clock in the morning until 12 every minute was filled with business, reports, plans, while the last half-hour was given to introductions and announcements. Many visitors were present from all parts of the country and many officers from the various Branches.

The Communion Service, in charge of the Presiding Elder, assisted by many of the ministers, was a very sacred hour. It is always impressive to see the secretaries and workers from all over the country kneeling together with the missionaries who have toiled often in weariness and loneliness, all partaking of the Sacrament. It was a preparation for the days of work and care that followed.

How the Society has grown! There were present forty-six missionaries, eleven of them now or formerly connected with the General Board, while thirty-five were members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Every afternoon and evening some phase of

their work was presented. Every country where the Society has work was represented save two. Bulgaria has had no missionary present in six years, and while the one with us this year talked of her school, she made no reference to her isolation in that lonely country.

The report of the treasurers was a cause of great rejoicing. Never had they gleaned so much. After months of toil and prayer, they reported the largest offering made in the Society's history—\$491,091—an advance of over twelve thousand dollars. Surely there were glad and grateful hearts.

On Sabbath many of the missionaries spoke in the churches, resulting in an addition of about two hundred members to the Society.

The anniversary in the evening was a memorable occasion. The audience completely filled the church. Most excellent music, a report of the year's work, singing by Anna Stone, the Chinese student and missionary, and a most practical address by Rev. Dr. Taylor, Field Secretary of the General Missionary Society, were the features of the occasion.

Many of the Methodist ministers were in attendance, and on Monday morning the Preachers' Meeting adjourned and came bearing greetings through one of their members, to whose words Mrs. E. J. Knowles of New York, made fitting reply.

It was a great pleasure to have present two of the founders of the Society—Mrs. Dr. Butler and Mrs. Kingsbury. Mrs. Butler spoke in a church where, thirty-two years before, she had organized an auxiliary society. Upon every appearance she was greeted with enthusiasm.

A very pleasant social occasion was the reception given by Dr. Goucher at the Woman's College. An invitation came from the Washington District for the Committee to visit Washington at the close of the session and to attend a reception at the Presidential Mansion. Many availed themselves of the privilege, while others reluctantly had to forego the pleasure.

Rev. Dr. Colt, the pastor of the church, was in hearty sympathy with the spirit of the occasion and untiring in his attentions, while Mrs. Stevens and her faithful co-workers left nothing to be desired.

Of the results of the work of the Committee, the business transacted, this Report will give information.

The same officers were re-elected, viz: Mrs. C. D. Foss, President; Mrs. T. J. Gracey, Secretary, and Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, General Treasurer.

The last business of the Committee is the announcement of the appropriations, which this year amounted to \$459,351, one Branch, the Northwestern, pledging the largest amount ever named in the history of the Society by any one Branch.

The closing exercises were conducted by Mrs. Keen, who gave a most impressive address.

The next session of the Committee will be held within the territory of the Des Moines Branch.

MRS. J. T. GRACEY.

Official Minutes

GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THIRTY-FOURTH SESSION

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 1903

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church convened for its Thirty-fourth Annual Session in Grace Church, Baltimore, on Thursday morning, October 29, 1903, at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. C. D. Foss, President of the Society, called the meeting to order and conducted the opening devotional exercises. She announced the 248th hymn "All hail the power of Jesus' name" and after the singing Mrs. M. S. Huston, former Secretary of the Des Moines Branch, read the Scripture lesson and led in prayer. After the singing of the second hymn "Jesus shall reign where'er the sun" the Committee proceeded to business. After the selection of seats the Secretary called the roll of delegates, as follows:

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Miss Watson, Secretary of the Committee of Reference, announced the following committees:

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Mrs. Stevens moved that as the hour for lunch was appointed at 12.30, the Committee adjourn promptly at 12 o'clock for introductions and announcements, which motion was carried.

The President made a call for memorials and petitions. Miss Watson presented a report of the Reference Committee, stating that action was had on several points. It was voted to employ field secretaries in the work of the Society subject to certain specified conditions.

The following missionary candidates were accepted by the Reference Committee: Maud Saxe and Agnes Saxe for India; Grace B. Travis for Ku Cheng, China; Norma H. Fenderick for Raichur, India; Virginia Swormstedt, Inhambane, East Africa; Ida May Cartwright appointed to India; Hester A. Thomas to Nagasaki, Japan; Dora Jones to China; Alice M. Northrup to Lucknow, India; L. Maud Wheeler to China; Sarah Elizabeth Wiles to Muttra, India; Mary E. Olsen to Penang, Straits Settlements; Mabel Lee to Japan; Helen

Hewitt to Mexico; Edith M. Crane to Montevideo, Argentina; Adelaide Siddall to Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, India; Charlotte McHose and Jessie Peters, appointments not given. The report of this Committee was then accepted.

The Columbia River Branch was authorized to make the Seminary in Foochow the Laura Cranston Memorial Hall. Reports of the home work were taken up and New England Branch was presented by Miss Holt; New York and Philadelphia Branches were postponed. Baltimore Branch was presented by Mrs. Stevens, Cincinnati Branch by Mrs. Cowen. So cheering were the reports of these branches that at Mrs. Nind's suggestion the Committee united in singing the Doxology.

Mrs. Dr. Butler, who was present in the audience, was invited to a seat on the platform, and was greeted by the Chautauqua salute.

The President announced that the gavel used by her was made from wood in the old Charles Street Church of Baltimore. The reports of home work were resumed and that of the Northwestern Branch was given by Mrs. Crandon. Des Moines Branch was presented by Mrs. Thompson, the newly elected secretary of that branch. Minneapolis Branch was given by Mrs. Joyce, Topeka Branch by Miss Watson, Pacific Branch by Mrs. O'Neal, and Columbia River Branch by Mrs. Fisher.

The reports of the treasurers of the various branches were given as follows. Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903:

New England Branch	\$33,068.03
New York "	74,570.00
Philadelphia "	55,807.09
Baltimore "	20,643.36
Cincinnati "	70,207.95
Northwestern "	119,883.39
Des Moines "	51,082.00
Minneapolis "	17,782.00
Topeka "	24,000.00
Pacific "	15,726.00
Columbia River "	7,421.93
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Amount received in 1902	478,236.03
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Advance	\$12,855.72

A discussion was had concerning the Contingent fund, as to whether it should be included in the general receipts, when Miss Holt moved that the Contingent fund receipts be included in the Treasurers Reports when given at the General Executive Committee. This motion was carried.

The report of the German work was given by the Secretary, Miss Rothweiler; and the Swedish work by the Secretary, Mrs. Farrell. At 12 o'clock the regular order of business was suspended for announcements and introductions. The following persons were presented to the Committee, Mrs. Eaton, President of the Baltimore Branch, Mrs. Hill, Associate Secretary, Mrs. Morgan, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hartsock, local Railroad Secretary; Mrs. Wright, Chairman of Committee on Public Services; Mrs. Stanton on Decorations; Mrs. King, on Luncheon; Miss Thomas of the Missionary Exhibit; Mrs. Moore, of Committee of Arrangements; Mrs. J. S. Rawlings, Treasurer of Baltimore Branch and Mrs. R. E. Clark, Railroad secretary.

The following Missionaries were introduced; Misses Limberger and Hewitt of Mexico; Misses Adams, Parkinson and Varney of China; Misses Hewett, Lewis, Imhof and Bender of Japan; Miss Vickery of Rome; Miss Blackburn of Bulgaria; Mrs. Curtis of Malaysia; Miss Sparkes and Miss Nichols of India; Rev. and Mrs. Julius Smith of Burma; Dr. and Mrs. Spencer of Japan; Mrs. Dr. Baldwin, formerly of China; Mrs. Geo. Smyth, President of Pacific Branch, of China; Mrs. Dr. Butler, of India and Mexico; and Mrs. Kingsbury, of Boston, two of the founders of the Society. Mrs. Mary C. Nind, President Emeritus of the Minneapolis Branch; Mrs. Pearce, President of Philadelphia Branch; Miss Pearson, President of Des Moines Branch; Mrs. Legg, President of New England Branch; Miss Butler, Home Secretary, New England Branch; Mrs. Huston, former Corresponding Secretary of Des Moines Branch; Mrs. Darlington, Associate Secretary, Philadelphia Branch; Mrs. Gatchell, Recording Secretary of the Des Moines Branch; Mrs. York, Treasurer of Northwestern Branch; Mrs. Whitney, Treasurer of Columbia River Branch; Mrs. Williston, Treasurer of the New England Branch; and Mrs. Wilson, Treasurer of the Philadelphia Branch, also the Publisher of the Society, Miss Walden.

The Northwestern, Des Moines, Columbia River, and Topeka Branches asked that the Missionaries of these various Branches be seated with their delegates. The request was granted. Mrs. Pooley asked that the Secretaries of Literature be seated with the Literature Committee. Granted. Announcements were made for the

afternoon and evening meetings. Mrs. Pooley represented the Literature.

Rev. Dr. Colt, the pastor of Grace Church was introduced. The Committee adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Colt.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened for its second day's session at 9 o'clock, with the President in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the Pacific Branch. At the close of the devotions the Secretary called the roll. The Minutes were read, corrected and approved. Mrs. Cowen asked that Mrs. Davis, President of the Cincinnati Branch be seated with the Cincinnati delegation. The request was granted. The unfinished Home Reports were called for and Mrs. Knowles read the report of the New York Branch. Mrs. Keen gave the Report of the Philadelphia Branch, including the Treasurer's Report. It was moved and carried that these Reports be accepted and referred for Publication. Mrs. Harrison, Secretary for the King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers, presented a report of the year's work which was accepted and referred to the Committee on Publication.

Miss Hodgkins, Chairman of Committee on Badge, Crest and Seal, presented a report. Mrs. Rockwell moved that the report be accepted with thanks, and the Committee dismissed. The motion was carried. All matters pertaining to the Badge, Crest and Seal have been transferred to the Publishing office in Boston.

The report of the Constitutional Publication Committee was presented by the Secretary, Miss Holt. Mrs. Pooley moved that it be accepted and referred to Publication Committee which was carried. The report of the Zenana paper was given, which was accepted and ordered printed.

Miss Walden, Publisher, presented her report which was accepted by a rising vote and referred to Publication Committee.

Miss Hodgkins, Editor of the "Missionary Friend," gave a report of that paper, which was accepted and referred to Publication Committee.

Mrs. Scott, Editor of the "Childrens' Friend," gave a report, which was accepted and referred to Publication Committee. At the close of these reports, the Committee united in singing, "O for a thousand tongues to sing."

Miss Achard, Editor of the German paper gave a report, which was accepted and referred to the Publication Committee.

Miss Northup, Editor of "The Study," reported, which report was accepted and referred to Committee on Publication.

The report of the Literature Committee was presented by the chairman, Mrs. Pooley, Miss Northup gave the financial report of the Committee, which was referred to the Publication Committee.

Mrs. Stevens moved that a Committee on Resolutions be appointed, and that the chair appoint. The motion carried, and Mrs. Smyth, of the Pacific Branch, Mrs. Mitchell, of the Cincinnati Branch, and Mrs. Wriston of the New England Branch composed the Committee.

A telegram was read from the Home Missionary Society in Annual Session at Chattanooga, Tenn., signed by Mrs. Clinton B. Fisk, Mrs. F. A. Aiken and Mrs. John Neff. Greetings. Philippians, first, third and fourth verses. Miss Sparkes moved that the Secretary respond, which motion prevailed.

Miss Holt presented a resolution concerning the bequest of \$2,500.00, left by Mr. Corbin, of New England. The resolution was adopted, and the Secretary instructed to sign the document.

The resignation of Miss Mary Ninde, Superintendent of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers was presented. Mrs. Stevens moved to accept with great regret, and asked that the Secretary be appointed to write her, which was carried by a rising vote.

Rev. Dr. Goucher, President of the Woman's College was introduced. He congratulated the society upon the success of the past year. He extended an invitation to delegates, visitors, missionaries and friends to a reception to be held that evening at the Woman's College. The invitation was accepted with thanks.

The ordinary business was suspended for announcements and introductions. The following were presented: Mrs. Colt, the wife of the pastor of Grace Church; Mrs. Winks, chairman of Committee on Registration; Mrs. Purnell, chairman of Ways and Means; Miss Sherman, chairman of Committee on Ushers; Mrs. Frame, of the Bureau of Information. Also Mrs. Knowles, Recording Secretary of the New York Branch; Mrs. Simmons and Mrs. Dennler, officers of the New York East Conference; Mrs. Davis, President of the Cincinnati Branch; and Mrs. Bishop Wilson, of the Church South.

The following Missionaries were introduced, Miss Martin, of Penang; Miss Cody of Singapore; Miss Pool, Missionary Candidate from Des Moines Branch; Misses Todd and Glenk of China; Miss Elliot of India; Misses Young, Melton and Allen of Japan; also Rev. Geo. Heber Jones and Mrs. Jones of Korea; Miss Jennie Hughes, Student Volunteer candidate of the New York Branch; Mrs. W. H. Stephens of India. Also Mrs. Hartley, Superintendent of Young People's Work in Topeka Branch; and Mrs. Ruth Sites Brown and daughter. Miss Northup represented the literature and referred to the beautiful souvenir presented to the members of the Committee and Missionaries by Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Corresponding Secretary of the Branch.

Mrs. D. C. Morgan extended an invitation to the Committee from the Washington District, to visit Washington on Friday, Nov. 6th; also to a reception at the White House in the afternoon, and requested the members of the Committee who could attend, to give their names. Other announcements were made, when the Committee adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Dr. Hartsock.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour, with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the New England Branch. The Secretary called the roll, after which the Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

The President called for Foreign Reports and the following were presented by the official correspondents. North Japan by Mrs. Fisher, Foochow, China by Mrs. Stevens, North India by Mrs. Cowen, Central China was read by Mrs. Knowles, and Central Japan by Mrs. Keen.

At the conclusion of these reports, miscellaneous business was taken up and a committee appointed to report the proceedings of the committee in the various church papers, as follows: "North-western Christian Advocate, Mrs. Bliss; "California Advocate," Mrs.

Woodcock; "Baltimore Methodist," Mrs. Hill; "Western Christian Advocate," Mrs. Curtis; "Central Christian Advocate," Mrs. Wilder; "Pittsburgh Christian Advocate," and "Philadelphia Methodist," Miss Sutch; "Pacific Christian Advocate," Mrs. J. H. Knowles; the "Apolo-gist," Miss Achard; "New York Christian Advocate," Mrs. J. T. Gracey; "Zion's Herald," Mrs. Wriston; "Michigan Advocate," Miss Baker; "Swedish paper," Mrs. Dr. Henschen; and Miss Northup was appointed to report to papers outside the church. Mrs. J. H. Knowles was appointed assistant Secretary.

Reports of Committees were called, and Mrs. Mary Price Smith presented a partial report of the Publication Committee. It was moved and carried to consider item by item. The first and second items were adopted. The third relating to salaries, Miss Holt moved that it be referred back to Committee without discussion, which was carried. The fourth, fifth and sixth were adopted. The one relating to number of abridged annual report referred back to Committee. The eighth, in regard to statistics, discussed and adopted. The ninth, adopted.

The report of missionary candidates was called for and Mrs. Rockwell, Secretary of Committee, presented the testimonials of Nora Bell Waugh, daughter of Dr. J. W. Waugh, formerly of India. The report was accepted.

A bill for railroad expenses of speakers who attended the Missionary Convention in Philadelphia to represent the Society was presented by Mrs. Foss, and ordered paid. It was moved and carried that the Committee invite some of the Missionaries to speak. Mrs. Stephens, expecting to sail in a few days on her return to India, made an address, after which Miss Hodgkins represented the Literature. The hour for introductions and announcements having arrived, Mrs. R. T. Taylor, hostess of the day, was presented to the Committee. Mrs. Thomas Sewall was asked to come to the platform but declined. Mrs. Sewall was a member of the Ladies' China Missionary Society in Baltimore, which preceded the organization of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Mrs. Dr. Locke, of Buffalo, and Mrs. Bliss, Home Secretary of Northwestern Branch, were presented.

The following Missionaries were introduced: Mrs. Emma Moore Scott, Mrs. Dr. Badley, Miss Curtis, Miss Nicholls and Miss Hyde of India; Miss Mitchell of China; Dr. and Mrs. Dease of Bareilly, India. Announcements were made for Sabbath Services and the Committee adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Dease.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Columbia River Branch. After the calling of the roll, the Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

A call was made for a report of the anniversary on Sabbath evening, which was given by the Secretary. She reported Grace Church full to overflowing, Mrs. Foss presiding. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Stevens, of the Baltimore Branch, with prayer by Mrs. Mary C. Nind, and singing by Anna Stone. A report of the year's work was presented by the Secretary, then the collection followed. A very clear and practical address was delivered by Rev. Dr. Taylor, Field Secretary of the General Missionary Society.

An announcement was made in the Committee that a lady in the congregation had made a donation of \$500 to send out a missionary.

Foreign reports were called for and Mrs. Keen presented a report of Mexico, Miss Holt represented South America, and Mrs. Cowen, South Japan. Burma was called for and Mrs. O'Neal, official correspondent, gave the time to Rev. Julius Smith, who was present from Burma.

The report of work in Malaysia was given by Mrs. Joyce. At the close of these reports the next item of business was the election of officers. It was moved and carried to receive open nominations. Mrs. Stevens presented the name of Mrs. C. D. Foss, of Philadelphia, for President; Mrs. Cowen presented the name of Mrs. J. T. Gracey, of Rochester, for Recording Secretary; and Miss Sparkes nominated Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, for General Treasurer. These officers were unanimously elected.

Mrs. Wilkinson, President of Folts Institute, was introduced and made an address concerning the Institution, what it stands for, what it is accomplishing, and what it needs.

Mrs. Pooley moved that the Committee express thanks to Mrs. Wilkinson, which was carried by a rising vote.

Mrs. Pooley moved that the two points be emphasized in Mrs. Wilkinson's address, vis.: the request concerning attendance of Missionary Candidates at Folts Institute, and the endorsement of the apportionments upon the Branches, and the endowment fund for the Institute.

Miss Sparkes presented a memorial from the New York Branch bearing on the subject, asking that all Missionary Candidates be required to take at least one year of training in Folts Mission Institute. Mrs. Pooley moved to refer to Publication Committee. Mrs. Keen moved as an amendment, that it be referred to the Committee on Missionary Candidates. A rising vote was called for, resulting in a vote of sixteen to four for referring to Missionary Candidate Committee.

Mrs. Pooley moved a reconsideration of her motion to refer to Publication Committee, which was carried.

Mrs. Wilkinson was asked to explain what the society had pledged financially. In reply Mrs. Wilkinson read the action of the General Executive Committee held in Philadelphia, 1901, regarding the Permanent scholarship fund, as follows:

WHEREAS, One year ago the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society decided to create a permanent scholarship fund for Folts Institute, to be raised within three years, we recommend that earnest effort be made to complete this work according to the plan already adopted, which plan is as follows: \$100 for each district of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; \$100 for each conference in the Northwestern Branch; \$50 for each conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches; and \$100 each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches, to be raised within three years. We further recommend that as far as practicable, gifts from individuals, rather than from auxiliaries, be solicited in the raising of this fund.

It was stated the amount paid in the two years was only \$3,148.89, the Branches having paid the following sums: New England, \$101.85; Philadelphia, \$508.13; Baltimore, \$156.75; Northwestern, \$86.36; Pacific, \$100.00; and New York, \$2,196.70.

Mrs. Stevens explained that the requirement of \$100 from each District was not accepted by the Baltimore Branch, but the Branch had decided to raise \$300. Mrs. Cowen explained that this action was not obligatory, but the amount to be raised whenever practicable.

Reports were called for from the missionaries and speakers who had visited the various churches on Sabbath. Mrs. Dr. Butler reported speaking in Strawbridge Church, where she had organized an auxiliary society thirty-two years ago. Thirty-one visitations to churches were reported, resulting in the addition of about two hundred members, and good collections for the treasury of the Society.

The time having arrived for announcements, the following were presented to the Committee: Mrs. C. W. Baldwin, Hostess; Miss Tomkinson, preceptress of Rust Hall, Washington; Mrs. E. L. Harvey, Superintendent of Young People's Work of the Baltimore Branch; Mrs. Ockerman, Secretary of Literature; Miss Elsie Wood, of South America; and her sister Miss Bertha Wood; the Rev. T. Ukai, Pastor of the Central M. E. Church, Tokyo, Japan.

Rev. Mr. Wilson, fraternal delegate from the Preachers Meeting was introduced and extended the greetings of that body to the Committee. Mrs. J. H. Knowles, of New York, responded to these greetings on behalf of the Committee. Mrs. Dr. Butler was called, and made reference to the hearty co-operation of the ministers of Baltimore in the early history of the Society. Mrs. Butler was invited to the platform. A request was sent up from the audience for Anna Stone to sing, and she responded, singing "Faith of Our Fathers," after which the Committee adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Colt.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates from the Cincinnati Branch. After calling the roll the Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The business was taken up and Mrs. Rockwell as Secretary of the Committee on Missionary Candidates presented a partial report. Before giving the report she read a word of greeting from Mrs. Bishop Hamilton.

Mrs. Rockwell presented the names of eleven Missionary Candidates; Miss Hu, of China, from the Des Moines Branch; Miss Anna Stone, of China, from the Minneapolis Branch; Miss Lydia Pool and Miss Mamie Glassburner, from the Des Moines Branch; Miss LeDora Deavitt, Miss Bertha Wood and Miss Jennie Hughes, from the New York Branch; Miss Emma J. Betow, from the Cincinnati Branch; Miss Grace A. Crooks, Miss Eleanor A. Moore and Miss Susan Walker, from the Northwestern Branch. These candidate were

represented by their Corresponding Secretaries, or others having knowledge of them, and all were accepted.

Mrs. Smith, Secretary of Publication, presented a partial report, and it was moved and carried to consider item by item. This report covered fifteen different items. The first item was adopted. The second concerning blank form of bequests, devise of real estate, and annuities called out quite a discussion, and as the number of Branches are incorporated, and the laws concerning these matters are different in the various Branches, it was recommended that each Branch should send out its own form. The third was in relation to the abridged annual report, with the recommendation that thirty thousand be issued by the middle of November. Some statements were made to the effect that it would be impossible to do it so early, Mrs. Stevens made an amendment that it be done as soon as practicable. This amendment was carried and the item adopted as amended.

It was recommended that the list of Missionaries in Annual Report, pages 233-36 be alphabetical, and the initials of the Branches be inserted. After some discussion, this was laid on the table. The eighth item that the Annual and Branch Reports, Calendar and Publications be printed in blue bearing motto and seal was adopted. The ninth resolution about Friend, Children's Friend and German paper was adopted. The tenth about the increase of subscribers was adopted.

The eleventh item, that for every ten new subscribers or fifteen new or old, one free copy of Friend be given, was adopted.

The twelfth concerning permanent fund for Folts Institute was adopted.

The thirteenth, the recommendation that Missionary Candidates be required to attend Folts Institute for one year before entering the foreign work, called out a very general discussion. It was proposed to leave the matter in the hands of the Candidate Committee of the Branch. The suggestion was made that the secretaries may set aside this rule when necessary.

Mrs. Mitchell offered an amendment to the resolution by inserting the words "when practicable." The amendment was lost and the original item was re-read and the vote taken and carried.

The fourteenth item was concerning a change of title of the Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers. This was amended by adding the word Companies after Standard Bearers. The amendment was adopted and the resolution adopted as amended.

The fifteenth, which was a Constitution for Young Woman's Societies and Standard Bearer Companies brought out a general

discussion, when it was moved that the matter of the Constitution be referred back to committee by a vote of fourteen to twelve.

The Publication Committee seemed to be in doubt about some of their duties as a committee, and asked for instructions.

Mrs. Hager rose to a question of privilege and desired to know who has the power to instruct said committee. Mrs. Fisher moved that the Publication Committee bring in what they consider to be the very best Constitution. This motion was carried.

Mrs. Crandon presented the following resolution.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed whose duty it shall be to define the work that properly comes before the Publication Committee.

This resolution was adopted. It was moved and carried that the chair appoint said committee.

The President announced Miss Holt, of New England Branch, Miss Pearson, of Des Moines Branch, Mrs. Keen, of the Philadelphia Branch, as the committee to define the work that properly comes before the Publication Committee, with the understanding that this Committee report at the next session of the General Executive Committee. The Literature was represented by Mrs. Nind. The following were introduced to the Committee: Mrs. Corkran, hostess of the day; Miss Adams, chairman of the Music Committee.

The Committee adjourned by singing the doxology with benediction by Rev. Dr. Patterson.

SIXTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by the New York visitors, Mrs. Dennler and Mrs. Simmons. After the calling of the roll, the Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The business was taken up and Mrs. Thompson moved that the official correspondence be the order of the day at 10.30 o'clock. The motion was carried.

The Missionary Candidate Committee was called, but was not ready to report. Mrs. Pooley presented the report of a Special Com-

mittee appointed by the Reference Committee on annuities, which was read and adopted. (See annuities.)

Mrs. Smith, Secretary of Publication Committee presented a partial report. The first item recommending that returned Missionaries spend at least six months at Folts Institute was adopted. Second, that the Secretary of Literature in every Branch advertise the German paper, and that it be enlarged to twelve pages twice a year. It was suggested that this be postponed until the paper was self-supporting. It was explained that the paper was enlarged once a year and was practically self-supporting. The item was adopted.

Third, that the editor of Friend be allowed \$50.00 and Mrs. Scott \$25.00 for special contributions adopted.

Fourth, that an allowance of \$75.00 be given Mrs. Farrell for Editorial work. Adopted.

Fifth, Thanks to Dr. Henschen for space in the interest of the Society in the "Swedish Semi-monthly paper." Adopted.

Sixth, Thanks to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor and recommending his re-appointment. Adopted.

Seventh, that \$100.00 be appropriated to the Literature Committee for contributions. Adopted.

The eighth item modifying the 4th By-Law was re-committed.

The ninth item, a Constitution for Young Woman's Societies and Standard Bearer Companies which had been recommitted was presented. Mrs. Mitchell moved that the Constitution be read through before taking up item by item, which was carried. The seven items as presented were adopted.

A Constitution for Auxiliary Societies was then presented and the six articles adopted. The remainder of the report was deferred by expiration of time.

The order of the day, the official correspondence was taken up, and Italy being called, Mrs. Crandon requested that Miss Vickery, of Rome, should speak in place of the official report, and the request was granted.

Bombay Conference was called and Mrs. Huston asked that Miss Hyde should represent the work in Bombay, and the request was granted. Bulgaria was represented by Miss Blackburn, the first Missionary present from Bulgaria in six years. She stated that the name Loftcha, known as the seat of the girl's school, should hereafter be known as Lovetch.

The official report of Korea was read by Mrs. Knowles, and that of the South India Conference by Mrs. Stevens.

Miss Holt presented a legal document from Burma, asking that the Committee grant power of attorney to the Rev. Julius Smith and Rev. Frederick B. Price. The power was granted. At the request of Mrs. Skidmore, Mrs. Knowles asked that Mrs. Bishop Newman, who anticipates attending the Sunday School Convention in Jerusalem, the coming spring, be appointed a fraternal delegate. The motion was carried. Mrs. Pooley gave notice for change in Constitution. Article third, Membership, page 238, Annual Report, insert the words, "two cents a week" directly following the word of, striking out the word shall and adding the letter s to the word constitute, making the portion of the article read thus: The payment of two cents a week or one dollar annually constitutes membership.

This change is offered that the General and Auxiliary Constitutions may be the same. Mrs. Crandon gave notice of change authorizing the formation of a Branch embracing all the German Conferences which shall be known as the German Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. R. M. Moore, represented the Literature.

The following were introduced: Mrs. Dr. Bristol, of Washington; Mrs. J. M. Cornell, Treasurer of New York Branch; Miss Sadler, a returned Missionary from India of the Lutheran Missionary Board; Mrs. Scholl, an officer of the Woman's Board of the Lutheran Church and Rev. Dr. Pearce, editor of the Baltimore Methodist.

Miss Swormstedt, an accepted Missionary Candidate of the Cincinnati Branch, en route to Africa, was introduced. Mrs. Davis, President of the Cincinnati Branch, told the story of Miss Swormstedt's call to missionary work, after which all joined in singing the verse, "Roll on thou mighty ocean."

Mrs. Dr. Bristol, of Washington made an announcement in regard to the anticipated trip to Washington on Friday.

Local announcements were made, and the Committee adjourned by singing the doxology and benediction by Rev. Dr. Pearce.

SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1903

The General Executive Committee convened at the usual hour with the President in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the delegates of the Topeka Branch. The calling of the roll

was dispensed with. The Minutes were read, corrected and approved. The final report of the Missionary Candidate Committee was given by Mrs. Rockwell, Miss Freida Lorenz, of the New York Branch was recommended and accepted. The report of the Committee was then accepted as a whole. Some information was desired about obtaining the age of candidates, which matter was referred to the Reference Committee.

A telegram was read from Miss Mary L. Ninde, stating that owing to illness she had been unable to send a report of her work.

Mrs. Smith, Secretary of Publication Committee, presented a Constitution for District Associations. The first three items were adopted, the fourth in regard to making the District Meeting a delegated body drew out an animated discussion, and several changes were suggested, but the constitution was finally adopted as read. The last part of the item on programme was recommended to be inserted as a By-Law of District organizations. A Constitution for Children's Work was then presented. The first two items were adopted. The following item which was adopted, is to be inserted as a By-Law of the Society. There shall be a General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies, and a General Secretary of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers, who shall be elected each year by the General Executive Committee.

The item recommending that an edition of 12,000 copies of the General Executive Committee Report be printed with the price, ten cents, printed on the cover was adopted.

The item recommending that in all Branch Reports a table of cost for special work be inserted was adopted.

The next item recommended that the following be incorporated as a part of Article IV, page 245, in General Report. She shall have charge in connection with the Literature Committee of the exhibition and sale of our Literature at the various public gatherings and conventions throughout the country, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the Convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League or Student Volunteer, or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The item concerning the election of Miss Clara M. Cushman as General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies was adopted. Miss Cushman was elected.

The report of Publication Committee was then adopted as a whole. Mrs. Pooley, chairman of Literature Committee presented the following which was adopted.

WHEREAS, Some Branches have this year published leaflets of more than local interest, be it

Resolved; That all material of general interest be submitted to the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and that the Branches publish only such matter as is of Branch interest.

The following notice of change of Constitution was presented by Mrs. Thompson.

The first part of Article IX now reading, "any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society," shall be changed to read, "any number of women who shall contribute one dollar per year or two cents per week, may form a society."

The following was presented by the Literature Committee through Mrs. Pooley and adopted.

WHEREAS, The establishment of a Methodist Press Bureau is being agitated,

Resolved, That we recommend that the Branches consider the formation of what shall be known as the Press Bureau of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. It shall be composed of editorial secretaries, one for each official, semi-official, and unofficial organ of our Methodism, including, if possible, the associated daily press. To this editorial secretary, all reports and items of interest, home and foreign, shall be sent by the patronizing constituency of the individual paper.

The Railroad Committee, Mrs. R. E. Clark and Miss P. J. Walden, made a report that the expenses of the officers and delegates in attendance at the Committee had been reduced to the amount of about six hundred dollars by the certificate plan. A rising vote of thanks was tendered the committee for their efficient services.

A communication from the missionaries in attendance was read by the secretary. It referred to the employment and remuneration of Native and Eurasian workers coming to this country for education. They recommended that they be returned to their respective fields as Christian workers in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and not accredited as full missionaries, unless the conference to which they go shall by a two-thirds vote request such a relation, and that the salary of such workers be determined

by the Financial Committee of the Woman's Conference with which the workers are affiliated. A motion to lay on the table was lost, and after some discussion the item was adopted.

Mrs. Huston nominated the Board of Managers for 1904, who were unanimously elected.

Miss L. C. Rothweiler was re-elected Secretary of the German work. Mrs. Andrew Farrell was re-elected Secretary of Scandinavian work.

The report of the General Treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, was received and adopted. The money to meet these general expenses is an assessment of one and a half per cent. for adult members, and comes from the contingent fund of the Branches.

The place of holding the next session of the General Executive Committee was considered, and Miss Pearson extended an invitation to meet within the bounds of the Des Moines Branch, the place to be announced. The invitation was accepted with thanks.

A vacancy occurring in the Literature Committee by the expiration of time of Mrs. R. H. Pooley, a nomination was made from the central section of Mrs. Wm. Gamble, of Cincinnati, to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Gamble was elected. A word of appreciation of Mrs. Pooley's services was voiced by Mrs. Gracey, and the Committee gave Mrs. Pooley a rising vote of thanks.

Mrs. Gracey made some statements in regard to the endowed room at Clifton Springs. She reported that three of the Society's missionaries had spent some time there during the past year, two from China and one from Japan. She urged that all missionaries desiring to take advantage of the room should make application to Mrs. J. T. Gracey, and not to the officers of the Sanatorium.

Mrs. S. A. Hill, Associate Secretary of Baltimore Branch, was appointed to prepare the annual report of the society.

Miss Todd, formerly of West China, was appointed Field Secretary. Mrs. Abel Bliss and Mrs. Legg were appointed a committee to arrange for her itinerary. The following arrangement was submitted and accepted.

For January, February and March, Philadelphia Branch. April, May and June, New England Branch. July, New York Branch. August, vacation. September and October, Des Moines Branch. November and December, Topeka Branch. Any person desiring her services must apply to an officer of the Branch.

Miss Holt moved that when the Committee adjourned, it be to meet at 1.30 o'clock. The motion prevailed. The suggestion was made that all missionaries attend the afternoon service.

Mrs. Eaton stated that Dr. Ukai, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, in Tokyo, Japan, who had been in attendance at the committee was about to leave. His mother had been converted through the influence of the Society's Missionaries, and he donated a dollar to the treasury. It was moved and carried that Dr. Ukai be made an honorary member of Grace Church Auxiliary, Baltimore Branch, which motion prevailed. Local Committees made announcements, and Dr. Colt made some remarks, stating that the sessions of the Committee had been a great blessing to the church and the city, leaving behind it a spiritual fragrance.

Miss Walden represented the Literature. The Committee then adjourned by singing the doxology and benediction by Rev. Dr. Colt.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON, 1.30

The opening devotional exercises were conducted by missionaries. Business was taken up. The Secretary was excused from reading the minutes. Mrs. Nind asked permission which was granted to take a collection to make Dr. Ukai's mother a life member of the Society by the payment of twenty dollars, which was very quickly raised.

Miss Baldwin, in charge of the Literature table announced that she had received \$175.90 as result of sales, had taken 13 subscribers to the "Missionary Friend," and 38 subscribers to the "Children's Friend."

The number of Annual Reports to be issued and their distribution having been postponed from the morning until the afternoon, Miss Walden made some statements, and a motion was made that the Reports be sent to the Depots of Supplies, at the ratio of two to an auxiliary, which motion prevailed.

The Committee on Resolutions presented a report which was read by the chairman, Mrs. Mitchell, and adopted by a rising vote. Instructions were given that the resolutions be furnished to the daily papers. (See resolutions.) A series of resolutions were read by Mrs. Ruth Sites Brown from the missionaries in attendance and adopted. (See resolutions.)

The President called upon the Secretaries of the various Branches to announce the appropriations for the coming year.

New England	\$34,000
New York	76,200
Philadelphia	45,000
Baltimore	16,150
Cincinnati	55,000
Northwestern	110,000
Des Moines	52,661
Minneapolis	19,399
Topeka	26,779
Pacific	17,041
Columbia River	7,300
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	\$459,530

The largest appropriation ever made by any one Branch was announced by the Secretary of the Northwestern Branch, which announcement was received with much enthusiasm.

This concluded the business of the Committee. The President called upon Mrs. Keen, Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch to conduct the closing devotional exercises. The 587th hymn, "Soldiers of Christ arise," was sung, after which Mrs. Mary C. Nind led in prayer. Mrs. Keen made an address and offered a closing prayer, and the thirty-fourth session of the General Executive Committee then adjourned.

MRS. J. T. GRACEY, Secretary.

Proposed Changes in Constitution

Notice of the following changes in Constitution were given at the General Executive Committee held in Baltimore, 1903.

Article III.—Membership, Insert the words, "two cents a week" directly following the word of, striking out the word shall and adding the letter s to the word constitute, making the article read, the payment of two cents a week or one dollar annually constitutes membership.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. H. POOLEY.

The first part of Article IX now reading, "any number of women who shall contribute annually, may form a society," shall be changed to read, "any number of women who shall contribute one dollar per year or two cents per week, may form a society."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. THOMPSON.

The formation of a Branch embracing all the German Conferences which shall be known as the German Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. F. P. CRANDON.

Resolutions Adopted by General Executive Committee

LITERATURE AT CONVENTIONS.

WHEREAS, There is a growing demand for the exhibition and sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions held yearly throughout the country,

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of Literature within whose borders the convention is held to have the entire charge of all such exhibitions and sales, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League, Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. 1901.

EXPENSES OF DELEGATES.

In order to meet the traveling expenses of officers, delegates and missionaries to the General Executive meetings and other legitimate expenses in connection with the general work of the society,

Resolved, That a sum equal to one and one-half cents per member, not including young woman's and children's societies, shall be paid by the Branches annually to the General Treasurer of the Society. 1901.

PERMANENT FUND FOR FOLTS INSTITUTE.

WHEREAS, The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has received the magnificent gift of Folts Institute at Herkimer, N. Y., believing that it should become a great factor in our work; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend that a fund called the "Permanent Scholarship Fund" be raised to provide for the expenses of such pupils of Folts Institute as are unable to meet their expenses, and that we recommend this appointment: one hundred dollars for each District of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; one hundred dollars for each Conference in the Northwestern Branch; fifty dollars for each Conference in the

Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches, and one hundred dollars each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches—to be raised within three years. We further recommend that, as far as practicable, gifts from individuals rather than from auxiliaries be solicited in the raising of this fund. 1901.

MISSIONARY BED.

Resolved, That, as a body, we appreciate most highly the gift from Mrs. Henry Foster, of Clifton Springs, of a partially endowed missionary bed in the Sanitarium for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, in memory of her late husband, the room to be available to the missionaries of the Society at home broken in health, expecting to return to their fields. 1901.

DELEGATES.

Resolved, That no woman not elected delegate or alternate by her Branch to the General Executive Committee shall be admitted as a member of said committee. 1902.

REPORTS.

Resolved, That reports presented by the various committees and individuals authorized by the General Executive Committee shall be limited to ten minutes in length of reading. 1902.

PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed whose duty it shall be to define the work that properly comes before the Publication Committee. 1903. (See minutes, 5th day.)

LITERATURE.

Resolved, That the literature on sale at the meeting of the General Executive Committee shall be under the supervision of the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and of the Branch in the bounds of which it is held. 1903.

RECOMMENDATION.

The Literature Committee recommend that the Branches consider the formation of what shall be known as the Press Bureau of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. This Bureau shall be composed of editorial secretaries, one for each official, semi-official and unofficial organ of our Methodism, including if possible, the associated daily press. To this editorial secretary, all reports and items of interest, home and foreign, shall be sent by the patronizing constituency of the individual paper. 1903.

Resolutions of Missionaries

We, the missionaries present at the meeting of the General Executive Committee, feeling that especial care and kindness have been shown us by the pastor of Grace Church, by our hostesses, the entertainment committee, the Woman's College and the various churches of the city, take this means of expressing our deep appreciation of the warm southern hospitality, which has made the whole of Baltimore, a "home" to us; our thanks for the beautiful souvenir which will be a reminder in our various fields of labor of the charming homes, the kind hearts, the historical interest and bright skies of Baltimore; our enjoyment of the meetings, of the personal touch with the officers and other home-workers, which has given us an inspiration to deeper consecration and nobler service.

(Signed) M. E. VICKERY, Rome, Italy.

NETTIE M. HYDE, Jabalpur, India.

ELLA J. HEWITT, Hakodate, Japan.

Special Resolutions

We, a committee of missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and the wives of members of the General Society, beg leave to present the following resolutions to the Reference Committee:

WHEREAS, The number of native and Eurasian workers coming to our home colleges for training, is yearly increasing, and

WHEREAS, We realize that the status of these workers, and their remuneration is a question of such grave importance to the work at present as well as to the future, when the native church must assume the obligations which we create, and

WHEREAS, The law of supply and demand should determine values rather than personal predilections therefore, be it

Resolved, That we recommend that the Eurasian, Anglo-Indian and native workers educated in foreign lands, be returned to their respective fields as christian workers in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and *not* as fully accredited missionaries, unless the conference to which they go, by a two-thirds vote request such a relation.

II.—That the remuneration of such workers shall be determined by the finance committee of the woman's conference with which these workers are affiliated.

III.—That we recommend that those who contemplate the education of native, Eurasian or Anglo-Indian women in the Methodist schools of our homeland, be required to secure the approval of the woman's conference within whose borders such students reside.

Signed by Missionaries,

Endorsed by Finance Committee.

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Grateful to our Heavenly Father who has so signally blessed the labors of the past year in giving us the largest harvest in our history, we, the members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in General Executive Committee convened on historic ground in this most beautiful city of Baltimore, known for its palatial homes and christian hospitality, the cradle of Methodism and the birthplace of our national anthem, "The Star Spangled Banner," do rejoice that we have been able to place almost a half million dollars in the treasury of the Lord for His work.

"It is the Lord's doings and it is marvelous."

Resolved, That we appreciate the onerous labors of our General Officers, Branch Secretaries and Missionaries who have in a large measure made the year's work possible, and this session one of the best in our history.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God in sparing the lives of two of the original founders of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Mrs. Dr. Wm. Butler and Mrs. Thos. Kingsbury, and permitting them to be with us in this meeting.

WHEREAS, So many positions of importance have been made vacant during the year by translations to the church triumphant of members of our ranks, who have endeared themselves to us because of their executive ability, wisdom, benevolence, spiritual culture and personal loveliness,

Resolved, That we will endeavor to emulate their virtues and more diligently do our Father's business, remembering the white harvest field and the brevity of human life.

WHEREAS, Mrs. M. S. Huston, for sixteen years Corresponding Secretary of the Des Moines Branch, has moved her residence from the bounds of that Branch, therefore

Resolved, That we congratulate her on the splendid record she has made of thorough, loving service and rejoice that she may still aid in the work in another Branch, and that we welcome her successor, praying that the work may prosper in her hands.

Resolved, That we regret the necessity which has compelled Miss Mary L. Ninde to resign her office as Secretary of Young Woman's

Work and Standard Bearers, and that we express our appreciation of her efficiency and give unstinted sympathy to her in the great sorrow which has fallen to her lot, and pray for her speedy recovery to health and strength.

Resolved, That we extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. E. B. Stevens, Corresponding Secretary of the Baltimore Branch, for her thoughtfulness in anticipating the varied needs of the Executive Committee, proving herself fertile in expedients and unflagging in her endeavors to make us comfortable, and especially for her generosity in preparing for us the beautiful souvenir of Methodism.

To Mrs. Samuel Alexander Hill, general chairman of local committees, who, by her wisdom, alertness and skill in looking after details, has been to us a training in christian courtesy.

To Mrs. A. H. Eaton and the other hostesses, who, by their cordiality and words of gracious appreciation have made us feel that we were being served indeed by members of the Royal family, daughters of the King; to Mrs. J. T. King, chairman of the lunch committee, who, in an incomparable manner has administered to our temporal wants; to Miss Eva Adams, chairman of music committee, who has been so prompt, faithful and efficient, and to the choirs and soloists who have entertained us by their excellent vocal numbers; to the chairmen of the various committees who have done so much for our comfort; to the courteous officials of the Postoffice; to the Press which has so correctly reported the proceedings, and to the railroads who have served us so liberally; to the Ushers who have been untiring; to the Sextons of both churches, and to all others who have helped to please the eye and cheer the heart; to the Presbyterian Church for the privilege of its use for committee meetings; to the women of Washington District who generously planned a day in the Capital of the United States, to culminate in a reception by the President.

Resolved, That we appreciate the brotherly kindness of the ministers of the city who opened their pulpits on Sabbath to our representatives, and without whose aid the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society would be well nigh impossible.

Resolved, That our thanks are especially due to the pastor of this church, Dr. Don S. Colt, who has proved himself a true Shepherd of Israel, joyfully fulfilling the apostolic injunction, "Help those women which labored with me in the Gospel."

Resolved, That the pleasure of our visit has been greatly enhanced by the President of the Woman's College of Baltimore, the Rev. John F. Goucher, D.D., who gave us a charming social evening within the College Halls.

WHEREAS, The friends who have entertained us have literally given us the freedom of their hospitable homes, providing for our comfort as if we were indeed sisters beloved and not strangers.

Resolved, That we will cherish holy and happy memories of this meeting throughout all time, and we will ever pray that the blessing of Almighty God may be upon these "Vestibules of Heaven," even as it rested in olden times upon the house of Obed Edom, wherein the Ark of the Covenant rested.

MRS. GEO. B. SMYTH.
MRS. IDA M. MITCHELL.
MRS. H. L. WRISTON.

Report of Publication Committee

I.—*Resolved*, That in the "Woman's Missionary Friend," the "Children's Missionary Friend," and the "Frauen-Missions-Freund," we possess an important and growing force in our work; interest is created and increased wherever they are faithfully read. We rejoice that the subscriptions to our periodicals still continue to increase—the past year the increase amounting to over 4,000, therefore

II.—*Resolved*, That we will not relax our efforts to reach our goal, which is one subscriber to the "Woman's Missionary Friend" for every five members of our society, fifty thousand for the "Children's Missionary Friend," and five thousand for the "Frauen-Missions-Freund." To this end we recommend the continuance and emphasizing of the plan adopted two years ago, which plan was as follows:

Each Branch Secretary of literature shall write a personal letter to each Conference Secretary, urging the matter of circulation, and asking that special effort be made to bring up the circulation to the figures named. Each Conference Secretary shall write to each District Secretary, and she in turn to each auxiliary agent for the "Friends," such agents being requested to ask every woman in our church to take these papers. These agents, having completed the canvass should report to the District Secretary, the District Secretary to the Conference Secretary, and the Conference Secretary to the Branch Secretary of literature, who shall report to the "Friend," thus completing the circuit. In the Branches where the office or agent of periodicals is recognized, the correspondence, as indicated above, shall be carried on by those officers rather than the secretaries named.

III.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that for every ten new subscriptions or for every fifteen subscriptions, new or old, to the "Woman's Missionary Friend," one additional copy be given, provided the entire list be sent to the publisher at one time.

IV.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that the Secretary of Literature in every Branch make special effort to introduce the "Frauen-

Missions-Freund," among students of German, in all seminaries and colleges in her territory, that it always be found on our tables of literature, and that twice a year it be enlarged to twelve pages.

V.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that each time a list of the missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society appears in the "Woman's Missionary Friend" that it be followed with the names of the wives of missionaries who also have charge of work under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

VI.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the continuance in office of Miss Louise M. Hodgkins as editor of the "Woman's Missionary Friend," of Mrs. O. W. Scott as editor of the "Children's Missionary Friend," of Miss A. M. Achard as editor of the "Frauen-Missions-Freund," of Miss Elizabeth Northup as editor of the "Study," and of Miss Pauline J. Walden as publisher.

VII.—*Resolved*, That the editor of the "Woman's Missionary Friend" be allowed \$50, and the editor of the "Children's Missionary Friend," \$25 for special contributions.

VIII.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that the following salaries be paid for the ensuing year: To the editor of the "Woman's Missionary Friend," \$700; to the editor of the "Children's Missionary Friend," \$300; to the editor of the "Frauen-Missions-Freund," \$250; to the editor of the "Study," \$100; to the publisher, \$700.

IX.—*Resolved*, That we recommend an edition of 12,000 copies of the 34th Annual Report, the price, ten cents, to be printed on the cover.

X.—*Resolved*, That 30,000 copies of the abridged Annual Report, by Mrs. J. T. Gracey, be printed and distributed as free leaflets to auxiliaries, the Conference Secretaries furnishing a copy to each pastor.

WHEREAS, There is a growing demand by all Christian workers for figures and facts,

XI.—*Resolved*, That a page in the Annual Report be given to a tabulated statement of the number of missionaries, native teachers, bible-women, pupils, colleges, schools, orphanages and hospitals, for ready reference, and that up-to-date maps of our mission fields continue to be inserted.

WHEREAS, At Branch and District meetings, literature has been sold independently,

XII.—*Resolved*, That only our authorized agents sell literature at such meetings.

XIII.—*Resolved*, That the literature on sale at the meeting of the General Executive Committee, shall be under the supervision of the Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and of the Branch in the bounds of which it is held.

XIV.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that the following be incorporated as a part of Article IV, page 245: She shall have charge in connection with the Literature Committee of the Exhibition and Sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions throughout the country, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. For Article VIII: When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League, Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

WHEREAS, The Prayer Calendar for 1904, presents a comprehensive view of every phase of missionary work,

XV.—*Resolved*, That we congratulate the editors on the value of its references and illustrations, and urge each Branch to circulate the calendar as a means of education.

XVI.—*Resolved*, That the issue of the Prayer Calendar for 1905 be four thousand copies.

XVII.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that not only the Annual Report and all Branch Reports be printed in dark blue on light blue covers, with the title and year printed on the back, but recommend also that the cover of the Calendar, all District, Conference and Auxiliary programs, have the colors adopted by our Society, and bear our motto and seal.

XVIII.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that a By-Law be inserted in the By-Laws of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to be known as By-Law V, and to read as follows:

There shall be a General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, and a General Secretary of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers, who shall be elected each year by the General Executive Committee. Adopted.

XIX.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the election of Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison as General Secretary of Children's work, including Little Light Bearers.

XX.—*Resolved*, That with continued appreciation we express our gratitude to Mr. A. S. Weed, as auditor, for valuable service willingly given, and recommend his reappointment.

XXI.—*Resolved*, That \$100 be appropriated and placed at the disposal of the Literature Committee, for use in the purchase of manuscript.

XXII.—We recommend that the treasurer of the Minneapolis Branch be authorized to draw on the funds of the Publishing House for \$75 to be used in the interest of literature for the Scandinavian work, the same to be at the order of a committee composed of the secretary of the Minneapolis Branch and the secretary of Scandinavian work.

XXIII.—*Resolved*, That we express our gratitude to Dr. William Henschen, for granting us four columns of space semi-monthly in the "Sandebudet," to represent the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

XXIV.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the insertion of a clause in the By-Laws of the General Executive Committee, covering the following two points:

First, The manner of nomination and election of General Officers and Secretaries of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearers, and Children's Work.

Second, An outline of the duties of the Publication Committee.

XXV.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the election of Miss Clara M. Cushman as General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer companies.

XXVI.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the publication by each Branch of blank forms of Bequests of Devise of Real Estate and Annuity for use of our officers in the work of the Society.

XXVII.—*Resolved*, That we recommend the insertion in all Branch Annual Reports of a table stating extremes of cost for special work, such as Bible-women, orphans and scholarships.

XXVIII.—*Resolved*, That we recommend an earnest united effort to carry out the plan decided upon two years ago by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, for creating a permanent scholarship fund for Folts Mission Institute, which plan is as follows: \$100 for each District of the New England, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Cincinnati Branches; \$100 for each Conference in the Northwestern Branch; \$50 for each Conference in the Minneapolis, Des Moines and Topeka Branches; and \$100 each for the Pacific and Columbia River Branches, to be raised within three years. We further recommend that as far as practicable gifts from individuals, rather than from auxiliaries, be solicited in the raising of this fund.

XXIX.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that missionary candidates shall be required to attend our Foreign Missionary Training

School, Folts Mission Institute, at Herkimer, N. Y. for at least one year. In exceptional cases the Branch standing committee on candidates shall have power to suspend this rule.

XXX.—*Resolved*, That we recommend that returned missionaries spend at least six months at the Institute.

MISS ELIZABETH PEARSON, *Chairman*.

MRS. MARY PRICE SMITH, *Secretary*.

Report of Committee on Missionary Candidates

The applications and endorsements of the following candidates were received and accepted by the committee:

New York Branch—Miss La Dora Deavitt, Willsboro, N. Y.; Miss Jennie V. Hughes, South Orange, N. J.; Miss Freida V. Lorenz, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Miss Bertha R. Wood, Lima, Peru, S. A.

Cincinnati Branch—Miss Emma J. Beton, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Nora Belle Waugh, Delaware, Ohio.

Northwestern Branch—Miss Grace A. Crooks, Charlotte, Mich.; Miss Eleanor S. Moore, Nashville, Tenn.; Miss Susan A. Walker, Chicago, Ill.

Des Moines Branch—Miss Mamie Glassburner, Charter Oak, Iowa; Miss Lydia Pool, Mount Pleasant, Iowa; Miss May Hu, Foochow, China.

Minneapolis Branch—Miss Anna Stone, Foochow, China.

Accepted by Reference Committee during the year:

New England Branch—Miss Adalaide Siddall, Albion, Mich.

New York Branch—Miss Maud E. Saxe, Miss Agnes Saxe, Walden, N. Y.; Miss Grace B. Travis, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Philadelphia Branch—Miss Norma H. Fenderich, Allegheny, Pa.

Cincinnati Branch—Miss Virginia Swormstedt, Wyoming, Ohio; Miss Ida May Cartwright, Youngstown, Ohio; Miss Hester A. Thomas, Lancaster, Ohio; Mrs. S. M. Eddy, Medina, Ohio.

Northwestern Branch—Miss Dorothy Jones, Joliet, Ill.; Miss Alice M. Northup, Evanston, Ill.; Miss L. Maud Wheeler, Lake Mills, Wis.; Miss Jessie I. Peters, Chicago, Ill.; Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Wiles; Miss Helen Hewitt, Elgin, Ill.; Miss Edith M. Crane, Minneapolis; Miss Mary E. Olson, Afton, Minnesota; Miss Mabel Lee, Grand Forks, North Dakota.

We endorse the action of the Reference Committee.

MISS FANNIE J. SPARKES, *Chairman*.

MRS. L. E. ROCKWELL, *Secretary*.

Report of Committee on Badge, Seal and Crest

Your committee did not wait to return from the Minneapolis Executive of 1902 before making arrangements at Chicago to put the badge, seal and crest in the hands of the various Branches, as directed by this body. The results have been as follows:

Total number of pins ordered to date.....	4,000
Total number of pins received from C. D. Peacock.....	3,600
Total number of pins ordered, not delivered.....	400
Total number of pins received from C. D. Peacock.....	3,600
Total number of pins sent Branches.....	3,080
Total number of pins in hands of Committee.....	320
C. D. Peacock's invoices to date.....	\$2,894.41
Total paid thereon.....	1,614.41
Balance not paid.....	\$1,280.00
Total realized on pins and electros delivered Branches (including one sample pin, \$1).....	\$2,634.96
Total cost of pins and electros delivered Branches.....	2,478.41
Surplus for General Executive Contingent Fund.....	\$156.55
Gross surplus for General Executive Contingent Fund.....	\$156.55
Expenses Committee.....	17.82
Net surplus.....	\$138.73
Total received from pins and electros delivered Branches....	\$2,634.96
Total paid thereon by Branches.....	1,818.98
Balance not paid by Branches.....	\$815.98
Total cash received from sale pins and electros.....	\$1,818.98
Total disbursements.....	1,632.23
Balance cash in hands of Committee.....	\$186.75

The committee, in presenting this report, recommend that the business, now on a firm basis, be placed in the general office in Boston, Mass.

MISS L. M. HODGKINS.

MRS. R. E. CLARK.

MISS NINA LINCOLN

Report of Literature Committee

One more year's work for Jesus,
One less of life for me;
But Heaven is nearer,
And Christ is dearer
Than last year—to me—

And let me add to our motto, Saved for Service, "Love lives to serve" and wherein we have failed to serve, it has not been for lack of love. Ideals lead us on and work for Christ, for love, for heaven, though falling far short of our ideals will bring forth fruit mayhap—a hundred fold.

If anyone could have foretold the future to this committee as we parted in that beautiful city of Minneapolis one year ago, each in turn would have cried out as did old Nokomis, "Wahonowin! Wahonowin!"

Flood and destruction of property, sickness followed by eternal life, known here as death, have entered our homes, and the sun goes on its journey of day and night in a routine known only to the waiting heart. Ofttimes the messages have been sent over the country from aching hearts and heads, but we remembered the kindly constituency that welcomed the printed page sent out by this committee and took courage.

We have completed the first trio of years under what will ever be known as the new regime of Literature Work in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Only one member of the former Literature Committee, your present chairman, was left to face the new problem, and during these three years she has had at different times, five different helpers, only one of whom has been able to serve two years. Hence we feel that in this time, but a faint idea has been obtained of what can be accomplished by this sectional representation.

The growth of this department of literature has been marvelous. In one Branch alone, the sales this year have increased \$1,000, or more than double those of two years ago.

The report and samples of literature from Japan, sent by Miss Georgiana Baucus, are a delight to our souls. She says: For a week

or ten days we had our literature on view at our rooms in the hotel at Karuizawa, selling and taking orders and consulting with other workers. We have returned from this trip, full of enthusiasm and fresh energy to write and translate and print with all diligence and speed, to supply the constantly increasing demand for christian literature. The walls of prejudice have fallen, people are ready to hear and ready to read, and the limitless opportunities that stretch out before us are tempting beyond description. It is a grand time to be a worker in Japan. Miss Baucus reports 16 new publications, 12 reprints, total, 519,800 pages, 276,000 cards.

The Woman's Conference Minutes and other publications are as reported last year, and we also acknowledge with pleasure, the receipt of many sample programs and various college announcements.

The report of the German Literature as presented by the Secretary, Miss Rothweiler, is very satisfactory indeed. All the expenses of this department were met from sales, which amounted to \$125, a small increase over last year. The "Study" is printed, the "German Friend" and some of the younger people have made use of "Lux Christi."

There have been published from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903:

4,000 Annual Reports, 28 pp. each.....	112,000
2,000 Widows in India.....	32,000
300 Constitutions for Young Ladies and Standard Bearer Companies	1,200
300 Constitutions for King's Heralds.....	7,200
2,000 King's Heralds Cards.....	2,000
300 Circular Letters.....	600

Total pages 149,000, Annual Reports sent to Europe 1450, retained in America 2550, Annual Reports sold 1319.

We welcome with pleasure the first report of leaflets for our Swedish constituency. 88,000 pages have been sent out by Mrs. Andrew Farrell and Mrs. Wm. Henschen, of Chicago has edited four columns of missionary reading in the church paper, "Sandebundet."

We find our work in this department has classified itself in the following manner:

The literature published at Boston, that issued by the individual Branches, that by our German constituency, by our Swedish constituency, and that issued upon the Foreign Field.

The leaflets bearing upon the Lesson Topics, as issued at Boston have been, "The Annual Leaflet Report," prepared by Mrs. J. T.

Gracey, "A Glance at Mohammedanism," compiled by Miss E. C. Northup, "Glimpses of Loftcha Girls' School" by Miss Dora Davis. Some stories of "Bible Translation" by Mrs. M. S. Budlong and "Among the Bhotiyas and Their Neighbors," by Miss E. C. M. Browne. An Open Letter of four pages and a leaflet entitled "Help in Young People's Missionary Work," have been sent out for the most part free. These were prepared by our able Secretary of Young Woman's Work, Miss Mary L. Ninde.

The Children's Work has been aided by "Mother Goose and Her Family as Mission Workers," and the completion of the "Pioneer Series," by Mrs. O. W. Scott. "Gilt Edge Bits of China," compiled by Mrs. Scott, from the "Children's Missionary Friend," and "Little Lend a Hand," by Bettie Duval Baker.

The King's Herald blanks, constitution, membership cards, program, letters, envelopes, section of brick wall, rituals and music, were prepared by the Superintendent of Children's Work. The "King's Herald Manual" was prepared by Miss Frances J. Baker.

The Little Light Bearers' Window, Cheer and Greeting cards, were prepared by the Superintendent of Children's Work.

Again we send you a Calendar which we believe will prove of help in daily prayer. A beautiful new song, "Who will tell the eleven," adds grace to our collection of gems.

Once more have our faithful Branch Secretaries of Literature made a thorough canvass for subscribers to our "Friend," and with the hearty co-operation of our editor in giving us articles upon our Lesson Topics, with one accord we intend to make our "Friend" as indispensable to the industrial member of the auxiliary, as is The Chautauquan to the Chautauqua student.

After several years of well laid plans, we are delighted that we are able to give you a short, practical, up-to-date Reading Course for the children. (See October "Friend.")

As to the publications in the various Branches literally, millions of pages have been sent free to our readers as well as many excellent paid leaflets and Quarterlies. The best and most important book was issued by the Des Moines Branch. It is entitled "The Missionaries of the Des Moines Branch" by Mrs. Mary L. Huston and Kate E. Moss, a book of 125 pages. For further information upon Branch work, see December "Friend" and tabulated report.

Special thanks are due the loyal women who have so nobly given of the power of their pen to this literature department, and enabled us to report an expenditure of only \$25 for manuscript work, and less than \$100 for the past three years.

In this report we can give you but a glance at the year's work, but our hopes are bright for the future, and as we lay aside for a time at least the active recognition of joyous service, we add these beautiful words, "The Lord watch between me and thee, while we are absent one from the other."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. H. POOLEY, *Chairman.*

FINANCIAL REPORT OF LITERATURE.

By Cash paid for Leaflets	\$1,444.90
" " " " Calendars	680.19
" " " " Leaflet Report	114.26
" " " " Books	935.17
" " " " K. H. Supplies.....	909.48
" " " " L. L. Bearers.....	82.39
" " " " Certificate	4.50
" " " " Express and Postage.....	468.79
" " " " Traveling and Postage Expense of Committee	173.93
" " " " Office Help.....	468.42
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	\$5,282.03
To Cash Received for all Literature.....	3,982.16
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Cash Deficit.....	\$1,299.87
Literature on Hand.....	\$1,220.25
Bills Due	305.50
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	\$1,525.75
Cash Deficit.....	1,299.87
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	\$225.88

ELIZABETH C. NORTHUP, *Treasurer.*

FIRST TABULATED REPORT OF BRANCH WORK IN LITERATURE
DEPARTMENT, OCTOBER 1, 1903.

	New England	New York	Phila- delphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	North- western	Des Moines	Minne- apolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River
Sale of Literature at Annual Confer- ences		\$306	\$25		\$50	\$506	\$364	\$70	\$69	\$14	\$7
Sale of Literature at District Associa- tions			\$55								
Sale of Literature at Branch Meeting of 1903	\$125	\$142	\$146	\$73	\$215	\$268	\$232	\$69	\$110	\$56	\$40
Total Sales of Literature at Depots of Supplies	\$1,168	\$610	\$105	\$284	\$1,220	\$1,837	\$1,002	\$503	\$854	\$168	\$59
Total Receipts from all sources of sup- plies	\$1,336	\$917	\$1,269	\$284	\$1,220	\$3,477	\$1,632	\$624	\$854	\$409	\$312
Number of gatherings at which Litera- ture has been on sale	16	37	4	13	32	67	38	14	16	11	7
Total Receipts from the same	\$126	\$456	\$226	\$70	\$265	\$782	\$629	\$315	\$197	\$70	\$47
Number of copies of Lux Christi sold	667	540	573	250	1,000	2,100	1,295	456	855	207	175
" " Calendars	175	500	480	240	139	996	1,266	250	161	50	125
" " Branch Annuals Printed	2,050	1,948	2,100	2,000	3,400	4,000	1,500	1,000	1,500	500	850
Number of pages in each	100	128	118	100	104	166	116	80	48	50	42
Cost of the same	\$219	\$526	\$230	\$176	\$308	\$531	\$85	\$115	\$35	\$101	\$60
Number of different leaflets printed	1	1	4	9	1	10	5	3	1	1	1
Number leaflets sent out free	17,877	75,000	1	23,000	1	282,300	2	1	1	1	1
of pages of literature sent free		200,000	13,000	234,550		1,129,200	2,000	5,400	46	6	9
Number of Printed Programs	50	111		9	64	190	81	14			
having completed the Reading											
course for 1903	25	34	45	14	14	25	10	11	9	3	
Number of mite boxes sent out	3,279	5,000	1,127	2,080	12,957	17,743	1,404	2,000	2,423	611	1,000
Cost		\$23	\$49 50	\$45	\$11	\$10		\$17 85			5
Number of cities having Missionary Volumes in their libraries	26	7		2	19	105	1	7	14	1	4
Sales at General Executive, 1903				\$190							

LESSON TOPICS FOR 1904

The lessons for February, March, April, October, November and December are on China, in accord with the United Study of Missions. The Text Book is REX CHRISTUS, by Rev. Arthur H. Smith, D D., Macmillan Company, New York.

- January.* By this + Sign we Conquer. The World for Christ. Tokens of Victory during 1903. Latest News from our Missions. The Claims of Today. Opportunities and Obstacles.
- February.* The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in North China. Chapter I. A Self-Centered Empire.
- March.* The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in Central China. Chapter II. The Religions of China. Sub-Topic—Thank Offering.
- April.* Methodist Episcopal Missionary Endeavors in China. Chapter III. The People of China. Sub-Topic—Easter Joy.
- May.* Medical Work the Golden Key. Our Hospitals, First Women Physicians of The Orient. Sub-Topic—South America.
- June.* The Higher Education in Evangelization. Woman's Foreign Missionary Kindergartens, High Schools and Colleges, Mission Ships. Sub-Topic—Standard Bearers at Home and Abroad.
- July.* Our Periodicals. The Native Press. How and Why I became interested in Foreign Missions Leaflet. The Zenana or Woman's Friend of two decades, 1884—1904.
- August.* Industrial Training in Missionary Work. Industries of Oriental Women. Sub-Topic—Burma.
- September.* Strategic Points in Missionary Conquest. The Power of Prayer in Missions. Notable Answers to Prayer. Sub-Topic—Straits Settlements.
- October.* Up-to-Date China. Chapter IV. Christian Missions.
- November.* The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in South China. Chapter V. Christian Missions, Woman's Work.
- December.* Personations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Missionaries in China. Chapter VI. The Open Door of Opportunity. Sub-Topic—Christmas Cheer.

Report of Home Work

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH

Includes the New England States.

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When, one year ago, we were induced to take the position the duties of which had been so long and faithfully performed by another, we were comforted in the thought that our dear Mrs. Alderman was still in our midst, and would aid us with her counsel and prayers. In this we have not been disappointed, and as we have left her after an interview, we have earnestly prayed that the same sweet spirit of devotion, the same unwavering faith in God, might characterize our prosecution of these duties. Although feeble in body, her interest is unabated in all that pertains to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to which she has devoted so many years of service.

At our last General Executive Committee Meeting we were forced to exceed the amount voted by our branch for appropriations for the foreign field. Our receipts during the year have not reached this amount. Much prayer has ascended to the throne of God, great efforts on the part of the secretaries have been put forth, but we have failed to reach our aim.

Although the financial results are not so large as we could desire, we believe that great advance has been made in unifying our interests, and in spreading broadcast information of our methods of work, and of the objects to which our funds are devoted. We quote from the report of our Home Secretary: "The general lack of

growth in New England Protestant churches because of the influx of foreigners of another faith and the departure of many of our most active young people has affected our Society, yet we must rejoice to know that those trained in New England are going to help the other branches where they are eagerly welcomed."

The branch meetings have been occasions of unusual interest, and have been quite largely attended. The programs have included some unique features, and a lively interest has been manifested in the various topics discussed.

At our Anniversary meeting, there was a larger representation than usual of conference and district officers, who were alert and eager to study the best and wisest methods for the awakening of and preserving interest in foreign missions. A spirit of unity, of prayer and of deep consecration characterized all the sessions and services, and the influence of the "Quiet Hours" will remain with us throughout the year. Mrs. Butler's emphatic exclamation, "Hosanna, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!" made us feel that never again could we be discouraged in this work that belongs to the Lord.

We were favored with addresses by Mrs. Moore, Miss Nichols, Mrs. Wilkinson, Miss Sites and Mrs. Brown. A Round Table was admirably conducted by Miss Northup, when many topics of interest relative to the extension and advancement of our work were discussed in a spirited manner. Much to our consternation and grief, five of our long-time faithful and efficient branch officers felt compelled to lay down their duties. These places have been filled by others who courageously take up these duties with a deep sense of the great responsibility resting upon them. We trust that rich and abundant blessings may come to them as they endeavor to do the Master's bidding.

There have been several itineracies through the branch which have been productive of good results. Having no missionary of our own at home during most of the year, it has been very difficult to secure help from this source. Missionary speakers are urgently asked for, but as these workers are at home for rest and recuperation, it seems cruel to draw upon their time and strength for such service.

We are strongly of the opinion that many of our home workers could do effective service along this line if they would study thoroughly our organization, read comprehensively our literature, keep closely in touch with the foreign field by looking watchfully for the information now to be obtained almost everywhere, thus becoming saturated, as it were, with missionary knowledge, and filled with a

true missionary zeal, so that they could speak with such enthusiasm that their hearers might be led to ask, "When did you return from the foreign field?" With such speakers in the field, surely we might secure many members from those yet unawakened to the great needs of heathendom.

To our Headquarters many callers and visitors have come during the year, and none have gone away without an effort being made to interest them in our society and its ever present needs. The sales of literature and supplies have been larger than in any former year, which shows the desire of many to gain information. The study of *Lux Christi* has been carried on with vigor in many auxiliaries, and India will cease to be an unknown country to some of our members.

The Thank Offering was carefully planned, and was devoted to our teachers and assistants.

Good Friday was observed as a Day of Prayer, a leaflet being prepared and sent throughout the branch.

The Standard Bearers' Work in one conference has been very prosperous, but in others there has been no great gain, owing perhaps to a less careful organization and supervision by the auxiliaries.

The new supplies for the King's Heralds have met with high praise, and the workers are encouraged by such helps to their hands.

There has been a gain in the Little Light Bearers' membership, which shows that this peculiarly interesting field is being cultivated.

Our German and Swedish sisters have brought in good reports, the latter having contributed a good sum towards the building in Pakur, India.

With our branch are affiliated one auxiliary in Peking, China, reporting thirty members and ten auxiliaries in Mexico with two hundred members.

There have been several changes in our corps of twenty-one missionaries. Last April, Miss Stearne, of the Isabella Thoburn College, was married to Prof. Badley, and remains in Lucknow.

In May, Miss Croucher returned from Tientsin, China, to this country and later was married to Dr. G. H. Packard of Medford, Mass. In the same month, Miss Miller of Pyeng Yang, Korea, returned to this country on account of ill health.

Miss Nichols of the Isabella Thoburn College, Lucknow, is at home on furlough, and Mrs. Scranton still remains in this country unable to resume her loved work in Korea.

Miss Kneeland, of Montevideo has suffered from the damp climate of that city, and will doubtless be obliged to relinquish her work at the close of the school year if not sooner.

Miss Hemingway's furlough is nearly due, and Misses Collier and Hartford should have a rest ere they break entirely.

In the spring, Miss Glover overworked, and for a time, was quite ill, but the last reports show some gain. Truly there is need of fresh recruits, well equipped in body, mind and spiritual life.

As we enter upon a new year of work for the Master, this blessed promise shall sustain and encourage us. "For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not, I will help thee."

MARY E. HOLT, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, October 1, 1902.....	\$6,714.52
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	33,933.03
Loan	7,300.00
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	\$47,947.55
Disbursements	38,881.89
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Balance, October 1, 1903.....	\$9,065.66

JULIETTE SMITH, *Treasurer.*

NEW YORK BRANCH

Includes New York and New Jersey.

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<i>Treasurer.</i>	MRS. J. M. CORNELL, 29 E. 37th St., New York.

He crowneth the year with His goodness. In everything successfully done, we acknowledge the directing, strengthening hand of God. We wonder at the things accomplished by many of our secretaries and leaders in different departments of the work, under disabilities of ill health, household cares, and other necessary affairs, and we are glad to remember that nothing has been unnoticed by

Him, nor unrewarded in the inward life of the doer of the deed or giver of the gift involving sacrifice. The special work supported by the New York Branch is faithfully sustained, including the salaries entire or partial of ten missionaries in the foreign field. The sales of literature at branch headquarters and at district and annual meetings have very largely increased, and interest in mission study advances. Young Women's societies, Standard Bearers, King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers are growing like willows by the water courses. The thought, time, effort and prayer given by those who were appointed to the responsibility of this department have brought rich results. It has proved a truly spiritual awakening. Several young women have, through this direct agency, heard the personal call to foreign missionary service, and many others have found the joy of using well their idle or misdirected talents.

Branch headquarters is a place of busy interest, with missionaries from almost every branch coming and going; visitors making inquiries and looking over the literature and ministers wishing information about our work.

The sale of excellent tea imported by our headquarters committee from India has proved a financial success, the profits being applied to the headquarters' expenses.

Conference anniversaries and district meetings have been well attended and excellent programs have been given. The day of prayer, preceding our branch annual meeting, was especially marked as a time of spiritual strengthening. The branch annual meeting held in Elmira, N. Y., had many tokens of the Divine favor. The small deficit with which our fiscal year closed was there made up by a liberal gift from Troy Conference and the pledges of other conferences and individuals.

Two thousand dollars was given to build a home for missionaries in Wuhu, and two friends together pledged the salary of a missionary for that place.

Letters from the foreign field have impressed us with these significant facts. 1st, The enlargement of the work in every direction; 2d, the impossibility of meeting the opportunity with our present force of workers; 3d, the breaking down in body and consequent discouragement in spirit, of over-burdened missionaries; 4th, the call in the hearts of our missionaries to evangelistic work and the openings for it; 5th, increasing thoroughness in the training schools for native workers; 6th, the development of character in our schools through self-support.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts from Conferences.....	\$66,987.00
Receipts from Bequests and on Annuity Plan.....	7,583.00
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Total Receipts for Year.....	\$74,570.00
Balance, October 1, 1902.....	1,359.00
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	\$75,929.00
Disbursements	\$73,866.55
Return of Loan	4,000.00
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Total Disbursements.....	\$77,866.55

MRS. J. M. CORNELL, *Treasurer.*

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH

Includes Pennsylvania and Delaware.

OFFICERS

<i>President,</i>	MRS. W. H. PEARCE, 1938 N. Park Ave., Philadelphia.
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<i>Treasurer,</i>	MRS. T. H. WILSON, Lawnhurst, Fox Chase, Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Branch comes in from the harvest field with the richest sheaves that have ever fallen to her lot. Prayer, diligence and holy enthusiasm have gleaned in the corners, and surely the Lord of the Harvest commanded His servants to let fall some of the handfuls on purpose for her that she might glean them. That this branch should be able to report \$55,807 poured into His treasury the past year, fills us with joyful and humble thanksgiving, for it is not our might that has brought this increase of over \$12,300, but the Lord has been our confidence. Of this amount \$7,583 has come to us by bequests, the servants dropping the handfuls at command.

The Thank-offering, though technically not reaching the amount of three years ago, has exceeded it, when to the present year is added the special donations for the same object. We have reached a point from which we hope again never to recede, for regular gifts, exclusive of bequests, thank-offerings and special contributions for one year only, have covered the amount of regular appropriations. Pitts-

burg Conference, still in the lead in generosity and zeal, augmented by the loving ties that bind all its officers together, is a continual demonstration of God's blessing upon those who pray and work. In some conferences changes have hindered the satisfactory development of plans that seemed well laid. In all parts of the territory there has been increase, and "many daughters have done virtuously."

The Standard Bearer movement is gaining ground rapidly, King's Heralds are banding together, and many Little Light Bearers are holding up their candles. Another cause for thanksgiving is that young women are coming in to supply vacancies; they are heeding the apostle's injunction—"I speak unto you young (wo) men because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you." They are finding the secret of strength to overcome the wicked one in the abiding of the word of God.

The darkest hour of our history was reached when our dearly loved president made known her unalterable decision not to accept renomination for the ensuing year. We were bereft, and found it difficult to adjust ourselves to the new situation. You who have witnessed from year to year her masterly presiding hand will sympathize in our loss and join us in prayer for God's blessing on her own future and also upon her successor. We enroll a new name at our head this year, but surely God has answered our earnest prayers, and "though the lot is cast into the lap, the disposing thereof is of the Lord," and we welcome a new worker in our midst.

One of our best beloved and honored vice-presidents has entered the land of the just made perfect. Mrs. Pricilla L. Bennett, of Wilkesbarre, one of the noblest women in our Church, and always an active sympathizer and generous contributor to the W. F. M. S., left us in her 85th year. There are but few such women in a generation, and their loss seems to us irreparable.

Four new missionaries have gone to the foreign field from the branch since the meeting of the last executive: Miss Turner started for Baroda, India, in January, Miss Soper for Japan in August, Miss Fenderich and Miss Guthapfel are now on the ocean, guided, we believe, by the Father's hand, the one to Seoul, Korea, the other to Raichur, South India. We are honored in that our daughters are joining the women who publish the tidings. Four others are home for recuperation and health. From various fields where our women are working come news of revivals; the Holy Spirit convinces the heart of sin and of judgment to come, in Asia and Mexico, as in our own favored land, and those that receive Him are made happy in the consciousness of Jesus' love.

At our recent annual meeting more delegates were in attendance and more missionaries were present than ever before, giving a decided foreign flavor to our session and adding to our knowledge of the work abroad. Miss Adams brought the record of her work in Foo-chow, and not only its daintiness, but also a desire to aid these neglected women in China, induced a larger sale than we had thought possible in an inland town.

The Eastern Missionary Convention, recently held in Philadelphia, gave our work a new impetus in this region. As those fresh from the foreign field told of the readiness of some places to receive the truth, the endurance by converts of bitter persecution without wavering, the loving, helpful spirit shown in the lives of hitherto ignorant natives, we rejoiced that the same old testimony given in the time of the Acts, now, as then, the world over, is that "God is no respecter of persons, but in every nation he that feareth Him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with Him."

From our thank-offering and special gifts, we have taken the entire erection of a new building in Hakodate, hoping to complete next year what is lacking at present. We have contributed \$500 to property in Shang Tung, China, and \$500 towards the building at Chemulpo, Korea; \$300 for an infirmary at Pauri, where our branch built the present Orphanage, and added \$2000 to the \$3000 for the new school building in Guanauato.

Many of our officers have been bereaved in family relations, but death has not taken any from her own position of usefulness. We are left to serve another day, and though often weak, we are never discouraged. Looking unto Jesus, we see a pillar of light and life ever before us, and we follow through the wilderness or over green pastures, till He brings us to our goal.

MRS. S. L. KEEN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts from Conferences.....	\$46,866.33
Bequests and Special Gifts, etc.....	10,190.72
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Total Receipts.....	\$57,057.05
Balance, October 1, 1902.....	11,464.38
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	\$68,521.43
Disbursements	49,588.52
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Balance, October 1, 1903.....	\$18,932.91

MRS. THOMAS H. WILSON, *Treasurer.*

BALTIMORE BRANCH

Includes Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia, North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

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<i>Treas. of Contingent Fund,</i>	MRS. W. M. WINKS, 37 E. North Ave., Baltimore.

Though we had carefully noted through the year "the signs of the times," the reports presented at the quarterly meetings, we were hardly prepared for so good a showing as was given in our recent annual meeting in Metropolitan Church, Washington. With one exception, each district has made advance on every line: more auxiliaries, more members, more Standard Bearers, more King's Heralds, more Little Light Bearers, more mite-boxes distributed, longer lists to our periodicals, larger receipts to both the contingent and general treasury. This was especially gratifying, as there had been forecastings of failure to meet appropriations, and now and then a reminder that we had exceeded instructions.

We rejoice greatly over another receipt not found among the appropriations for 1903, but having a large place among those for 1904. We refer to the transfer from Burlington, Iowa, to Washington, D. C., of our beloved sister, Mrs. M. S. Huston. She is ours. We appropriate to her the wealth of loving hearts and any place in the ranks of branch leaders that she will accept. But in rejoicing, we do not lose sight of the cost that this removal has brought to herself and to the branch that she has served so efficiently and so long, and sympathy tempers our joy.

We have had sore bereavements. December 9, 1902, a cloud received out of our sight Mary Cecelia Goucher; the almost perfect woman, the ideal wife, mother, friend, christian. So high was her aim, so pure was her purpose, that "whatsoever she did in word or deed," she did all to the glory of God. In Ironton, Ohio, August 3, 1903, Maria Louise Tudor, another woman greatly beloved, fell on sleep. Occupying as she did, responsible official position in the

branch from its earliest history, her influence pervaded it, and her works follow her. Other names that are like ointment poured forth, come before us: co-workers equally beloved, and to the measure of opportunity and ability equally effective. "Lost to sight, but to memory dear."

We have not enriched the foreign field by sending to it a new missionary, neither are we able to present at this time the testimonials of any candidate. May the Holy Spirit speak with irresistible power in this meeting to the hearts and consciences of our young women, and as they look upon the white fields and the few laborers, may they listen to the Macedonian cry and the love of Christ's constraining reply—Here am I, send me.

We are happy to have with us, two of our branch missionaries from Japan, Miss Elizabeth R. Bender and Miss Amy G. Lewis. We have had very little outside help this year. Mrs. Geo. K. Gilder, at the Easter anniversary, Mrs. Brenton H. Badley, at our Conference anniversary, and Mrs. J. E. Scott, at Mountain Lake Park.

I can feebly express the gratitude I feel to the missionaries, who, at great expenditure of time and strength, have done so much to maintain interest in special work, by the letters they have sent to patrons.

We crave for our constituency a willingness to contribute direct to the general fund, that the money may be used where most needed; on salaries of other than missionaries, for walls, wells, repairs and for items that no one in our branch ever assumes. As we now have a full equipment, we will strive to be fully equipped, and relying upon Him "Whose promise faileth never," step cheerfully into the work of another year.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on Hand, October 1, 1902.....	\$4,368.14
Receipts to October 1, 1903, including Legacy of \$219.....	20,643.36
Disbursements	17,666.55
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Balance, October 1, 1903.....	\$2,976.55

MRS. J. S. RAWLINGS, *Treasurer.*

CONTINGENT FUND TREASURER'S REPORT.

On Hand, October 1, 1902.....	\$123.75
Receipts to October 1, 1903.....	1,185.83
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	\$1,209.58
Total Disbursements.....	836.38
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Balance, October 1, 1903.....	\$373.20
<i>MRS. W. M. WINKS, Treasurer Contingent Fund.</i>	

CINCINNATI BRANCH

Includes Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi, with Headquarters at Cincinnati.

OFFICERS

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<i>Disbursing Treasurer,</i>	MRS. CHAS. C. BOYD, 1536 Greenup Street, Covington, Ky.

There never has been a time in our branch history that the summing up of the year's work was done with such an overwhelming sense of God's presence and blessing. There seems to be a new spirit of zeal and willing-heartedness animating the whole force of workers, an increase in membership and organization; a great development of the work among the young people and children, and while we have known heretofore that God was with us according to His promise, it never was so apparent as in the year just closed, nor is it hard to find from whence the growing interest has come. Following almost immediately after our annual meeting, came the memorable Cleveland Missionary Convention, which will be historic in church history, marking as it does a new departure in missionary effort. That part of the country covered by the Cincinnati Branch, was well represented in that wonderful gathering, where, when they talked and prayed and waited, the "fire fell," and many gave themselves to God for better service, and later, before

large audiences in cities or districts, the subject of missions was brought before the people with intense zeal and enthusiasm. One notable meeting, held at Upper Sandusky, had all the characteristics of the Cleveland session. So it is not strange that early in our branch year, it became evident that there was a "going in the tops of the mulberry trees," betokening an advance movement. New life and vigor were manifested in pressing the work of our society. Though our debts remained, and had been with us through several weary years, we are thankful now that our pledges were not lowered, because of them, even though that was a sore temptation. The annual meeting was like a jubilee. The treasurer's reports told the story with an emphasis and an eloquence, which will be appreciated all over the branch. In every conference there was an increase over last year's report. Every pledge was met, our debts were paid, and like Longfellow's blacksmith, "We look the whole world in the face, for we owe not any man." There is an increase in membership, and a glow of enthusiasm that has changed an irksome task to a joy and a privilege; while past pledges have been redeemed, and larger ones taken for the coming year. Besides the money pledged, money has been sent to meet urgent cases for repairs or additions to buildings. This has been a wonderful year for missionary candidates, as well as for gifts of money to send them. Early in the year, Miss Alexander was sent to North Japan, to Sappora, where she is "holding the fort" almost alone today. In the summer came an urgent appeal from Poona, India, seconded by Bishops and conference representatives, for the immediate sending out of Mrs. S. M. Eddy, to superintend the High School. This resulted in her acceptance and immediate departure for that field. Her support was given to the Standard Bearers in this conference. Soon every dollar was pledged, and it was found that the salary of one missionary was not enough to go round in that conference. And, judging from the way the young people are moving forward, the support of one missionary will have to be given to a district instead of a conference.

Miss Hardie has been welcomed back from Lucknow, and Miss Young from Nagasaki, both very welcome for their own sake and their work's sake. Five missionaries on "home leave," have been sent back during the year, Dr. Emma Scott, Misses Hoge, Lebeus, Shockley and Bing. Five new missionaries have been sent out, and but one provided for by our appropriations; Miss Alexander to Sappora; Miss Thomas, to Nagasaki; Miss Cartwright, to Lucknow; Miss Swormstedt, to Inhambane, Africa; Mrs. Eddy, to

Poona. So God honors the faith that trusts in His promises. All this was made possible by our increasing receipts. God has been very good to us, and we think now, that we never will distrust Him again. Efforts have been made to increase the subscription lists to our different periodicals, and with hopeful returns. Our "Room" at Branch Headquarters, under Miss Alice Startsmen, has been a busy workshop, furnishing help to every anxious applicant, and proving an indispensable part of our branch economy.

Prayer is becoming more and more a factor in this work, and when a host of believing christians, who are also working christians, unite in the petition to let the "Kingdom Come," and follow the prayer with obedience, they will "move the hand that moves the world, and bring salvation down."

MRS. B. R. COWEN, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURERS' REPORT.

Receipts from October 1, 1902—October 1, 1903.....	\$70,207.95
Disbursements	67,532.61

\$2,675.34

MRS. C. C. BOYD

MRS. J. C. KUNZ,

Treasurers.

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH

Includes Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.

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<i>Assistant Treasurer.</i>	MRS. J. DUNN, 36 Woodward Ave. Terrace, Detroit, Mich.

In the administration of the affairs of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the General Executive Committee requires annually what is known as a "Home Report" from each of the several branches into which the organization is divided. The purpose and significance of this report, may in part be easily understood and

appreciated. In so far as it deals with facts concerning the increase or decrease in number of auxiliaries, or the membership of the society, or with the details concerning the publication and distribution of the society's literature, or of the year's financial history, or the outlook for the year to come, there is but slight liability that the report will not proceed along lines that are fairly well defined, or that this data will be fairly accurate and comprehensive.

The presentation of this information is not only important but essential. Without it our future plans could not be intelligently formulated or prosecuted. The facts referred to constitute the framework of our enterprise, and as frame-work the knowledge of them is indispensable.

But to be of real value, the report should also deal with interests which are of vastly greater significance than those details to which reference has been made. It ought to be—possibly, one would be justified in saying it must be—in some sort a response to the question which comes from all parts of the work, "Watchman, what of the night?" It is a reply to the inquiry often asked and always suggested—"Is there among our home people an increased interest in the glorious missionary enterprise?" Do the needs of the unsaved women in heathen lands appeal to the constituency of our society with greater and still greater effect, and have we been aroused to greater efforts in their behalf? Are there more workers, who, when the demand for help in foreign fields is presented, are saying to themselves and to us—"Here am I, send me." Is there throughout our borders, a greater zeal for souls, a greater interest in our own part of this missionary work, greater faith in the Divine approval and aid of our plans, and is there more fervent and believing prayer offered for the success of the cause?

On the answers to these inquiries rest the hopes for the future success of our enterprise. Without that inspiration which can only be induced by conditions that warrant an affirmative answer to the above suggested questions, no enduring prosperity will be practicable. The vitalizing influence and power which come from an earnest longing to bring the lost to repentance and salvation, is as indispensable to the maintenance of the missionary spirit, as is air to the support of physical life. Where this influence is felt, every self-sacrifice, every sort of service, every form of energetic effort may be expected, and the anticipation will not be disappointed.

The Northwestern Branch can confidently trust to the record of the year's achievements for its own response to the queries which have been proposed.

Our statistical reports show the loss during the year of thirteen senior organizations, which we greatly regret, but the new auxiliaries formed, and the increased number of organizations among the Young Women and the Standard Bearers, has much more than made good the falling off in the older societies.

Our conference and district workers have never given more diligent and effective service. Their constant aim has been to promote the interests of the society wherever an opportunity offered, and they have been cheered and encouraged by the increased support that has been shown in so many places.

A "week of prayer" was substituted this year for our previous "self-denial week," and no appeal was made for special offerings. Nevertheless, not a few of our devoted women, always ready and eager to demonstrate their love for that Saviour who is "woman's best friend," made free will offerings to the amount of \$2,000. Our Thank-offering amounted to \$23,452, and was distributed to many different missionary interests. There has also come into our treasury, \$6,895 from our Mite-boxes, \$9,308 from bequests, and \$4,500 from annuities.

A list of all the stations, and of all the different interests which received some portion of this Thank-offering fund, might create some surprise, even among our own branch members. A part of it paid for needed land, another portion paid for buildings which were even more needed than the land. Some of the fund helped to cancel indebtedness that had annoyed and embarrassed us at home and in the field, and all of the money has been so applied that it has aided in making the situation of our missionaries more tolerable, and has lightened many hearts and homes.

The urgent need and the importunate appeals which are constantly being received for more missionaries, coupled with the fact that nine young women have been accepted for missionary service and are now waiting for their commissions, prompted the Branch Executive Committee to authorize the publication of an appeal for special gifts to enable the society to send these recruits to the stations where their help is so greatly needed, and to furnish them the requisite support. Several hundred dollars was secured through the efforts of members of the Board of Managers, and at the annual branch meeting, seven thousand dollars more were pledged for this purpose. Confiding in the loyal support of the branch membership, three of the nine have already been sent to the front, and this General Executive Committee will be asked to pass upon the credentials of the six who are still with us.

The missionaries of our branch now at home on furlough, are, Miss Benthein, from Bombay, and Miss Newton, of North India; Miss Merrill and Mrs. Davis, from Central China; Miss Melton, from South Japan; Miss Blackburn, from Bulgaria; and Miss Vickery, from Rome.

Immediately after the last session of this committee, Miss Wright returned to India, and was assigned to the school at Budaon, and soon after, Miss Mary Wilson was appointed to the same station. Miss Greene went to Phalera, in Northwest India, and Miss Fisher to Kolar, South India. Dr. Gloss has returned to Peking, and Miss Longstreet to Ming Chiang, China.

The additional missionaries whom we have sent out, are, Miss Alice Northrup, to the Isabella Thoburn College, at Lucknow; Miss Dorothy Jones, to Chung King; and Miss Maud Wheeler, to Peking, China. Miss Wheeler is the daughter of Dr. L. N. Wheeler, one of our earliest missionaries in North China. He subsequently inaugurated the work in West China, and his body now sleeps in the cemetery in Shanghai. Our Miss Wheeler is the third daughter who has given herself to the work of bringing China into the number of christian nations. We count it a rare privilege to have been enabled to send nine consecrated women to our mission fields in foreign lands in a single year.

As we come together from year to year, we miss one and another of those who through many years have been our co-workers in this society, associates who have endeared themselves to us by a loving companionship and an unselfish devotion to the cause which all of us serve. Fidelity characterized their service, and a self-sacrificing loyalty to duty always governed their lives. They wrought willingly, ably, royally, and the Master honored their labors and their devotion. Then He opened the pearly gates and called them home. "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

It was while this body was in session, one year ago, that a message was received announcing the death of Mrs. David Preston, of Detroit. Her association with the society dates back to its earliest days. One of the first auxiliaries in the Northwestern Branch was organized in her parlors, and her name appears on the first list of life members in the Society. For two years she discharged the duties of branch treasurer, and her fidelity, efficiency and accuracy, left us nothing to be desired in the administration of that office. Loyalty and thoroughness were among her prominent qualities, and we loved her both for what she was and what she did.

When the Northwestern Branch began its work of organization, there was imperative need for some one to meet the women in the various churches, and to explain to them our work and methods. Miss S. A. Rulison, of Flint, Michigan, accepted this service. She resigned a congenial position as teacher, and for many years gave herself to the effort of interesting Methodist women in the cause of missions and gathering them into auxiliary organizations. At a later date she undertook the preparation and publication of the Missionary Lesson Leaf—a most valuable and almost indispensable aid in carrying out the scheme of uniform mission studies. Earnest, faithful and true, never faltering in her service till the Master called her home, she has left us a legacy of good deeds and successful work which is an inspiration to all her associates.

A little later, and just at the opening of the New Year, our well beloved Mrs. Bishop Ninde, joined the great host who have passed up into the Everlasting Kingdom. She was never officially connected with the Northwestern Branch, but she was not therefore the less interested in its aims and work or the less helpful to its treasury. Her contributions were numerous and generous, and her home was always open to the weary missionary who was ever welcome to its boundless hospitality, and her words of sympathy and encouragement will be long remembered.

Another beautiful, earnest, generous co-laborer was lost to us and to our society when Mrs. Laura A. Calder, of Evanston, answered to the summons, "Come up higher." She had been both recording secretary and home secretary of the branch, and in each position, her work was beyond criticism. But while as an officer she was both faithful and efficient, still it was by her intense interest in the cause generally, her absolute devotion to all of its interests, and her generous gifts to its treasury, that she was most widely known and most fondly loved. The Mabel Colvin Home and Dispensary, at Brindaban, are among the tangible tokens of her generosity, and constitute an enduring monument to her memory, and nearly all of her estate was bequeathed to the society.

There is still another whose presence we miss and whose loss has brought to us an inexpressible sorrow. On the fourteenth of June, and in the hush of the early Sabbath morning, the spirit of our loved and beautiful Letitia Mason Quine, left its earthly home for its heavenly inheritance. Her life had been a long devotion to the missionary cause and missionary service. It is now more than thirty years since as a lovely maiden, she consecrated her life and skill to the ministry of healing, among the women of China. As a

medical missionary she labored and sacrificed, until prostrated by pain and sickness, she was compelled to leave the land to which her coming had been a benediction. Returning to her native land, her health was restored, and here she sought to enlist others in the work to which she had given so much, and for which she was still anxious to toil. For five years her name stood at the head of our roll of branch officers, and for four years, and until weakness and suffering laid her aside from active duty, she gave herself with conscientious care to the work. Her delightful personality, her persuasive voice, her large executive powers, rendered her a leader that all rejoiced to follow. The purity of her life, her serene faith, her deep spirituality, combined with her dignity, graciousness and gentleness, made her a priceless friend. To the last, her love and prayers went up for those who were striving to build up Christ's Kingdom. We miss her dear sweet face as the days come and go, but in loving memory of what she so truly exemplified of Christ-like unselfishness, we must be glad that the joy of heaven has come to her, "and she will live forever in the hearts of those who loved her."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, including Annuity Fund, October 1, 1902.....	\$26,546.60
Total Receipts, October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	119,883.39
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Grand Total.....	\$146,429.99
Disbursements.....	125,946.67
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Balance, including Annuity Fund, October 1, 1903.....	\$20,483.32
Annuity Fund.....	14,500.00
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Balance in General Fund, October 1, 1903.....	\$5,983.32

MRS. BERTRAND YORK, *Treasurer.*

DES MOINES BRANCH

Includes Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana.

OFFICERS

<i>President.</i>	MISS ELIZABETH PEARSON, 1100 High St., Des Moines, Iowa.
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<i>Recording Secretary,</i>	MRS. B. M. GATCHEL, Des Moines, Iowa.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	MRS. E. P. FRITZ, Dubuque, Iowa.
<i>Secretary Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies</i>	MISS MARTHA STAHL, Indianola, Iowa.

"Then I told them of the hand of my God which was good upon me: as also the King's words that he had spoken unto me: and they said, 'Let us rise up and build,' so they strengthened their hands for this good work."

Because our sisters throughout Des Moines Branch have had blessings similar to Nehemiah's—the favor of the Lord and the kindly help of the people—this day of report making is a joyous, grateful one.

Our gain in members is 2,488, fully double that of last year. The popularity of the Standard Bearers' movement is indicated in the fact that a large share of our increase is in that department.

Our money figures are inspiring, and we note with gratification that the gains are well distributed, nearly every conference sharing in the advance. Bequests to the sum of \$5,583 have been received, and yet more precious gifts are vouchsafed us, in that our young women are heeding the call to the needy fields and offering themselves for service.

Our branch has ventured farther than usual in the matter of publications. Early in the year a valuable pamphlet, entitled "The Missionaries of Des Moines Branch," was prepared by Mrs. Huston and Miss Moss, and has been welcomed by our constituency, and just now from the press is the booklet, "The Story of Hai Tang," by Miss Trimble, for which we expect general favor. Not only the King's Heralds, for whom it is specially prepared, but our auxiliaries as well, will find it what they need on that subject.

Some of our conferences have issued for their Standard Bearers good leaflet sketches of their missionaries.

Within the year, Miss Wilson has come home and returned again to North China, and Misses Hyde and Daniel have come from

India and Japan for their first furlough. Each one of these missionaries found her home shadowed by affliction and bereavement; Miss Daniel reaching the side of her aged father, just in time to see her precious mother laid to rest.

Late in the year, our branch was suddenly visited with a very unexpected loss in the removal from our borders, of our secretary, Mrs. Huston. For many years her wisdom and devotion have been an untold blessing to her co-workers, and to the society. Now that we are to miss her wonted help, we look to the future with new solicitude, entreating that her love and prayers may bless us still, confident that it shall indeed be so.

We keenly feel our need of looking unto the hills whence in all the years our help has come, and we hear His voice saying unto us, "Yea, I will help thee."

MRS. MARY T. THOMPSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, October 1, 1902.....	\$656.25
Receipts, October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	51,082.98
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Total	\$51,739.23
Disbursements	46,662.91
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Balance, October 1, 1903.....	\$5,076.32

MRS. E. P. FRITZ, *Treasurer.*

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH

Includes Minnesota and the Two Dakotas.

OFFICERS

<i>President,</i>	MRS. W. H. LANDIS, 1505 Clinton Av., Minneapolis, Minn.
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<i>Recording Secretary,</i>	MRS. C. H. GARDNER, 722 Selby Av., St. Paul, Minn.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	MRS. C. W. HALL, 3206 2d Av. S., Minneapolis, Minn.

We close the 20th year of the Minneapolis Branch with the confident assurance that the "Lord of Hosts is with us."

We are sending a note of victory all along the lines for success obtained, for progress made, and for the outlook for the future.

This is the Lord's own blessed work, we are but the instruments in His hands.

We are especially glad for the willing sacrifice of time and strength given by our faithful officers for their patience and watchful care over the weak societies, and the detail work which is required to keep the machinery running smoothly.

There has been a steady growth and encouraging advancement made in all the departments of our organization. We are expecting greater success in the future.

While we are rejoicing over our prosperity at home, our hearts are tinged with sadness over the loss of two of our dear brave girls in Malaysia, by sickness and over-work.

Miss Cody, of Singapore, was ordered home by her physician in April last, and is now at home in Ohio, slowly gaining in strength.

Miss Ellis, of Penang, was compelled to give up her work in July, and two doctors urged her immediate return to the home land. She will spend some months on the Pacific Coast, hoping to regain her health. These dear girls who are laid aside from active duties for a time need our sympathies and prayers. We trust they may soon be restored to health. Miss Rouse, at Ku Cheng, China, has been seriously ill for many weary weeks, and may have to come home to rest and get well. She writes: "It was not the work I did which hurt me, but what I could not do." Miss Blackmore seems equal to all emergencies, and carries the interests of the Deaconesses' school, and even the whole mission most cheerfully and successfully. Miss Martin, of Penang, came home last May for her vacation, having served more than five years in that tropical climate. She expects to return to her much loved work in the early spring.

The C. S. Winchell Home will soon be completed. The full amount necessary to finish the Home free from debt has been sent.

Miss Jakobson, at Pakur, is happy and much encouraged over the prospect of soon getting into their new Home and school buildings. There has been much sickness, a few deaths, and several of the girls have married. New pupils are coming in to fill the vacant places.

Miss Nicolaisen, our German Deaconess, at Sieng Iu, China, is in excellent health and very happy in her work.

Miss Ingram, at Lucknow, carries sunshine and gladness into the Zenana Homes, and is a light in the Deaconess' Home, where the poor, destitute, and heart-broken women come for help and salvation.

Miss Blackstock, of the Harrison industrial School in Tokyo, Japan, is closing the sixth year of her second term in that trying climate.

We are glad that we have been able to send two missionaries to the field within the past two months. Miss M. E. Olson, of Afton, Minnesota, sailed from San Francisco in August, for Penang, to take the work laid down by Miss Ellis.

Miss Mabel Lee, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, sailed for Tokyo, Japan, in September, to take charge of the Harrison Industrial School.

Is it not true that as soon as a missionary is found ready to go, the money comes in with which to send her to the field? As soon as we found the worker for Penang, a generous friend, not a member of our church, offered to pay her outgoing expenses, which we gladly accepted.

The year financially, has been one of great prosperity. With the exception of one small bequest at the beginning of the year, the funds have all come from the regular channels, dues, mite-boxes and thank-offerings.

Our branch meeting was held in Mitchell, South Dakota, and was the largest in attendance, most spiritual in its atmosphere, and most hopeful in permanent results.

The sale of literature was the largest in our history, about seventy dollars worth passed out into circulation among our people.

Our own missionary, Miss Martin, from Penang, greatly cheered us by her recital of the needs, opportunities and success of the work.

Mrs. H. G. Harrison, of Minneapolis, who has just returned from a six months visit in India, charmed us with her addresses.

Miss Anna Stone, of China, was an inspiration to all who listened to her portrayal of China's needs.

Under the influence and by the power of the Holy Spirit, we begin the duties of another year.

Our conference and district secretaries advanced appropriations far beyond any year in our history.

With prayer and thanksgiving we go forth to win victory for Christ.

MRS. I. W. JOYCE, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1902.....	\$9,089.25
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	17,782.30
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Total	\$26,871.57
Disbursements	27,528.57
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Deficit	\$657.00

MRS. C. W. HALL, *Treasurer.*

TÓPEKA BRANCH

Includes Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Indian Territory.

OFFICERS

<i>President,</i>	MRS. C. C. ADAMS, 221 W. 10th St., Topeka, Kan.
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<i>Recording Secretary,</i>	MRS. J. R. MADISON, Olathe, Kansas.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	MRS. A. M. DAVIS, 1701 K St., Lincoln, Neb.

The twentieth year of Topeka Branch has been the best of all the years. Our numbers are greater, interest deeper and receipts larger than any in our history.

The subscriptions to the periodicals show a slight gain, but not in proportion to the added membership. We have yet to secure two hundred and thirty-five subscriptions before we can count one in five of the membership who are subscribers to the "Woman's Missionary Friend." The numbers of "King's Heralds" are but five hundred and thirty-five, yet we have a subscription list to the "Children's Friend" of eighteen hundred and ninety seven.

In this way seed is being sown, and the harvest for which we are looking is a large and speedy increase in the number of children enlisted under the motto, "The King's business requireth haste."

The Standard Bearer work is making a satisfactory growth, almost the entire enlistment having been secured during the present year. We are so fortunate as to have a secretary whose husband owns a printing press, and who free of charge, prints all the letters from our Standard Bearer missionaries.

The literature sales have amounted to nearly nine hundred dollars, and two thousand five hundred and seventy mite-boxes have been placed in circulation.

The fact that eight hundred and fifty three copies of "Lux Christi" have been sent out from our headquarters, is evidence that interest in the United Study is not waning.

Self-denial and new membership work is coming to be one of the important features of the year, in that it brings numerical and financial strength as well as spiritual power.

Universal interest was shown in our Thank-offering, due in part to the fact that the money gathered thus is to be used for the erection of a building for the Burmese Girls School, in Rangoon, to bear the name of Mrs. Harriet Shattuck, the first corresponding secretary of the branch, and as long as health permitted, one of the most earnest workers.

We have not been blessed with much help from outside. With the exception of a few week's service given by Dr. Donahue, a few days by Dr. Dease, three conference anniversaries addressed by Rev. J. W. Robinson, and one by Miss Trimble, the work has been done by the faithful home women. How frequently have we sighed for a Field secretary, a branch organizer, a returned missionary, or any consecrated worker to help arouse and organize the women, enlist the young people and gather in the children who are scattered over our territory of mountain and plain, waiting for and needing the blessed missionary service.

The annual meeting was one of interest, and Rev. J. W. Robinson, of India, Miss Varney and Miss Trimble, of China, Miss Imhof, of Japan, and Mrs. Smith of Burma, gave splendid service. Doxologies were constantly in our hearts, and frequently upon our lips for the success which has attended our efforts and the victories won.

Immediately after our meeting, one year ago, Miss Montgomery sailed for India, and at the session of the South India Conference, was appointed to the Baldwin High School for girls in Bangalore. She accepted this work as from the Lord, and has had a happy prosperous year.

Dr. Tuttle reached India in January, and soon began her ministry to the needy in Baroda. A recent letter tells of her serious

illness from fever, caused by the unsanitary conditions under which the missionaries live.

Miss Spaulding landed in Manila in May, and finds the need for workers not overestimated, and the opportunities unlimited.

Dr. Stevenson reached this country for her second furlough early in December, but in response to the urgent needs of the work, remained with the home folks only until July, when she again set sail for North China.

Miss Imhof and Miss Varney, after years of service in their respective fields of Japan and China, are with us today for the first time in General Executive meeting. To them we accord a hearty welcome, not only because of their worth, but for the work's sake.

To our branch has come sorrow, and to the individual members a personal bereavement in the going to Heaven of Mrs. Bishop Ninde, who for seven years so faithfully, loyally and lovingly served us as president. After her removal from our territory, Mrs. Ninde ceased not to care for us, but frequently sent messages of love and assurance of continued interest.

We believe that much of our present success is due to the years of her faithful work, when she spared not herself, but gave of time, money and effort to the furtherance of the cause. She has gone from us, yet not absent but present in the sweet incense of her life, and the beneficent influence of her work.

For the new year our faith is strong and hope buoyant.

The rallying cry is, one in ten of our Methodist women a member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; one in five of the membership a subscriber to the "Woman's Missionary Friend;" five thousand young people enlisted as Standard Bearers; two thousand children in the ranks of the King's Heralds, and \$30,000 for the treasury of our Lord.

MATILDA WATSON, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance, October 1, 1902.....	\$7,500.11
Receipts, October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	24,000.00
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Total	\$31,500.11
Disbursements	26,860.97
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Balance, October 1, 1903.....	\$4,639.03

MRS. A. M. DAVIS, *Treasurer.*

PACIFIC BRANCH

Includes California, Nevada, Arizona and Hawaii.

OFFICERS

<i>President.</i>	MRS. GEO. B. SMYTH, 2509 Hearst Ave., Berkeley, Cal.
<i>Corresponding Secretary.</i>	MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, Pasadena, Cal.
<i>Recording Secretary.</i>	MRS. J. R. UMSTED, 3036 Hoover St., Los Angeles, Cal.
<i>Treasurer.</i>	MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE, South Pasadena, Cal.

No year in all the history of our branch has brought us more glad surprises than has this blessed fifteenth one. Beginning it without a penny in our treasury, we have always found the "barrel and the cruse" with an ample supply for our quarterly needs. Our obligation for the Rangoon building which was in the shape of an interest-bearing note, has been cancelled, and we close the year without a debt and without a balance. It is also our pleasure to record a fair increase in membership and a large increase in patronage. A vigorous effort to increase our subscriptions to our periodicals in certain sections of our branch was offset by a falling off in other localities, except in the case of the "Children's Friend," which has had a fine advance, thanks to our faithful superintendent of King's Herald. A small increase in the number of copies of the "Study" taken is noted. "Lux Christi" has been studied with great pleasure by many of our auxiliaries.

We have had valuable service from many of our missionaries.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilder, Miss McAllister, Miss Adams, of China, Miss Marks and Miss Spaulding, of Manila, have all done royal service for us. No event of special moment has come to the lives of our missionaries on the field. Dr. Taft, of Chin Kiang, Misses Holman and Beck, of Ajmere, Miss Holbrook, of Japan, and Miss Collins, of Africa, have been busily engaged in healing the sick, and caring for the souls and bodies of those whom God has entrusted to their care. The work in Ajmere has been little short of a marvel. The noble women there have transformed the filthy repulsive little starvelings of 1900 into bright healthy happy christian girls, who will soon be ready to reach out a helping hand to other needy ones. Miss Marks returned to this work, September 29.

Our ranks at home have been broken. The sweet saintly woman who pioneered our work in the California Conference, Mrs. Phebe Searle, went to her Heavenly rest early in the year. Mrs. Ellen Adams, who was a charter member of the first auxiliary in Northwestern Branch, and helped to organize the Pacific Branch, slipped away from our earthly vision to receive her crown in January. The light of eter-

nity alone will reveal the far-reaching influence of the work of these godly women.

So we leave the old year filled with sad memories, yet with grateful hearts, and turn our faces to the new year not knowing what is before us, but full of confidence and hope, for we know that God's promised help will never fail us.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1902.....	\$1,576.74
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	15,726.00
	\$17,302.74
Disbursements from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	17,243.35
	\$59.39
MRS. Z. L. PARMELEE, <i>Treasurer.</i>	

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH

Includes Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon.

OFFICERS

<i>President.</i>	MRS. M. C. WIRE, Albany, Ore.
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<i>Recording Secretary.</i>	MRS. W. H. SAYLOR, 871 S. First St., Portland, Ore.
<i>Treasurer.</i>	MRS. M. E. WHITNEY, 704 S. J St., Tacoma, Wash.

The eleventh year of Columbia River Branch will ever stand out alone, characterized by unusual features and overshadowed by a great sorrow. For the first time, we have been called to mourn the earthly loss of a branch officer, our beautiful and greatly beloved president, Mrs. Earl Cranston. Worthy was she by every measurement of the responsible honors that were hers. Well and with gentle humility did she grace such high positions as mistress of an Episcopal residence, branch president in the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and presiding officer for two sessions of the Japan Mission Woman's Conference. Worthy also was she to be named with the martyred host whose lives have been the price of service in mission lands. We count her now our crowned President

Emeritus, in the faith that she "being dead yet speaketh." Steps have been taken to perpetuate her name on the mission field, and the privilege has been granted of making the new building to be erected for the Foochow Conference Seminary, the Laura Cranston Memorial Hall. It is eminently fitting that such testimonial for one whose gentle spirit was so like her Master's, should be placed in China, where the first shock that dissolved her earthly house of this tabernacle was received from pagan hands. This memorial in her name shall bear its part in hastening the time when China's daughters shall become the cultured christian mothers under whose potent influence deeds of riot shall forever cease.

In this annual review we gratefully bear witness to a comforting truth, verified anew, that whenever great sorrows and burdens come to God's children, He remembers their frame and, lest they be tried above measure, grants other gifts as evidence of continued and watchful care. To Him be praise for many tokens of favor.

Added interest in the great missionary cause is shown by an increase in the number of auxiliary societies, in the membership, in the lists of our periodicals, in the sales of literature, and in the receipts of the treasury. There has also been a greater demand for special objects of support, and from more unexpected sources than ever before, and many links have been formed between the workers at home and abroad, which we hope will grow stronger with the opportunity for mutual interchange thus established.

Owing to the difficulty in securing leaders for these departments, the work of Standard Bearers and King's Heralds has not made such advance as we might wish, or as we hope for the future.

One district has been newly organized in the Puget Sound Conference, under the courageous energy of its secretary, though she counts less than a half dozen little scattered societies in her territory. The district meeting at which this organization was perfected, was made especially interesting by the presence and address of Miss Glenk, fresh from China.

Miss Lilly returned to her work in Singapore in April, and at the same time Miss Parkinson arrived from Foochow on a special call for family reasons. That she reached home a few days too late for the farewell greeting of her sister, stands as a reminder of the sad possibilities that confront all our missionaries. In order to give Miss Parkinson the usual length of furlough without taxing the missionaries on the field, the branch has been able to send as a substitute to take charge of the Foochow Seminary, Mrs. E. A.

Stephenson, an experienced teacher from the High School of Seattle, her friend, Mrs. Lippy, bearing all the expense.

Mrs. Emma Ferris Shellabear, one of our first missionaries, who has been sojourning within the branch for the past three years, has been very helpful in its work, as has her husband.

Our ladies of Puget Sound have profited by the visits of a considerable number of missionaries who have sailed from the ports of Tacoma and Seattle.

It was a pleasure to greet for a brief call, our Publisher, Miss Walden, and the secretary of New England Branch, Miss Holt.

Of other guests we may mention only Mrs. Wilkinson, President of Folts Institute, who, stopping over Sunday in Portland, made the address at the Thank-offering service in First Church, which resulted in the largest offering in the history of the society, and was the indirect means of winning a pupil for our Training School in Herkimer.

Our conference anniversaries attracted unusually large audiences, and were more than ordinarily successful. For this we are greatly indebted to Bishop McCabe, to Dr. Leonard, and Dr. Smyth, and to Bro. Shellabear, of Singapore, who made the addresses of these occasions, and who verily did in right royal manner fulfill the injunction to "help those women." Two of our conference secretaries deserve mention for special features inaugurated in connection with these anniversaries. Mrs. Henry Brown, of Columbia River, made so thorough a canvass for the "Woman's Missionary Friend," that her list has reached thirty-five, forwarded by herself, in addition to other pledges for subscribers to be added to home lists. Mrs. C. E. Helman, of Idaho, out of that great extent of sparsely settled territory, has formed a conference auxiliary of those who may not otherwise become connected with the society, and whose membership now numbers fifty. From these scattered seeds look we for more abundant harvests in the future.

How shall I tell of our annual meeting, with its sacred memories clustered about that vacant chair, with its final necessity for selecting a successor to the president promoted? Suffice it to say that human weakness was supplemented with Divine strength, and human lack of knowledge with Divine wisdom, according to the promise that never faileth those who wait on the Lord.

In the last earthly days of our beloved leader, her lips framed this prayer, "Show me the way, dear Father—today—dear Father." So had this become the daily cry for the need of those who sorely

miss her, and so had the same confidence in the Omnipotent Guide for her and for us been established.

The choice fell upon Mrs. M. C. Wire, first corresponding secretary of the branch, whose ability and acquaintance with the work and the field, leave no question as to fitness for the position.

I may not allow this opportunity to pass without reference to a fact that has been true of our workers from first to last, and in which surely is the hiding of power. We cannot cherish too highly the spirit of unselfish service rendered by our faithful women of the branch. All place the good of the cause above personal preference. Those chosen for positions of leadership seek to make sure that the trust is theirs from the Master Himself, while others rally to their support with no diminution of enthusiasm nor trace of envious thought.

Blessings on the royal women of Columbia River Branch, who may lift unshamed faces toward heaven with this petition, "And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: and establish Thou the work of our hands upon us: yea, the work of our hands, establish Thou it."

Mrs. A. W. FISHER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, October 1, 1902.....	\$1,529.84
Receipts from October 1, 1902, to October 1, 1903.....	7,421.93
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Total	\$8,951.77
Disbursements	6,708.79
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Balance on hand, October 1, 1903.....	\$2,242.98

Mrs. M. E. WHITNEY, *Treasurer.*

GERMAN WORK

Includes 10 Conferences in America, 3 Conferences in Europe.

Secretary, MISS LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, Newport, Ky.

A review of the past year which was entered upon with a great sense of responsibility and fear, gives occasion for sincere and heartfelt gratitude to God for his help and blessing.

Many fears were never realized, and our small faith was put to shame by having so much more given than we had dared hope for.

The causes for fear that we should fall behind were several, among them the loss of our tried and trusted leader, Mrs. Achard; another, that during the preceding year great efforts had been made to raise the money for the Sieng Iu Home, many gifts for this having come from those who had no connection with our society, while some of our own members had given sums that we could not expect to have repeated, then also, one generous friend had given \$4,000.

Now while we are obliged to report a decrease in total receipts of \$3,552.31, we do not feel depressed, but rather we rejoice, for excluding the one large gift, we have an advance of \$447.69.

The total receipts, \$12,035.15 include no large gifts whatever, but represent thousands of small gifts made possible only by the greatest self-denial, and, as one lady said, "each small gift is wrapped in prayer"—prayer that will certainly bring God's blessing.

We can report 18 new auxiliaries. We have 20 Standard Bearer Companies, almost all organized during this year, and 11 King's Herald Bands. The increase in total membership is over 600. There is an increase of 122 in the subscribers for "Children's Missionary Friend," and a few for the "Woman's Missionary Friend." The German paper has increased its circulation but 51. We had hoped for better increase here.

We have welcomed one new conference, the Southern German, to the ranks of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Though no organizations have yet been effected a great deal of preparatory work has been done, and some money has come in. We expect good things from this Conference next year.

The Northwestern leads in the advance, reporting 11 new Standard Bearer Companies, and an increase of \$275.00 in receipts. The fact that they have a conference missionary helps greatly.

Chicago Conference last year reported an increase of about 33 per cent, and this year has another increase of 13 per cent.

St. Louis and Western Conferences feel greatly indebted to the Misses Stone and Tany, for the interest that they helped to arouse by visiting various churches, a district meeting and a conference anniversary. We are also favored by having Miss Lebeus devote a good part of her too short vacation to visiting various churches, especially in the Eastern and Central Conference. Great interest is shown where she has been.

Two Conferences, the Northern and Northwestern, each have their own missionary, and we hope to have others follow their example.

We had hoped soon to have another of our own girls in the field, but for the present the Lord has laid his hands upon her. She is trying at present to serve by waiting, hoping still to be allowed to enter active service.

More literature has been sold than last year. We have serious obstacles to overcome here. The subscriptions to the "Friend" are slowly growing. Our people read it, many auxiliaries having more subscribers than members. We do hope for a greater increase in the coming year.

We as Germans, labor under great difficulties in that our work is scattered among so many branches. This is being realized more and more, and the necessity for some change is being recognized. We ask for Divine guidance in this as in all things.

We praise God for His help during the past year, and trust Him for the future.

LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, *Secretary.*

STATISTICS FOR GERMAN WORK, 1902—1903.

Conferences.	Auxiliaries	Members	Standard Bearers	Members	King's Herald Bands	Members	New Life Members	Mite Boxes	Subscribers			Receipts—1902-03	Receipts—1901-02	Increase	Decrease	Received for Contingent Fund
									Frauen Miss. Freund	Woman's Miss. Friend	Children's Miss. Friend					
California	9	126	1	22	1	30	12	30	152	19	30	\$565 00	\$489 53	\$75 47		\$3 00
Central	25	685				342	3	342	283	6	30	1,716 78	1,565 46	151 30		18 65
Chicago	21	429				213		213	147	5	15	891 65	797 90	93 75		12 75
Northern	34	775	1	25	6	213		213	530	22	93	1,591 55	1,640 45		\$48 90	28 05
North Pacific	4	68				20		20	57			103 11	101 49	1 62		
Northwestern	35	698	11	221	1	101		101	529	7	91	1,708 55	1,433 37	275 18		26 30
Eastern	21	636	2	46	2	72	2	72	440	13	136	1,315 96	1,338 99		22 13	51 42
St. Louis	19	576	2	43	1	30		30	254	1	12	871 43	807 62	63 81		32 10
Southern									4			37 80		37 80		
Western	44	820	2	27		430		430	688	9	108	2,012 54	2,107 83	95 29		34 45
Scattering													4,135 00	4,135 00		
Total in U. S.	212	4,813	19	384	11	1,36	17	1,36	3,639	76	485	10,814 37	11,416 76	608 93	4,231 32	206 72
<i>Conferences in Europe:</i>																
North Germany	24	456							187			270 49	183 32	87 17		
South Germany	105	1,379							164			286 67	334 59		47 92	
Switzerland	45	1,220							210			663 62	652 79	10 83		
Total in Europe	174	3,055							561			1,220 78	1,170 70	97 97		
Grand Total	386	7,868	19	384	11	1,364	17	1,364	4,250	76	485	\$12,035 15	\$16,758 16	\$796 90	\$3,552 31	\$206 72

SCANDINAVIAN WORK

Includes 21 States.

Secretary. MRS. A. FARRELL, 741 Case St., St. Paul, Minn.

In reviewing this year's work, I can truly say the Lord has been with us and His guiding hand we have felt. A year ago when I was elected to superintend our work in America, I feared that it would be impossible to continue the work as it has been commenced, but God's blessing has been manifested in both the work and workers. It is true that it has required hard work and great watchfulness from all the officers and individual members in every auxiliary, but they have willingly and faithfully overcome all obstacles.

We have added a few new auxiliaries, but the increase in membership is slight. The reason for this is that when the societies were first organized, many joined who were not members of the M. E. Church, and most of them left us after awhile.

During this summer, several of our conference secretaries made visits to their auxiliaries, thereby trying to encourage the members. We have also been favored in the Northern Conference by having Mrs. I. W. Joyce with us, and Miss Clara Martin, from Penang. At Lake View, Chicago, the Central Conference had Mrs. Oldham, the first Sunday in July. The Eastern Conference had a special meeting for the missionary cause at the session of the conference in April, at Providence, R. I.

I attended the Northern Conference, which held its session at Marionette, Wis. While there I read the conference secretary's report, and spoke of our work to a large audience. I wish it could have been possible for me to have attended all our conferences.

In the beginning of the year, Miss Jacobson, in Pakur, India, wrote a long letter to each auxiliary, which was very much appreciated. She writes that the work on the buildings is progressing, and she is looking forward to the time when they will be completed. She thinks that then they will be spared much sickness, which comes from damp and poor houses. In her last letter she tells of Mr. Meik's sickness. He managed the work on the buildings, so it would be hard for them if he should have to leave soon. She herself has not been feeling well for some time and needs a missionary there as soon as possible. She asks for a name for the building.

Miss Mary Olson, who went to Penang in August, was well and hopeful when last heard from. She feels sure that she will like

her work there. She believes fully that God will keep her for His service. The auxiliaries in St. Paul and Minneapolis gave Miss Olson a purse of \$29 for her outfit.

Our Editor, Mrs. Wm. Henschen, of Chicago, has been most faithful in her work. She has had about four columns of missionary information every other week in our church paper. This literature has increased the knowledge of our work among the members, and has also been of interest to them. She has done all the translating for us.

We have had 3,000 copies of the "Constitution," and 3,000 of a leaflet, the "Woman's Cry," published and sent out to the auxiliaries. Of the "Hindu Women and their Homes," we have had 4,000 copies printed. These we sell at one cent a copy. Next year we must spend more on free literature. There are 298 mite-boxes in use among us.

We can truly say that we have more faith and courage in store for the coming year than we had last year, believing that when our weakness comes in contact with God's strength, there will be no failure.

MRS. A. FARRELL, *Secretary.*

NORTHERN CONFERENCE TO MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH

28 Auxiliaries, 733 Members, 54 Mite-boxes.

Dues	\$618.00
Life Members (2).....	10.00
Scholarship	10.00
Mite-boxes	7.00
Miss Mary Olson's Outfit.....	29.15

Total to Branch	\$674.15
Total to Contingent Fund.....	96.44

Grand Total..... \$770.59

CENTRAL CONFERENCE TO NORTHWESTERN BRANCH

24 Auxiliaries, 550 Members.

Dues	\$498.38
Gifts to Pakur Building.....	98.00

Total to Branch..... \$596.38

Total to Contingent Fund..... 24.97

Grand Total..... \$621.35

EASTERN CONFERENCE TO NEW ENGLAND BRANCH

20 Auxiliaries, 555 Members, 75 Mite-boxes.

Dues	\$484.00
Special Gifts to Pakur.....	20.00
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Total to Branch	\$504.00
Total to Contingent Fund.....	61.35
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Grand Total.....	\$565.35

WESTERN CONFERENCE TO TOPEKA AND DES MOINES
BRANCHES

16 Auxiliaries, 333 Members, 111 Mite-boxes.

Dues	\$461.05
To Contingent Fund.....	46.35
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Grand Total.....	\$507.40

CALIFORNIA DISTRICT TO PACIFIC BRANCH

6 Auxiliaries, 107 Members, 58 Mite-boxes.

Dues	\$287.25
To Contingent Fund.....	3.50
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Grand Total.....	\$290.75

Total Receipts.

From Different Branches, including Gifts.....	\$2,522.83
From Contingent Fund	232.61
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Grand Total.....	\$2,755.44

Total Auxiliaries, 94; Total Membership, 2,278.

Disbursements.

For Literature.....	\$40.65
Conference Secretaries' Expenses.....	43.94
Secretary's Expenses	25.25
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Total Disbursements.....	\$109.84
Balance on hand, October 1, 1903.....	\$122.77

MRS. A. FARRELL, *Treasurer.*

HOME STATISTICS, OCTOBER 1, 1902—OCTOBER 1, 1903.

Branches	Auxiliaries	Members	Young Women and Standard Bearers	Members	King's, Herald's and Children's Bands	Members	Little Light Bearers	Conference Sec's	District Secretaries	Sub. to W. Miss. Friend	Sub. to Children's Friend	German Friend	Subscribers to The Study	Receipts, including Contingent Fund
New England	470	11,816	21	6,131	188	4,587	2,046	13	31	2,068	8,819	61	2,651	\$33,933 03
New York	901	25,541	231	5,710	75	1,656	830	14	44	3,149	4,899	270	4,874	74,570 00
Philadelphia	467	13,585	209	5,278	87	1,904	581	8	29	2,929	2,883	47	4,209	57,057 05
Baltimore	122	3,514	32	1,427	42	1,609	652	4	6	832	1,114	65	915	21,829 19
Cincinnati	880	19,135	175	3,025	119	2,370	238	9	42	2,971	2,655	233	4,703	70,207 95
Northwestern	1,231	31,961	371	8,925	181	4,346	1,394	12	68	5,856	6,253	803	7,693	119,833 30
Des Moines	621	15,503	114	2,749	57	1,667	40	10	34	2,579	2,891	636	4,589	51,082 98
Minneapolis	277	5,563	55	1,070	87	1,952	500	9	16	665	1,307	664	1,190	17,782 30
Topeka	329	7,300	59	1,554	33	595	92	16	40	1,389	1,879	664	2,770	24,000 00
Pacific	136	3,120	13	1,784	31	765	81	5	10	583	852	152	874	15,726 00
Columbia River	89	1,781	26	637	12	225	871	6		410	576	57	676	7,421 93
German	386	7,868	20	384	11	270	(Scattering)			307	258	561		
Swedish	94	2,278								382	153	32		
Norwegian	4	240												
	6,017	149,205	1,326	38,674	912	21,886	7,328	106	320	24,120	29,560	4,250	35,154	\$462,493 82

DISBURSEMENTS BY BRANCHES, OCTOBER 1, 1902—OCTOBER 1, 1903.

	New England	New York	Philadelphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	Northwestern	Des Moines	Minnneapolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River
India	\$13,056 55	\$30,724 84	\$12,735 98	\$6,005 00	\$27,860 00	\$44,969 44	\$23,856 12	\$4,205 30			
Malaysia	1,105 00		749 00			2,650 00		14,822 35			
Korea	1,766 35	6,048 69	2,913 00	675 00	45 00	2,650 00		145 00			\$2,555 00
Japan	3,805 00	9,276 92	17,091 02	2,498 00	12,190 00	13,225 00	5,475 00	2,713 00			1,029 00
China	8,741 40	14,721 75	4,505 73	2,328 00	3,850 00	26,626 95	10,290 60	24,473 93			
Bulgaria	250 00	280 00	320 00			2,313 13		40 00			435 00
Italy	300 00	1,097 25	315 00	139 00	350 00	7,590 00	200 00	1,000 00			2,722 50
South America	2,040 00	4,720 20	390 00			9,580 00					15 00
Mexico	2,887 00	3,080 00	7,325 00	65 00	3,660 00	5,100 00	2,025 00				
Burma							3,567 50	25 00			
Africa		735 00				675 00					
Pots Scholarship Fund		311 72		155 75							
Contingent		2,548 19	1,397 38		860 00	1,600 00	386 00	1,293 99			88 00
Philippines						150 00		220 00			
Switzerland						170 00					
North Germany											206 59
Miscellaneous	4,380 59	4,321 99	1,846 41	7,779 80	12,307 88	10,647 15	862 69				
Total	\$38,861 89	\$77,866 55	\$49,588 52	\$20,246 81	\$67,577 86	\$125,946 67	\$46,662 91	\$27,528 57	\$26,860 97	\$17,243 35	\$6,751 09

Report of General Treasurer

RECEIPTS

Balance, November 1, 1902, Reported at General Executive..	\$21.80
Returned from Trunk Line Agent	11.00
New England Branch	\$180
New York Branch	425
Philadelphia Branch	212
Baltimore Branch	66
Cincinnati Branch	288
Northwestern Branch	466
Des Moines Branch	216
Minneapolis Branch	60
Topeka Branch	102
Pacific Branch	42
Columbia River Branch	23
	————— \$2,080.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenses to General Executive Meeting in Minneapolis, November, 1902, of Branch Secretaries, two Delegates and Missionaries, first year at home.

President	\$58.50
General Secretary	58.84
Secretary Children's Department	51.40
New England, Secretary, Delegates	170.26
New York, Secretary, Delegates, 2 Missionaries	264.33
Philadelphia, Secretary, Delegates, 1 Missionary	156.43
Baltimore, Secretary, Delegates	138.25
Cincinnati, Secretary, Delegates, 4 Missionaries	245.87
Northwestern, Secretary, Delegates, 7 Missionaries	216.96
Des Moines, Secretary, Delegates, 1 Missionary	54.89
Topeka, Secretary, Delegates	80.28

Pacific, Secretary, Delegates, 1 Missionary	261.65
Columbia River, Secretary, 1 Missionary	96.00
Minneapolis, Delegates	22.06
German, Secretary	10.00

\$1,885.72

Expenses to Reference Committee Meeting at Seabright, N. J., June 2, 1903:

New England Branch	\$11.75
Baltimore Branch	16.82
Cincinnati Branch	24.00
Northwestern Branch	49.00
Des Moines Branch	50.00
Minneapolis Branch	50.00
Topeka Branch	73.00

\$274.57

Expenses, Committee on Foreign Property, printing, postage, etc.	\$10.15
Expenses General Secretary, printing, postage, etc....	\$19.39
Expenses Secretary Children's Dept., printing, postage, etc.	8.82

28.21

Expenses of securing Power of Attorney for Elizabeth Russell, Nagasaki	3.25
Cablegram to Sendai, Japan	7.28
Cablegram to Baroda, India	8.60

\$15.88

Total disbursements	\$2,217.78
Receipts	2,112.80

Deficit, October 1, 1903

\$104.98

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

Audited and found correct:

CAROLINE C. LAYCRAP.

L. M. STROW.

SARAH K. CORNELL.

Report of Foreign Work

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

INDIA

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE

*Organized as a Conference in 1864.
Woman's Work Commenced in 1869.*

MISSIONARIES

Bareilly.

FANNIE M. ENGLISH,
MARY WILSON,
MARGARET D. LEWIS, M.D.

Budaon

*KATE O. CURTS.

Pithoragarh.

MARY REED.
ANNIE BUDDEN,
MARTHA SHELDON, M.D.
LUCY W. SULLIVAN.

Naini Tal.

SARAH A. EASTON,
RUE E. SELLERS.

Lucknow.

*FLORENCE L. NICHOLS,
*MARION NEWTON,
HELEN INGRAM,
*EVA M. HARDIE,
LOUISE T. BROUSE,
RUTH E. ROBINSON,
LILAVATI SINGH,
ELIZABETH HOGE.

Pauri.

THERESA J. KYLE.

Gonda.

FANNIE SCOTT,
E. M. RUDDICK.

Moradabad.

ALICE MEANS.
MARY MEANS.

Sitapur.

IDA GRACE LOPER.

Shahjahanpur.

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MRS. W. A. MANSELL,
MRS. C. L. BARE,
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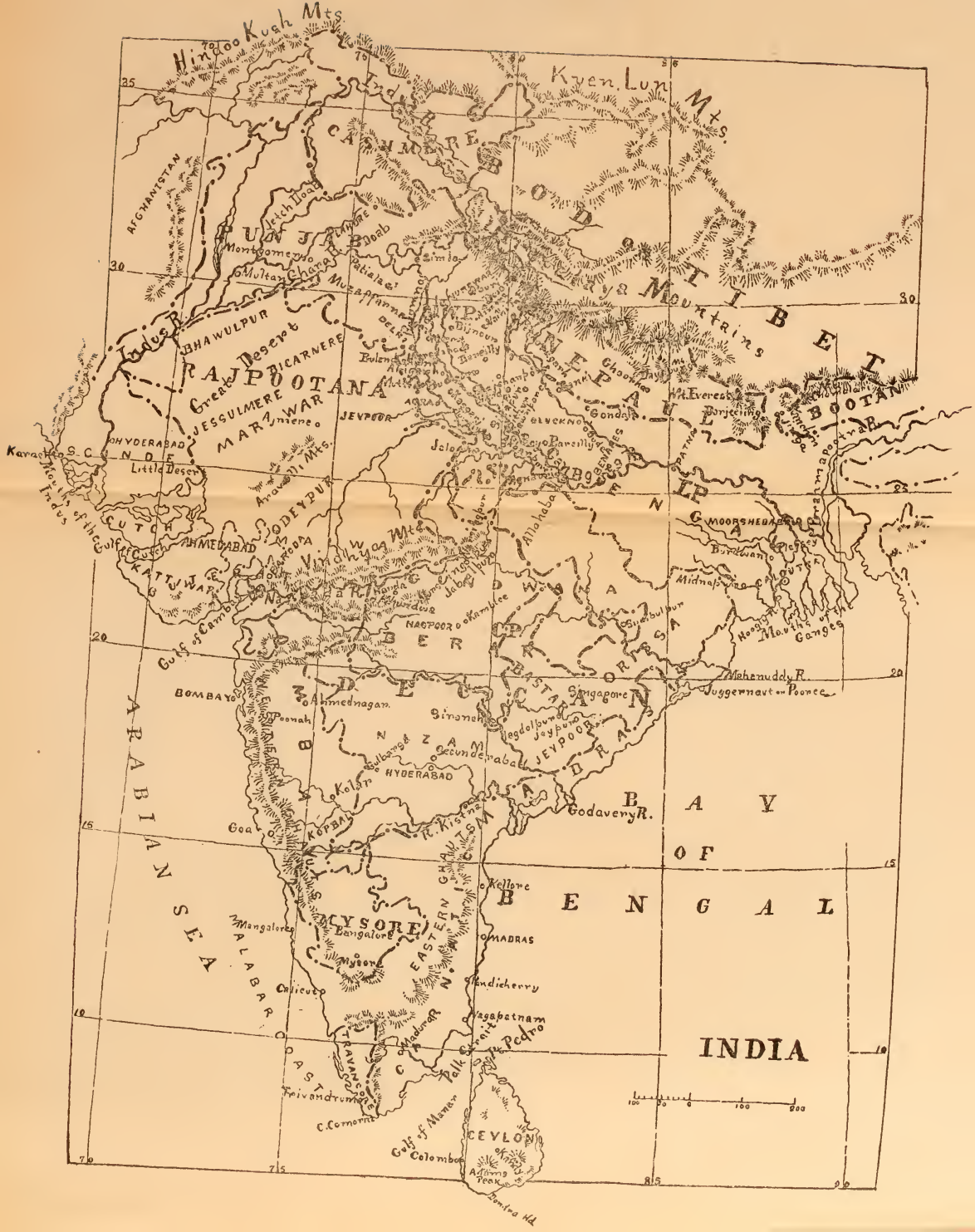
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MRS. J. H. MESSMORE,
MRS. C. C. ASHE.

MRS. S. KNOWLES,
*MRS. J. A. CORE,
MRS. N. L. ROCKEY,
MRS. J. N. WEST,
MRS. A. B. HEWES,

*On home leave.

Another year of most successful work has crowned the labors of our missionaries and teachers in this, the first field in India, and indeed in any country for distinctive work under the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Nine Presiding Elder's Districts are included in this Conference, in each of which our Society holds an important place in the propagation of the Gospel story of peace, and though handicapped by an in-



sufficient force of workers, so that some important centers have been left without a missionary, still a most successful year has been added to those reported heretofore.

BAREILLY-KUMOAN DISTRICT with its far-reaching territory takes in many mountain stations, and includes very important work on the plains. Naini Tal the noted mountain station with the Wellesley High School, keeps up a record for character building as well as for scholarship, and for growth on all lines. Miss Easton is still at the head, after giving a quarter of a century to this work of uplifting India's daughters, whether native or of foreign parentage. Hindustani work under Mrs. Neeld's superintendence is carried on by one assistant, four teachers and three Bible-women. Naini Tal, Tarai, and Bhabar work are under the care of Mrs. Knowles and a large force of teachers and Bible-women are employed. New recruits have been gathered in Huldwani and Isai Nagar.

THE DWARAHAT Boarding School opened with twenty-six girls, and though poorly equipped in the way of teachers finished the year with credit. Nineteen villages are regularly visited by Dwarahat Bible-women.

BHOT. Dr. Sheldon and Miss Brown still hold the fort on the Thibetan border. Once they got over the lines and did some work but were discovered and escorted back across the border, not however until they secured a Thibetan teacher. Their work continues to be self-supporting. Pithoragarh Circuit includes the Girls' Boarding School, the Home for Homeless Women, medical work and evangelistic work and all these interests are in a flourishing condition. 80 girls are in the Boarding School, 70 in the Woman's Home, which is really an Industrial Home as the women work in various ways, ten of them being blind. One Bible-woman goes from village to village, sometimes groping her way or led by another, and tells the story of peace wherever she can find an auditor.

BAREILLY. This brings us down to the plains where the multitudes are found and the poor are always present. The Orphanage and Boarding School with three hundred and thirty-one on the roll, would be enough to keep one busy. Miss English reports a good year, though a very busy one. The Woman's School under Mrs. T. J. Scott is composed of the wives of preachers who are in the Theological Seminary. 53 names were on the roll during the year, 34 took the Bible reader's course of study and most of them passed. The good accomplished by this school can hardly be over estimated. The opening of Medical Work in Bareilly was early in the history of our Society, and was specially notable by the gift of the Nawab of Rampur of

property valued at \$15,000, which was a great help in creating sentiment for this society not in India only, but with the doubting Marthas in our own land. Dr. Margaret Lewis reports most fully and encouragingly of the work under her care. The attendance is about the same as last year, rich and poor, high and low caste Mohanmedans, Hindus and Christians have come for treatment, the daily attendance varying from 40 to 200, the greatest number during the hot months, the smallest the weeks of heathen festival. All who come spend a time in the waiting room listening to the Bible-woman who sits reading Bible stories or singing bhajans and gazals in which the story of salvation is told, and in many ways the seed is sown day by day. During eight months of 1903 the patients in the dispensary have numbered 5,769, with 10,229 return visits, a total 15,998. This year so far we have 325 in-patients, double the number for the corresponding months last year. We average about 20 patients at a time. A year ago we began using the larger rooms for wards, which has largely increased the in-patient work; we have been granted support for six beds which has been a great blessing especially to the poor christians, who could not stay unless we gave them food. In the coming year we hope to have twelve beds supported, and need many more, besides the Zenana and village work in Bareilly, work is carried on in eight large circuits by 31 Bible-women, many of whom are wives of the native pastors.

WEST SHAHJAHANPUR. The Bidwell Memorial School is under Miss Organ's superintendence, where 80 girls are given christian teaching with most satisfactory results.

GARHUAL DISTRICT includes the Pauri Gadoli Circuit with headquarters at Pauri. The Girls' Orphanage and Boarding School at Pauri numbered 118 and reported a prosperous year, though with many trials. The district work was superintended by Mrs. Messmore, and consisted of the labors of six Bible-women, and here as elsewhere, "His word will not return unto Him void."

MORADABAD DISTRICT is a very compact one consisting of eleven large circuits, each with its net work of christian work. Besides the city and village work in Moradabad and Budaon, there are two Boarding Schools, each meeting a great want and having a good record.

SAMBAHL DISTRICT consists of seven large circuits. The Woman's Work is superintended by Mrs. M. Adams, the Sunday Schools are well attended and the Bible-women's work rich in results.

BIJNOUR DISTRICT has nine large circuits besides the work in Bijnour. Mrs. W. A. Mansell is in charge here and reports en-

couragingly of the boarding school and city work, 19 Bible-women are employed in the various out-stations, and in most of them there is also a day school, and in some cases the fear and prejudice is giving way to the first steps in christian life. *Pilibhit District* like Sambahl is all native work and is under the superintendence of Mrs. Bella Cutling. There are ten out-stations or circuits. The number of baptized women and girls is 2,159. *Hardoi District* is under the care of Mrs. Tupper, wife of the Presiding Elder of the district. She is also a medical graduate and finds a wide field for helping the body as well as the soul. Mrs. Parker who has charge of the evangelistic work, remembering what it was ten years ago, sees a great advance. Then no one thought a girl could be educated, now there is a fine boarding school with over 50 girls in it. The Woman's Conference was presided over by the native Presiding Elder's wife, and all the business was well conducted.

OUDH DISTRICT occupies a territory of five thousand square miles, and reaches from the Ganges on the south to the borders of Nepaul on the north, six million people are accessible, half of these are the objects of interest and labor to the W. F. M. Society. The story of peace must reach them from a woman's lips. Besides the centers at Lucknow and Sitapur, there are nine large circuits in which 350 Bible-women, with the aid of 214 evangelistic teachers carry the bread of life to those who are ready to perish. They are greatly aided by the wives of our missionaries, many of whom do double work in assisting their husbands, yet find a place for this distinctively woman's work. There are 15,112 baptized women and girls in this district, Sitapur Boarding School with 70 girls under the care of Miss Loper, has passed a successful year. A deep religious interest and the decided stand taken by many for the right are among the things to be thankful for in this school at Lucknow, with College and High School and a prosperous city work. Progress is reported on every line from College to Kindergarten, and the need of help is very urgent. The Deaconess Home fills a great want and is a help to each of the other divisions. Hospital visitation, temperance work, cottage prayer meetings, Bible readings and many other helps come from this quiet stream of influence that enriches as it flows onward.

GONDA DISTRICT consists of Gonda proper and nine circuits in which 32 Bible-women are employed, and the average attendance of listeners each month is 1,235. 27 Bible-women are employed. The removal of Miss Hoge from this district without sending some one in her place was a necessity perhaps, but it left a heavy burden on Miss Scott. The Boarding School is happy in the fact that the assistant

teachers come from Miss Easton's School, at Naini Tal, and are thoroughly prepared for their work.

This district needs to be reinforced and the school building should be enlarged and that speedily.

Summing up the work of the North India Conference at the close of 34 years we have

Missionaries of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	21
Wives of foreign missionaries	16
Wives of native members of Conference	66
Assistants	12
Evangelistic teachers	244
Bible Readers	355
Voluntary workers	122
Number of baptized women and girls	15,122
Number baptized in the last year.....	684
Number of unbaptized women and girls in Christian families...	2,460
Number of Christian women under instruction	7,536
Number of non-Christian women under instruction.....	12,076
Average number of listeners each month	13,381

In view of results achieved and prayers answered, we can pass the word along the whole line—"Speak to the women of world-wide Methodism that they go forward!"

MRS. E. T. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTH WEST INDIA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference in 1892.

MISSIONARIES

*Ajmer.*CHARLOTTE HOLMAN,
EDNA BECK, M. D.*Phalera.*ANNIE E. LAWSON,
LILY GREEN,
LILIAN E. MARKS.*Aligarh.*

LAURA G. BOBENHOUSE.

Cawnpore.

ADA J. LAUCK,

*Meerut.*MELVA LIVERMORE,
ANNIE S. WINSLOW.*Multra.*MARY E. GRIGG,
ISABEL MCKNIGHT.*Brindaban.*

EMMA SCOTT, M. D.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES.

MRS. SCOTT,
MRS. ASHE,
MRS. CLANCY,
MRS. WILSON,
MRS. MANSELL.MRS. HOSKINS,
MRS. BUCK,
MRS. THOMAS,
MRS. D. CLANCY,
MRS. LYON.*Statistics.*

Number of Boarding Schools, 12; Scholars, 873. High School, 1; Scholars, 161. Day Schools, 147; Scholars, 1649. Sunday Schools, 316; Scholars, 6611. Missionaries, 12. Wives of Missionaries, 10. Bible Readers, 185. Baptized Women and Girls, 18,995.

Every letter from this conference has brought joy to our hearts. The schools increase in numbers and efficiency, the Bible-women are welcomed to the villages and people are turning from their false gods.

MEERUT. Miss Livermore says: Three more girls have passed the Government examinations, the grant in aid was again increased, the Inspector's report was the best ever given and the scheme has had mention in Government circles, but we pass by these items, which represent days of thought, study and labor, to that which is of greatest interest, to that for which the Howard Pleased memorial school was founded and is maintained, the growth in christian character and usefulness. Our girls may know Urdu, Hindi, Arithmetic, Geography and History, but if they do not know the language of the christian life, if they do not know the difference between sin and salvation, if

they do not know the kingdom of the human heart and the ravages that sin can make therein, if they know nothing of heart victories, if they are unacquainted with the land marks of advanced christian life, then is the letter being carried out and not the spirit of the founding of the scheme.

"These ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone."

Following the conference in January, there was a revival in the school, conversions were of the old stamp, convictions genuine. I cannot say that all of the girls were converted but many were reached and decided definitely for Christ. In our class meeting the power of God is felt and we continue to plan and work for the future, for there is much territory yet for grace to gain in the hearts of these girls.

In our Meerut district we have sixty village teachers, most of whom are wives of our Pastor teachers. They are, as a rule simple village women, not long christian, having received their instruction in our training schools. We find them most helpful in the work among the people. Of the eleven thousand christians in this district, forty-six hundred are women and girls, nine hundred of whom have been baptized this year. For these girls and women we have 54 Sunday schools and 24 day schools. There has been steady growth among the people and whenever they have had proper care, real advancement in the christian life. Though our chief work has been to care for the christians, yet we have not been unmindful of the heathen. As a rule each Bible Reader has a circle of Hindu and Mohammedan houses where she visits and teaches the women and girls.

MUTTRA. Miss McKnight writes: We have had a good year. In the spirit of the school especially we feel that our prayers are being answered. The girls are interesting and lovable. The more I get hold of the language, the easier it is to get hold of the girls. The inspectress spoke of improvement in discipline as well as scholarship which is a great encouragement. When our school opened again in July, nearly all of our girls returned and with them sixteen new ones. Of the five girls who finished their course in May, one is at work with Mrs. Mansell in Bijnour, one who was from the London Mission returned to them in Almora, and is now doing Zenana work, the other three were sent here by Miss Budden of Pithoragarh, and have returned to her. She expects to use them in her evangelistic band this cold season. She says her best and most reliable Bible Readers are Muttra trained girls. One of the most interesting new girls we have had during the year is a girl who ran off and came here. She was married when a child. Her people are christians but her husband's are not.

He took her to live with them and they greatly mistrusted her and when she could bear it no longer started out and walked through country, inquiring as she went the location of the mission. She finally found us and seems contented and happy. One interesting feature of the training work has been a three week's trip into the villages with all the English students and the senior class of the Hindustani students. By this trip they had an insight into the conditions as they exist, into methods of work, and gained a real interest in the development of the ignorant village christians. There has been a marked difference in the enthusiasm with which they have taken hold of practical work since then. The preachers and their wives were the teachers, and the classes sat under the shade of the trees or in the wide verandas of the mission houses. Bishop Warne was present five days and led many to know Christ better. The Bible Readers who had finished the course were taken through Acts and Bible catechism. One old sister, Salome Das, almost too old to work, became so interested that she said she saw in her dreams, Paul on his journeys. In the classes the women were seated on the floor, babies in arms and several little ones around them working at their lessons, the wonder was that they could remember anything. Yet women who had never known a letter nor written a stroke could read and write the Hindu alphabet before the school closed, and by next summer school they will read the first Hindu book. Dr. Emma Scott of Brindaban opened a little dispensary and cared for the sick, as this is the time for fevers and sore eyes.

BRINDABAN. Our workers here are living in hope that it will not be long before the new hospital building will be in process of construction. For this building we want a piece of land adjoining the present property, which is owned by several people. The agent is friendly and says there is no doubt but we can secure the land in time. Meanwhile, writes Dr. Scott, we are busy trying to care for those who come, and we enjoy making plans for the new building. The total number of visits for the year is 20,800, of new cases, 6,553, besides many who have been treated in Muttra during the summer school and district conference, lasting over five weeks, an average of over 40 patients a day.

On Sunday our workers go out in three groups to hold schools. They are usually held by the road-side under a tree and the children are taught songs and the catechism and given a picture card each Sunday. The Dispensary Bible-woman is very faithful in the delivery of the message, she sits on the veranda or in the waiting room and teaches the women as they go in and out or are waiting for their

turn to be treated. They listen with great interest and occasionally come just to listen. We hope to have a more permanent influence over them when our new building is completed and we can have them for some time under our care.

AJMER. Notwithstanding the fact that in the city of Ajmer more than sixty evangelistic meetings are held weekly by the Methodist Episcopal mission alone, yet there are thousands untouched by the gospel. As we enter the gates of the native city and see on all sides heathenism rampant, and nothing to remind us of christianity, our hearts cry out for more laborers in this whitened harvest field. The work of the Bible Readers is systematically arranged so that different mohallas and families are visited each day in the week. The women are eager to hear, and many of them we believe are christian at heart, but open confession would mean the sacrifice of homes and friends, and these sheltered women do not dare to take the stand.

The Girls' Boarding school has had a year of prosperity. The Lord has been good, no epidemic has entered the compound and not one of the girls has been called to the other shore. The school is making rapid strides in educational lines and it is most encouraging to note the progress in a class from one quarter to another.

What wonderful things the Lord has wrought in these poor famine children. Two years ago they were mere physical wrecks, but now in the full bloom of health, their mental development is nothing less than marvelous. The eagerness with which they apply themselves warrants us in any effort or expenditure. Frequently an entire class comes to ask for longer hours of study, or for advancement to more difficult branches.

PHALERA. The year has brought improvements in many ways. A new mud-walled thatch-roofed church has been built and a new school house in the girls' compound built of the same primitive material and in the same manner, with a broad veranda on all sides in which the classes sit for recitation. Fifteen of the more advanced girls have been transferred to the Ajmer school, and at present there are 256 girls and 46 women.

About one hundred bushels of grain were harvested, and all the vegetables used by this large family were raised by the girls and women. They cut the grain and winnowed it. The women also spin the yarn used in making the beautiful rugs turned out by the Boys Orphanage.

During the winter 75 girls were received into full membership of the church and all the new ones after careful instruction were baptized. A mela and camp meeting held at Tilaunia were a source of

help and blessing to many. Nearly a thousand boys and girls were in attendance, the future hope of Rajputana.

CAWNPORE. The total enrollment for the Cawnpore Girls' High school has been 161, of whom 84 have been boarders. The health of the school has been excellent, and although plague was rampant in the city, in the words of scripture, "It has not come nigh our dwelling." In this school there has been great need for a missionary, Miss Lauck having given eleven years of faithful service without a furlough, but before time for another report we hope this need will have been abundantly supplied.

Although no official report has come of our work on the Allahabad District Orphanage and Day schools, Aligarh Orphanage, Industrial home and District work, and of the Punjab and Kasganj Districts, yet did time and space permit, we could tell of much that has reached us from various sources to encourage and cheer at each point and in every department. To God be all the Glory.

MATILDA WATSON, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1876.

Reorganized 1886.

MISSIONARIES

Haiderabad.

CATHERINE WOOD,
ALICE EVANS,
ELIZABETH WELLS.

Kolar.

FANNIE F. FISHER,
FLORENCE MASKELL,
URDELL MONTGOMERY,
GRACE WOODS.

Madras.

GRACE STEPHENS.

Raichur.

NORMA FENDERICK.

Raipur.

EMILY L. HARVEY.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

Raipur.

MRS. GEO. K. GILDER.

Bidar.

MRS. A. E. COOK.

RAIPUR. Miss Harvey is holding the fort here under such serious conditions as imperil life. The widows and orphans are crowded into close and poorly ventilated quarters in the cold season, and washed entirely out of them when it rains. They sit at night on the veranda of Miss Harvey's bungalow on the driest spots they can find, and it is difficult in the morning to replace their soaked garments with dry

ones, so badly does the store-room leak. It is not surprising that sickness to an alarming extent has prevailed, so that Miss Harvey has been obliged to crowd eighteen into two rooms occupied usually by four.

The strain and anxiety resulted in fever for herself, and when that was over ophthalmia set in, and with bandaged eyes suffering agony she lay in a dark room for days. Her assistants, she says, are pure gold, and they have cared for all the work when she was laid by or absent to the best of their ability. Her Bible-women are doing excellent work and reporting converts and inquirers. Improvement with the children in their studies, morals and deportment is very encouraging. She is constantly refusing admission to the girls that come, and that need so badly the protection and training the school and orphanage would give. We have in South India at the present time no need so great as that of an associate missionary to Miss Harvey, together with the buildings the work requires.

SIRONCHA. Here interests are still in the hands of the native pastor and his wife Deborah. Rev. C. B. Ward, acting presiding elder in the absence of Mr. Gilder, reports the school work advancing satisfactorily and the health, morals and spiritual life of the women and girls well looked after. Two of our missionaries should soon be sent to Sironcha. Who will offer herself?

HAIDERABAD. Miss Wood says: We are enjoying our Zenana Home. You doubtless have seen it illustrated in the South India Woman's Conference report, and I must say that it looks better outside than it does inside. It had always been used as an office, and after it had been renovated and put in order the change was very marked. She expresses with confidence the hope that the work we are doing in the hearts and minds of the women and girls in that Mohammedan city may produce as great a change. When she meets discouragements she looks backward and measures success. It is not long since every Zenana was barred, now more doors are open than they can enter. Her Zenana party was a decided success, and women from the city have visited her, one party remaining two days and two nights. The school work is very encouraging, attendance constantly increasing. The Bible-women in twelve different villages and neighborhoods are doing regular work.

KOLAR. Miss Fisher reporting says: Miss Maskell's work has been specially blessed of the Lord. Several converts have received public baptism, and one Gosha woman (Mohammedan) who felt she could not face the public, having been so carefully concealed in her home, came to the Deaconess Home and was baptized, that being the

first time she had looked upon a man other than her immediate family. Three other Gosha women stole away from their homes at night and came in at a back door of the Home to the public Sunday evening service. Many more have given up idol worship and abandoned heathen ceremonies. The village schools are very prosperous, and in revival services conducted by Miss Maskell nearly all the boys and girls sought Jesus the Saviour and were saved for service. Many are total abstainers from intoxicating drinks and actively engaged in temperance work. Fifteen new girls have been received into the orphanage and its fame has spread to the city of Mysore. This the result of a prize competition for one yard of lace. One girl received the 1st prize in the All-India Sunday School examination in Kanarese. There has been much sickness and some deaths and only an intemperate native doctor to look to for help.

VIKERABAD. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society found itself very unexpectedly, at the close of the last South India Conference, in Vikerabad, by the transfer of Miss Wells from Hyderabad. Let this be our interpretation of the unexpected: God knew better than we what we could do, and so thrust us out. Miss Wells finds ample opportunity for building up a great work, and her strength is taxed to the utmost. With her Bible-women she visits in eight villages each week, going to the nearer ones more than once. She says: "Think of a parish of two thousand and four hundred square miles, containing a half-million souls, with yourself the only W. F. M. S. missionary and only one representative from the General Board." She has fifteen girls in the boarding-school. Sympathy with and relief given to the sick and unfortunate have done much to make a place for herself and her work in the hearts of the people, and they conclude that the message she brings—"God is Love"—must be true.

BANGALORE.—Here another surprise awaited us. Miss Montgomery, the new missionary, was placed there and given the care of the Girls' Department of the Baldwin Boarding School, designed to be a co-educational institution. Not having received any report from there, I am unable to give one.

RAICHUR.—We are again reminded of Dr. S. L. Baldwin's humorous interpretation of our initials—W. F. M. S.—as "Woman's Friendly Marrying Society."

In June last Dr. Ernsberger led to the hymeneal altar our missionary, Miss Margaret R. Carver. Nothing was lacking but good Cincinnati's blessing, which of course she gave, and Philadelphia, equally good, supplied the vacancy. Land for buildings, appropri-

ated for last year, had not, August 6, been secured, but there was fair prospect of getting a fine site soon.

The latest report of the school was fifty-five pupils. Miss Carver wrote, "We have so many grown girls in the School, some acting as pupil-teachers, that the discipline of the school is an easy problem. Lying and stealing, faults so common in this land, are almost unknown among us, and a more trustworthy set of girls it would be difficult to find.

MADRAS. "Embarrassed by my riches" I scarcely know how to cull from them the brief report I am permitted to give. Of the schools I offer this testimony to their excellence and Miss Stephens' management. After an examination made by the Government Inspector, without Miss Stephens' solicitation, she received a grant in aid of Rupees 1,300. This for native mission work is extraordinary. Dr. Rudisill made the Scripture examination of the orphanage and schools and says: "On occasion of my first examination I thought your schools did finely, but on this they did what one would call the 'impossible,' were he not present and heard for himself the amazing rapidity, fluency and correctness of the replies to the questions put to all standards from the seventh to the kindergarteners. Of the 1,500 questions asked, but nine called forth the slightest hesitancy, and only two were missed." The Skidmore Orphanage receives frequent accessions, and its motherly arms are always extended to the unfortunate ones who need its care. Miss D'Jordan in charge of Zenana work reports 17,283 visits made in the city by herself and her assistants. 335 women regular pupils and 11,487 listeners. Sooboonagam, the high born and once haughty Brahmin is being more and more transformed into the likeness of Him who said, "I am among you as one who serveth." She spent Christmas morning in the hot kitchen preparing a Christmas dinner for the poor village christians, and in Bethesda, the little house at the gate, she served them. Miss Stephens says "you can judge what their condition was when I tell you I did not dare loan them our dishes, and the food was placed on leaves that they might be destroyed when used." Such service makes a profound impression. The Holy Spirit through Sooboonagam has made many converts, and some are waiting on God to show them his time to forsake all and in baptism acknowledge him Lord and Master. The keeper of the temple with which John the converted priest, "the man with the noseless face" was identified, and the goldsmith are among the more noted converts, but the one that caused her most anxiety and which placed her entire compound in greatest peril was a girl named Lingamah, "a little queen

in her village" who slipped from her home in the early morning. Her absence was soon discovered and then began the efforts of her people to get her back, pleading, bribing, threatening, raving. Her answer always, "I cannot go back," "Jesus is my Lord, my Life." Miss Stephens was obliged to call in the police and they were there a long time, day and night.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent.*

BOMBAY CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1892.

Woman's Work Commenced 1884.

MISSIONARIES

Basim.

MARTHA J. MILLER.

Bombay.

CHRISTINA H. LAWSON,
ANNIE NORTON, M. D.,
HELEN E. ROBINSON.

Godhra.

ANNA A. ABBOTT.

Baroda.

SARAH B. TURNER,
MARY B. TUTTLE, M. D.,
MARY E. WILLIAMS.

Jabalpur.

LOUISE HEAFER

Khandwa.

ANNA R. ELICKER.

Poona.

FANNIE A. BENNETT,
ESTELLE M. FILES.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS. M. D. ABBOTT,
MRS. E. B. FREASE,

MRS. W. E. ROBBINS,
MRS. R. G. WARD,
MRS. G. W. PARK.

MRS. D. O. FOX,
MRS. W. L. CLARKE,

OTHER LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS. DR. STEPHENS.

MISS A. HOLM,

MRS. E. VARDON.

IN CHARGE OF ENGLISH WORK

MRS. LINZELL,
MRS. WOOD,

MRS. CALKINS,
MRS. OSBORNE.

MISS JOAN DAVIS,

ON LEAVE TO AMERICA

MISS NETTIE M. HYDE, W. F. M. S.
MISS ELIZABETH NICHOLLS, W. F. M. S.
MRS. E. R. FELT,
MRS. W. H. BRUERE,

MISS MARTELLE ELLIOTT, W. F. M. S.
MISS ELIZABETH BENTHEIM, W. F. M. S.
MRS. W. H. MOORE,
MRS. W. H. STEPHENS.

BOMBAY DISTRICT, *Bombay.* Miss Nicholls having gone home on furlough, Miss Helen Robinson was appointed to the work and thus writes concerning it. "I have only taken a bird's eye view of the evangelistic work carried on in the tenements and Zenanas visited by our women. It is vast in its possibilities, but no general

statement can be made of the attitude of the women toward the Bible teaching they receive from the workers. That can only be illustrated by the parable of the sower. We are earnestly praying for fruit. Thus far but one woman has been baptized, a Parsee lady who is the first convert in Mrs. Bhimjibhoj's work. I am teaching the Life of Christ to a Brahma Samaj lady of more than ordinary intelligence. She has the Unitarian conception of Christ but is without knowledge of the facts of His Life.

Miss Newing has come to take Mrs. Fritchley's place. We hope she may in time fill the place in the hearts and homes of the women which her predecessor did. Visiting the church members is very absorbing work. They are always willing to call their neighbors in while the Hindus and Mohammedans are more exclusive.

City and Day Schools. We may have to lay dear old Raibai aside to do only Bible-woman's work. She has been teaching a Hindu day school for thirteen years. The other day school, which was closed on account of plague has about one hundred children now. We would like to rent larger quarters and introduce Kindergarten work but it is difficult to get teachers. In connection with each of these schools is a Sunday school. We started an open air Sunday school in front of Sarahbai's house before she got plague. Now that she has recovered we hope she and the school may be the means of evangelizing the large district of more than sixty families, where she and her husband are the only christians.

An ideal plan for the work in Bombay would be to have one missionary with plenty of resources to open and supervise day schools and Sunday schools and have a training class for teachers.

The Marathi Woman's Friend, I fear has suffered by change of editors but I hope by practice to make it helpful to mothers and children. It opens new houses for us continually."

Boarding School. Miss Lawson reports as follows: We praise God for having brought us through danger, for although plague threatened to invade our school, and we were obliged to move to Telagaon, still the only case that occurred was a girl whose father insisted upon taking her home. Shanti contracted the disease while there and died. She was one of the brightest girls and was in the high school. Early in the year measles claimed one victim and other diseases took away others and there has been much sickness. We shall be glad when we can have a new and sanitary building.

The girls did well at the annual inspection and we added a matriculation class. This has necessitated taking on another assistant. The spiritual condition of the school is good and there have

been several conversions. In November twenty-two were received into full membership and on Conference Sunday nine were baptized. Yesterday Bishop Warne spoke to the school and baptized five little girls.

POONA. *Day Schools and Evangelistic Work.* Of this work Mrs. Fox says: "For the seventh time since 1896 the plague compelled us to close our schools, some for two months, others for three. For some time before they were closed, the attendance dwindled, owing to the removal of many families from the city into the country. Many of our pupils died and in many cases whole families were wiped out. One little girl said to her mother shortly before she died, "Do not cry mother, I am not yours now, I belong to Jesus and am going to Him." We rejoice that we have been able to tell these little ones of Jesus' love. We have a bright new room for the Frederick Rice Memorial, but the rent is considerably higher than we were paying for the other, which, however, had become really unfit for use. The Bible-women have worked faithfully and not without results. One woman, a Brahmin, has been baptized and her little boy is now attending one of our low caste schools.

Taylor High School for Girls. In addition to her other duties, Mrs. Fox has had the charge of this school, which duty, she only agreed to undertake with the understanding that some one would be sent from America for that purpose as soon as possible. Mrs. Fox writes, "It gave me great joy to hear that Mrs. Eddy had consented to come, for I believe she will prove God's chosen one for the place." A spirit of love and harmony pervades the school and the work is progressing steadily, though we have been somewhat crippled by Miss Files' extended stay in the hills owing to the state of her health. I have been especially pleased to see the willingness of the other teachers to assume extra duties when necessity required. The Wednesday morning prayer meetings are seasons of spiritual blessings. We could use more scholarships if we had them. One of our last year scholarship girls passed the matriculation examination and has entered the Isabella Thoburn College to fit herself more thoroughly for teaching.

Poona Medical Work. From Mrs. Dr. Stephens who is in charge of this work comes the following: "I have had much joy in seeing some remarkable recoveries among our poor patients. Many others have been relieved and we have had to mourn over those whose lives could not be saved. From December 1st, 1901, to November 3d, 1902, we have had 3,058 new cases and 4,252 return visits. The work being largely among our Christian school children, both English

and Native, we have not had the results in conversions we would otherwise have had. My weekly class with the beggars has been regularly held. They are attentive and responsive and Bishop Warne remarked when he conducted the class sometime ago, "The fruit of this work will be seen in heaven." The three girls in training for Bible-women are doing well, as is also Ramabai, whom I taught compounding and who is now learning nursing in Ludhiana.

GUJARAT DISTRICT, *Ahmedabad*. Rev. Mr. Robbins reports for this work, that during the past year Sonabai Yakub and her husband have been opening up new work in the city which is more difficult than the village work. She assists her brother in the day school and Sunday school besides having five mohallas to visit as a Bible-woman, with an aggregate attendance of about one hundred. Laverbai Punja and her husband are stationed this year at a village named Kanj, where they have a community of about one hundred christians who are being faithfully instructed. She had a day school till the services of the children for gathering fruits were in such demand that she had to relinquish it for a time.

BARODA. *Orphanage and Boarding School*. Miss Williams who is the superintendent of this school rejoices in that they have at last begun to build, and hopes soon to be in their new quarters. Much credit is due to Rev. Mr. Frease and Rev. Mr. Ayers who have been untiring in their efforts to secure the property, and now Mr. Ayers is superintending the erection of the buildings. Concerning the Orphanage, Miss Williams writes: "The number of the girls is on the increase and our work among them has been blessed and prospered. We find them ready hearers of the word and many are doers also. The school work has gone on steadily during the year, and with our staff of competent teachers the progress of the school has been most satisfactory. Our hearts are filled with joy and thanksgiving as we enumerate the Father's gifts to us, for surely our cup with blessings overflows. May we be found worthy of all the loving kindness and measure up to his will concerning us."

Woman's Evangelistic Training School. The school has grown in numbers and grade so that a second teacher has been employed. For the past five months the sessions have been held in the new church and school building, in which we have three beautiful class rooms besides a larger assembly room in connection with the Men's Department. Forty-six women have attended during the past year, sixteen have been appointed to the work, three have withdrawn, and one has died, making the first death in the school. The daily sessions are opened with devotional exercises, and of course regular instruc-

tion is given in the Bible, catechism, etc. During the last District Conference at a special service conducted by Bishop Warne, a number of the women came forward to receive a fuller baptism for service and at the Love Feast Sunday morning all testified to having received it. There has been a real work of grace done in their hearts.

Godhra Evangelistic Work. Mrs. Phulbai Ward writes of this work: "The seven women whom I have regularly employed are most of them doing steady and faithful work here in spite of the fact that woman's work is as hard in this place as in most other countries. When Bishop Thoburn visited our circuit last March, he baptized eight hundred and thirty-seven people, of whom at least one-fourth were women. This was due to the faithful work that had been done by the women. I regularly conduct the Sabbath school in connection with the Girl's orphanage, and the circuit workers' wives. During the Bishop's visit we had the pleasure of seeing ninety-nine baptized. I hope shortly to establish some fresh workers in a neighboring state, where there is no christian work whatever."

Godhra Girls' Orphanage. Miss Abbott continues to labor in this work with success. During the past year she has been surrounded by plague, but with two exceptions the girls were kept free from it, and in both those instances the patients recovered. The girls do all their own work and are diligent students of the Bible, and considering their inheritances have made wonderful progress during the time they have been in the school. More than three hundred have been cared for in the school during the past year and the health on the whole has been very good.

Gujarat Evangelistic Work. Miss Holms who has charge of four circuits of this work reports most encouragingly of it. She says: "The two Bible-women whom I have under my care and who are fully trained have done excellent work this year. The evangelistic teachers number eighteen in all. The village day schools are under their care. They conduct school for five hours daily, and are responsible for the Sunday school in the village where each one resides. They also very often go to other villages to conduct service among the heathen. These gatherings have increased in numbers and baptisms are reported. The workers all gather together in one place monthly to submit their reports, talk over the different phases of the work, and to pray one for the other, thus strengthening each others hands. Our general itinerating, though difficult, is a decided success. To meet one's workers just where they live, is just what is needed. They are encouraged by our visits and they have a standing among

the heathen which they otherwise would not have. The villagers are learning to trust us. At the beginning of the year I had the opportunity of nursing a plague case, the person recovered, and this helped us to win their confidence. God is doing His work through us and being with us He must win.

Padra and Savali Circuits. Mrs. Frease reports that in these two circuits are found 1,731 christian people, of whom 815 are women and children in seventy-five villages. For this large number there are only 10 women workers, but small as the number is it is an increase over last year. Some 600 people are ready for baptism which will increase our responsibility and obligations. There are 79 Sunday schools and 39 day schools where 2,597 children and grown people attend the Sunday schools and 565 children the day schools. We rejoice in the arrival of Miss Turner for evangelistic work and Dr. Tuttle for both evangelistic and medical work.

Wasad Circuit, which has been assigned to Miss Turner contains 30 villages containing in all 800 Christian women. There are 8 evangelistic teachers, and the day schools, Sunday schools and prayer meetings are well attended. Miss Turner writes: "On one of our village trips last week the whole christian community came out to see us. Collectively they stayed close by during our entire stay, not excepting the time we were taking a nap and when we turned our faces homeward they ran after us for a long distance to speed us on our way and begged us to come very soon again, but how can we when there are so many people to visit and so few to do the work? We need for this circuit a number of Bible-women and more evangelistic teachers for new schools. My prayer is that God may so pour out His spirit upon us, may so completely take possession of us, that in the coming year we may be used mightily in the salvation of souls."

Hindustani Zenana Work. Mrs. Vardon has charge of this work and praises God for what He has done and prays for more laborers. From thirty-five to thirty-eight houses are on her list, and she could add more but does not deem it wise to take up work which she and her Bible-women cannot do. She writes: "We have had some very encouraging testimonies that the seed has not been sown in vain, and thank God specially for the assurance we had from two young women on their death-beds that Jesus was with them, and that they feared no evil.

CENTRAL PROVINCES DISTRICT. *Basim.* Miss Miller is thankful for the many mercies received since the beginning of the year for although an epidemic of whooping cough attacked about half the

girls in the school, all recovered except baby Susan who was too delicate to stand the strain. After school closed for vacation, a spirit of prayer came over the girls and all over the compound bands of girls in some secluded place of their own planning, could be heard praying and urging those who were unsaved to yield to Christ. This was their own plan, after an hour of prayer and entreaty by Miss Miller, who urged the girls to make the vacation a time of blessing to themselves and others. The compound seemed like a camp-ground for some weeks, and continued so until every girl had united with the praying bands and yielded to Christ. The school work is progressing, and the health of the girls is almost perfect. The Presiding Elder in visiting this school some months ago remarked that he had never seen healthier looking girls anywhere. Miss Miller who has the evangelistic work as well as the school work writes: "The work is intensely interesting. I did some itinerating last cold season and found the people respectful, attentive, and some hungry for the "Bread of Life." One of my faithful Bible-women is dying of consumption, which decreases the force. Many in Basim express their heart felt belief in Christ, but dare not take an open stand for Him.

KHANDWA. Evangelistic Work. In an unusual manner sickness has invaded the homes of the workers, interfering greatly with the teaching by the women, nor has the home of the missionary, Mrs. Martha Day Abbott been exempt, for her only son, a lovely boy of eleven months was very ill for several months, and then the angels carried him Home and the mother is left to carry on her work with an aching though not comfortless heart. Mrs. Abbott writes: "I trust these women have not failed in being lights in the heathen village where they dwell. Phuli, at Pandhana, and Hope, at Biror, have been working where there is much opposition to Christianity, but we believe their labor has not been in vain. Some one must prepare the way for the Gospel, and the task is not always easy. When Louisa was changed to another station I accompanied her on her last round of visits to the women. Some manifested no little concern regarding the coming of another teacher. One young woman who was learning to read and who had just begun one of the gospels followed us to the tonga weeping, begging us not to forsake her, but send another to teach her. We are constantly finding new reasons why the Gospel must be given to the women of this land.

Girls' Orphanage. Miss Elicker who is in charge of this school sends the following:

"The land for which we have been waiting for over a year is at last ours, and we hope by this time next year to have enough build-

ings up to transfer our school to our new quarters. We have had considerable illness among the girls but they are better at present. One of our griefs has been the death of one of our large girls who was about ready to go out into christian work. She was so well prepared for it that it was hard to give her up. We have been enabled to advance a class higher in our school work. We have had many changes and disappointments in our school staff, but are fairly well supplied now, all being christians but one. The girls are doing well in their school work. The Bible classes are making good progress. The Mission Band meetings are still continued and the girls are quite faithful in paying their dues."

JABALPUR. *Boarding School and Orphanage.* Miss Hyde who has had the charge of this institution for more than five years, returned to America in the Spring, and Miss Heafer was appointed by Bishop Thoburn to fill the position. Miss Heafer writes that the annual inspection was very encouraging. Fifty-two girls were passed into the fifth class, and nearly all the classes did well. A spirit of helpfulness seems to pervade the whole school. One of the teachers remarked some time ago, "It is really a pleasure to help these girls, they try so hard to be helpful." One of the most patient girls in sickness, who had been ill more or less for years, was called to her rest not long ago. A few days before her death she called for the superintendent and said, "I should love to get well so as to be a help to you and get ready for God's work, but it seems that it is not His will so I am going to Him." Thirty-seven were received into full membership in the church a few days ago.

Zenana Work. Miss Heafer writes that it was closed entirely for more than three months during the raging of the plague, and that in some places where the women had been working, whole families were carried off by the frightful disease. Many moved away and it has been a constant effort to get the work into shape again. Even now they have not half the number of pupils and listeners as there were at the end of the year, but it is God's work and He can and will take care of it.

NARSINGHPUR. No lady missionary has had charge this year, but Dr. Johnson reports that the work has been going on as usual. Mrs. Felt who has been in America for some time is expected early in October and will in all probability take up the work in this place.

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Official Correspondent.*

BENGAL CONFERENCE

*Organized 1886.**Reorganized 1893.**Woman's Work Opened 1882.*

MISSIONARIES

Asansol.

MIRIAM FORSTER.

Darjeeling.

EMMA L. KNOWLES.

JULIA WISNER,

MARY V. MCKINLEY.

Calcutta.

ELIZABETH MAXEY.

CARRIE SAMSON,

NAINETTE HENKLE,

KATE A. BLAIR,

JENNIE MOYER,

ROSA M. PYNE,

SUSANNA STUMPF.

Pakur.

ALMA JACOBSON.

MISSIONARIES WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS F. W. WARNE,

MRS. J. CULSHAW,

MRS. W. P. BYERS.

MRS. ADA LEE,

MRS. J. P. MEIK,

MRS. M. B. DENNING,

CALCUTTA. *Kindergarten.* Miss Pyne reports that she has all the children that the undesirable hall will accommodate. There is a great lack of supplies and need of more helpers and a new building is a necessity. People crowd at the windows to watch the children at their games and songs. They cannot send them away from the only vision of purity and cheer that comes into their lives, but give them tracts and ask them to pass them on. Miss Pyne has paid for Kindergarten supplies from her private purse and pleads for a building.

Calcutta Girls' School. A cry for more room, more supplies, more appliances, more time for work comes from Miss Samson; she needs especially a piano and a Kindergarten Hall. The number of boarders in the girls' school reached 112 during the year. There has been no serious illness among these girls. Friends have given money for six cases of books which Miss Stoms who was one of the friends selected with great care.

Deaconess Home. Miss Maxey pleads for a building for an Anna Thoburn Deaconess Home. With all its years of honorable service, its deeds of mercy and kindness, with its many changes of place, six since its first opening, the Deaconess work surely deserves an abiding home, with the name of one whose faith and love founded it that January day in 1891.

The Calcutta Orphanage, under the care of Misses Campbell and Smith has but one need, more room. Some way their house full of girls is cared for without charge to our Society. These girls are not only learning books and sewing, but are reaching out a helping hand to others by making text cards for the sailors and scrap books for the Hospital. They carefully preserve all books and papers and send them to the Hospital and other needy places. One of these girls is the faithful President of the Junior League.

Hindustani Work. Miss Stumpf has taken hold of her new work with vigor. The two Bible-women under her care visit 65 homes where they meet large numbers of men, women and children, and tell them the story of redeeming love. A good day school and a Sunday school are connected with this work.

TAMLUK. Miss Moyer writes of a large attendance and a growing interest both in pupils and parents. Two day and three Sunday schools have been opened in nearby villages. The great lack of preachers and teachers greatly retards this work. Miss Blair continues her Bible work, visiting 60 families and reports an increase of interest and attendance. She hopes soon to be in her new home.

Darjeeling Girls' School. Miss Knowles writes hopefully of her work. Two years ago she had but 20 boarders, now she has 70. She reports a new building and the taking in of 20 small boys. These boys are in charge of Miss McKinley, in a separate building, although they recite and take their meals with the girls. Miss Wisner has oversight of the school, and does some teaching while Miss Knowles has general oversight of all the work inside and out. Great harmony has prevailed, the religious influence has been excellent, and several of the older girls have joined the church. A heavy debt still rests on the property. ♦

MAZAFFARPUR. Indiana Conference assumed the support of the Mazaffarpur mission. The site purchased by Mr. Byers comprised 5 acres of land. On it was an excellent brick bungalow, a series of stables, a well, a number of large trees and a plentiful supply of grass. To put the mission in shape for work, required the remodeling of the stable into dormitories, the erection of store rooms and matrons' quarters, the building of a wall around the girls' quarters, and general making over of the premises. On September 19, a great meeting was held and the new buildings were opened.

Bishop Warne recently visited Mazaffarpur and was delighted with everything. A reception was given at the time of his visit when 22 were served to tea on the lawn and inspected the new

school premises. The little iron cots were spotless in new cotton sheets. At the head of each bed were two pegs, one for clothing, the other for a clean towel. At the foot of the beds of the larger girls were neat wooden boxes containing their personal belongings. There are now 34 girls in the school. It is difficult to get girls to come to a christian school, yet the work is growing.

ASANSOL. A visitor to Miss Forster's school says: "I found Miss Forster and her older girls a quarter of a mile from the house, and in the hot sunshine doing their weekly washing. They have no other place in which to bathe or wash their clothes. The bright faces and happy christian songs of these girls were in striking contrast to the sad lives from which christian love had rescued them. At one end of the dormitory which is in perfect order, is the sick room, where a sweet faced girl has found her proper place in her tender care of the sick. In an atmosphere of love these girls are trained for their life work as Bible Readers, teachers, and best of all perhaps, as wives of the christian young men who are trained in Mr. Byer's school.

PAKUR. Mrs. Meik writes that this has been a year of spiritual awakening. Several of the girls have been converted. Others are seeking the Saviour and striving after a better life. The new buildings are going up and will probably be ready for occupancy by January, 1904. The mental wear and tear of the work of building far away from supplies, with no professional supervision has been trying beyond words to express, but the joy of occupancy will compensate for all these vexations. A new era of usefulness is opening up for these faithful workers.

Miss Jacobson has done much visiting with her Bible-women and crowds listen to her message. The dispensary has helped the work much, as all who receive medical aid are ready to receive the gospel message.

BOLPUR. Mrs. Culshaw has 7 widows in training who are daily drinking in the precious truths of God's word that they in turn may give the water of Life to others.

Village Work. The Bible-women visit 26 villages near Bolpur. A new school was opened in one of these villages where 30 or 40 little girls are taught. A Sunday school has been opened by Rebecca the good Bible-woman, where 35 children are learning the way of truth. A native man offers his house free of rent for a day school at this place. Mr. and Mrs. Culshaw are practically the only missionaries in Bolpur, a district of nine hundred thousand people, and are doing most excellent work. The compound is a busy hive

of effective work, yet these workers find time to teach day schools and Sunday schools in the nearby villages.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

BURMA MISSION CONFERENCE

Organized 1901.

Woman's Work Commenced 1881.

MISSIONARIES

Rangoon.

JOSEPHINE STAHL,
CARRIE FOSTER,

EMMA STOCKWELL,
LUELLE RIGBY.

GRACE STOCKWELL,

Thandaung.

FANNIE A. PERKINS,

CHARLOTTE J. ILLINGWORTH.

RANGOON. Misses Stahl and Foster have had a good year's work in the Girls' High School. There has been an increase of twenty-five per cent in numbers. The finances have improved so that they have been able to remodel and paint the home buildings on Lancaster Road. The spiritual tone of the school is excellent, teachers and scholars are working together for success. Their last new boarder is a fair haired blue eyed girl of ten, whose parents are both drunkards, and who was being left to run the streets. A European gentleman brought her to the school and is paying her fee.

Burmese Girls School. Miss Emma Stockwell has had two serious illnesses and Miss Grace Stockwell has had to bear most of the burden of this school. Miss Emma, while growing strong at Thandaung, has been getting a better command of the language. The work being done by the school is well illustrated by the following incident.

"At a meeting held at the English church two of the girls were baptized. Both were from Buddhist families, but both had the full consent of their parents. The youngest, a little girl of seven, looked so small as she stood before the altar that some thought she should receive infant baptism. As the services proceeded, her father came in and went to the front seat. After the services he said: "Now we are a divided family, my little daughter a Christian and we are Buddhists." Then he told how she had preached to him the last time he was at the school to see her. Among other things she said.

"Father you are on the wrong road, why do you worship idols? They can't see, they can't hear, they can't help you." He said, "I could not sleep all that night." He asked us to pray that they might become Christians. A little child shall lead them.

Miss Rigby brings glowing reports of white harvest fields. She speaks thus of a recent visit: "Armed with 500 Scripture portions, 100 small books, and 1000 tracts for free distribution, two Bible-women and myself went aboard a steam launch and started for Twante, a large village some twenty miles from Rangoon. Our work began at once for there were about 150 Burmans on board, and the journey furnished a good opportunity to reach them. Soon nearly all were reading our books. Then we sang and a number gathered around us. One old woman became so interested that she came and sat on the floor at my feet, took my hand and listened eagerly. Some one tauntingly called out to her, 'So you are going to follow them are you?' 'Yes,' she called back, 'I am going to follow.' On reaching Twante we spent our mornings in selling Scriptures in the homes and bazaar, our afternoons in preparation and the evenings in meetings. The meetings were well attended. There were three baptisms. Eagerness to purchase the Scriptures is everywhere manifest."

THANDAUNG. Miss Illingworth who had had charge of the Industrial School and Orphanage during the absence of Miss Perkins in America, was able to hand things over in excellent condition. The attendance is increased, the finances are improved, the girls and boys are all taking an active interest in the work of the home and school, the Epworth League is flourishing. It is fully officered by the girls and boys. The devotional meeting on Thursday evening gives an excellent opportunity for public prayer and testimony. Regular school work in nine grades is carried on. There are now forty-eight children, from two to eighteen years old. The gift of a Majestic range with Pressure boiler, has lessened greatly the work in kitchen and laundry. Miss Perkins took her first lessons in pipe fitting and plumbing, and they now have hot and cold water laid on in kitchen, pantry and laundry.

MRS. CHARLOTTE O'NEAL, *Official Correspondent.*

MALAYSIA

*Including Philippine Islands.**Organized as a Mission 1887.**As a Mission Conference 1893.*

MISSIONARIES

Singapore.

SOPHIE BLACKMORE,
EDITH HEMINGWAY,
MARY D. LILLY.

Kuala Lumpur.

MRS. MARY C. MEEK,
R. LUELLA ANDERSON.

Penang.

*CLARA MARTIN,
MARY E. OLSON.

Taipeng.

C. ETHEL JACKSON.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES

Penang.

MRS. G. F. PYKETT.

Ipo.

MRS. H. L. E. LEURING.

Manila.

DEACONESS HOME AND TRAINING SCHOOL, WINIFRED SPAULDING.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES

MRS. HOMER C. STUNTZ.
MRS. CHENOWETH,

MRS. J. L. McLAUGHLIN,
MRS. BROWN,

MRS. LYONS,
MRS. McCARL,

*Home on leave.

MRS. RADER.

Of this wonderful work in the Malay Peninsula and vicinity, Bishop Warne writes: "This is one of the coming countries of this great earth. On the Asian Archipelago there is room for two hundred millions of people, and they are coming. Jaffua alone has a coast line of nine hundred miles, without a missionary of any denomination. Borneo, it is said is the largest island in the world except Australia, and is yet undeveloped."

The Methodist Church has organized a class of probationers and appointed leaders from among the Chinese Christians who have recently formed a colony in Borneo. A missionary has been appointed to develop the field. Soon they will be asking for a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society worker to come and train their women and children.

SINGAPORE. With its wonderful opportunities for development, there has been no increase in the working force of our missionaries here. The pleading, importunate begging letters for reinforcements have remained unheeded because it is impossible to respond to them. The need is so great and the workers so few. Are we praying as earnestly as we ought?

Miss Blackmore has had almost superhuman strength given her for carrying the work in all departments of service, and lending a hand here, there and everywhere and keeping the wheels of the machinery oiled with love, patience and endurance. She is a tower of strength in all the conference. She has been rewarded in seeing the work grow, the church strengthened, the girls developing into efficient helpers, and many converted.

There are sixty-three girls in the Boarding school. One of the most helpful English girls returned to England in the year which has weakened the working force, yet the work goes on encouragingly.

The Epworth League is very helpful to the girls.

Miss Lilly returned to Singapore in May and was royally welcomed by all the workers in the mission. She shortened her vacation in order to relieve the overworked and overtaxed missionaries.

The Bible training school has had a beginning, and much good is expected to come to the work in the training and development of the natives as Bible-women. Scores could be employed most successfully if we had them trained for their work.

It is with sorrow that we have to report the fact that Miss Cody, our most efficient and successful Kindergartner, and who has been in charge of the Methodist Girls' school in Singapore, has broken in health, and her physician ordered her return home at once. We pray that in the midst of the loving home circle and exhilarating atmosphere of northern Ohio, she may be speedily restored to health.

There is no one to carry on her Training class. The Eurasian and native teachers carry on the kindergarten. We need another Kindergartner at once.

TELUK AYER in the midst of the Chinese population in Singapore has been greatly hindered in its efficiency because it has no local habitation. They have been compelled to move twice in six months and in their present rooms may be given notice to vacate any day. A school building is greatly needed so that a permanent work can be established. Miss Hemingway is embarrassed in her school work for lack of funds to hire teachers for advanced classes. There are 100 children enrolled. Dr. West writes: "If we can win Teluk Ayer for Christ we have won Singapore, we have made our Anglo-Chinese schools Christian, we have conquered Malaysia as far as the Chinese are concerned, for it is to Teluk Ayer that we turn to find the business men of Malaysia, it is to Teluk Ayer that we turn to find the representative homes of Malaysia, it is to Teluk Ayer that the great stream of immigration first comes, and from

there scatters to the labor fields of Malaysia." Let us rally to the support of this very needy work in this important center and give an increased appropriation for teachers and provide a suitable school building. Miss Hemingway writes: "In addition to my school work I have been editing a four page monthly Zenana paper published in Malay. I have translated the material for five numbers, which means much time and thought, but it is an enjoyable work and a privilege to be able to reach so many women in their homes with the Gospel story."

KUALA LUMPUR. Mrs. Meek gives a most interesting account of the growth and development of the children in this school, in their christian character as well as mental acquirements. She says: "We have a Sunday school of forty, which meets at 8 A. M. At 10.30 A. M. every Sunday morning I am in the Chinese congregation. I do not understand Chinese, but I play the organ and lead the singing and after the service speak to the women in Malay. The Government has officially given over to us the school property, with permission to build a boarding school for all nationalities. The Government will give half the cost of the building, provided the mission will raise the first half. A Boarding school building will cost about \$8,000—silver. The Government will pay half and the English friends of the school will raise \$2,000, and it will only require \$1,000 gold from the Society at home to give us a fine substantial building which is very much needed.

Miss Anderson who has charge of the musical and evangelistic work writes in a cheering way of the advancement of her pupils and the conversion of some of the children. She says: "Never has the outlook seemed more encouraging. The schools are growing in numbers and interest, and since Bishop Warnock's visit a decided advancement has been made in the spiritual life of the church. Music is much appreciated here in this rapidly growing city and capital of the Federated States. We are convinced it can be made a strong branch of our work. In fact music has done much in brightening the lives of the children and in cultivating heart and mind.

"In the evangelistic work we have one Tamil Bible-woman who is a faithful worker, going out daily, reading and selling portions of scripture. We cannot refrain from speaking of the value of the Epworth League to our work in this distant corner of the world. When first spoken of, it was thought by some to be impracticable, but a trial of a systematically organized League among Tamil children and adults has proved that Methodist methods are adjust-

able to all nations and conditions. Our Epworth League has thirty members enrolled.

During Bishop Warne's visit here children's meetings were held and several of our largest boys were converted. These children are reading the Junior League reading course books, and the Epworth Herald. Their weekly prayer meeting is conducted by one of their own number. We feel that God's approval is upon this work of training the young for future intelligent work in His Vineyard."

PENANG. Our hearts are aching over the serious illness of Miss Ellis, who was in charge of the work after Miss Martin came home, after an absence of six years. Miss Jackson has been a sister true and faithful and nursed her carefully until, by order of the physician she was able to start to the homeland. Our prayers are constant for her restoration to health. In the loving home circle, in the midst of friends we hope she may soon recover her lost strength and vitality.

The Minneapolis Branch has sent Miss M. E. Olson, a Minnesota girl and a graduate from Hamline University, to take up the work. She sailed for Penang in August.

Miss Martin requests that her vacation be shortened that she may return to Penang in the early spring.

The full amount necessary to finish the C. S. Winchell Home has been sent to the Treasurer by the Minneapolis Branch.

The Alexandria Home for destitute women is a very substantial and commodious building. Mrs. Pykett has worked most earnestly and faithfully in securing funds to complete the home. It is almost paid for by local funds. Mrs. Pykett says: "The way God has led us in this work seems marvelous. I can hardly realize we have the building we have so urgently needed these four and a half years. We praise God for it. There is an Orphanage in connection with Mrs. Pykett's work with nine children under instruction. A memorial has been forwarded to the General Executive meeting asking that this important work be adopted as a child of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

TAIPENG. Miss Jackson writes: "I have begun the study of Chinese and am beginning to feel a little at ease with the tones. On Easter I organized a Bible class of Chinese young men who read English. We have six enrolled. Our Sunday school is a problem, as not many come regularly. The day school goes on as usual. In March three children came from the convent school. Since then one of our girls who was a catholic has left us and gone to the convent. Three Singhalese children have also come to us."

There are Malays, Tamils, Chinese, Singhalese and Eurasians all in this school. The Roman Catholics are pushing their work most persistently and relentlessly. They are equipped with a full corps of workers and seem to have all the money they need to prosecute their methods of work. If we as Protestants could have full supplies both of workers and money, how soon we might capture the nations of the earth.

Miss Jackson ought to have an associate worker. She would rejoice to go into the evangelistic work and visit in the homes of the women and a new missionary could carry on the school work. Let us reinforce our lone missionaries and double our forces on the field.

The Sanitarium which was sorely needed has been purchased and this summer our tired missionaries from the Plains have gone for their needed rest to this delightful retreat in the Larut hills.

IPOH. Mrs. Leuring writes: "Our school has an average attendance of 26. The possibilities are very great, but I have not the time or strength to give to it. Mr. Leuring has built a Deaconess Home during the year. Surely the Conference should send us a Deaconess to give her whole time to the work."

The needs of the Malaysia Conference are four new missionaries, the half expense of a Boarding school at Kuala Lumpor, a new plain, substantial school building at Teluk Ayer in the densely populated Chinese quarters of Singapore and a Deaconess for Ipoh.

PHILIPPINES. This new mission field is full of glowing possibilities. Our Topeka Branch sisters are the pioneers in this great harvest field, having sent out the first Deaconess, Miss Winifred Spaulding to open a Training school for native workers. In the Philippines, Deaconess means Pastora or shepherdess.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society did not make a mistake in the purchase of the Home in Manila. It is a roomy, airy, well built house, with six bedrooms, a reception room, dining room and kitchen with other conveniences. Much of the furniture is also there.

Miss Spaulding is enthusiastic over the country, the people and the opportunities. She has secured the first pupils for the Training School.

Dr. Stuntz advises the employment of an English lady, Miss Parks, who has been in the employ of the Bible society, but desires to enter the evangelistic work. She is deeply spiritual, knows the languages, is well educated, and Dr. Stuntz thinks it would put our

work a year in advance to employ her at once. The Pacific Branch has assumed the support of Miss Parks.

Dr. Stuntz is proving the right man at this critical time in many ways, but especially in the prompt and vigorous manner in which he has taken hold of the opium traffic question. Dr. Stuntz and his co-workers need our sympathies, our prayers and funds to re-inforce the work.

MRS. I. W. JOYCE, *Official Correspondent.*

CHINA

FOOCHOW CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1877.

Woman's Work Commenced by Baltimore Ladies' China Missionary Society 1858.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society Commenced Work 1871.

MISSIONARIES

Foochow.

CARRIE I. JEWELL.	*PHOEBE A. PARKINSON.
ELLEN LYON, M. D.	MRS SUSAN TIPPET.
*JENNIE ADAMS.	LYDIA A. WILKINSON.
JULIA A. BONAFIELD.	FLORENCE PLUMB.
HU KING ENG, M. D.	PHOEBE WELLS.

MRS. E. A. STEPHENSON.

Ming Chiang.

MAY E. CARLETON, M. D.	MARY PETERS.
ISABELLA LONGSTREET.	

Ku Cheng.

WILMA H. ROUSE.	GRACE B. TRAVIS.
*E. MARGUERITE GLENK.	

Hok Chiang.

*LYDIA A. TRIMBLE.	MABEL ALLEN.
LUELLA MASTERS, M. D.	MABEL SIA.

Iong Bing.

MABEL C. HARTFORD.	ALICE LINAM.
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MINISTERS' WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK

MRS. HATTIE C. WILCOX.	MRS. WORLEY.
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*Home on leave.

FOOCHOW. *Girls' Boarding School.* Misses Bonafield and Plumb report: It was a real joy to take up our work with the new

strength and the new ideas which a year in the homeland for one of us and a summer in Japan for the other, had given us.

One hundred and thirty girls have been in attendance and no serious illness has occurred. Just before the Chinese New Year a class of nine nice girls graduated. Five of them remain in the school as teachers, one in the Seminary as student, and another has gone to Iong Bing and is teaching in Miss Hartford's boarding school.

The larger number of the new girls are over twelve years of age and have come from the day school; any entering under that age must pay a nominal fee for board.

The special events of the year were the celebration of the forty-third anniversary of the school, Christmas, week of prayer and Easter.

Since 1888 fifty-four girls have been graduated and thirty of them, all engaged in christian work, were present at the anniversary. One member from each class reported for her class.

The Christmas celebration was held in the church, with an attendance of eight hundred. The program was prepared for heathen women and girls, who were noisy and not very attentive, but they did learn that the christians were celebrating the birth of the Saviour of the world. The week of prayer resulted in the quickening of the spiritual life of many of the christian girls and in marked conversions. Ten of the older girls are class leaders, and each worked especially for her own class, and none were more blessed than the class leaders.

At Easter the students of the three Missions having work in Foo-chow met in our largest church to sing Easter anthems. It must have been an inspiring sight to see over one thousand boys and girls lifted from heathenism singing the praises of Him who was crucified for their sins and rose again for their justification. Some who were present could remember when there was not a christian in that part of China. They looked, listened, reflected and said, "What hath God wrought." Thirty of the girls have, by lace-making, contributed \$60.00 to the school fund. There are fourteen day schools in the District, the most of them doing splendid work.

Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage. That she might give closer supervision to the children, Mrs. Tippet had a room made for herself on the upper floor of the school building, where she spends the days.

She has had thirty-one orphans in the orphanage and some boarders, mothers having learned that babies have better care there than they can give them. There has been but one death, the Valentine baby, sent down with two others by Miss Rouse. The kindergarten and primary school have been crowded, and "No" has been repeated many times to those who wished to attend.

Industrial Work inaugurated by Miss Bonafield and followed up and expanded by Miss Adams, was put under Miss Wilkinson's care upon the return home of Miss Adams. Two hundred and fifty women are being helped through this agency to their daily bread, while religious instruction is given two afternoons of the week and in Sunday school.

Bible-Women. Eight Bible-women are reported. Miss Wells says that as a rule they are brave and often more persevering than the native preacher. They exhibit wonderful tact in adapting themselves to circumstances and in overcoming the prejudice of the people. Miss Wells suffered from a form of low fever in the spring that interfered with her work and caused anxiety to her friends. We are glad to report her much improved.

Island Hospital. The latest report from Dr. Lyon, who is in charge of the Liang-au, or Island Hospital, was sent July 29th, and is without statistics, giving only a general account of the work. She says it has gone on much as in other years. Some one wrote to her, "What a blessing the Hospital is! If nothing else is done, so many get baths and they must remember forever the good feeling it gave them."

"But," says Dr. Lyon, "some die and then, of course, it was the bath that killed them." So afraid are they of going into the next world minus a limb that they will die rather than submit to an amputation. She cites two cases of death, one from bound feet that she felt sure amputation would have saved. Some of the time, veranda and halls have been filled with patients.

Woolston Memorial Hospital. Dr. Hu King Eng in charge writes: "Here we are, still in the same old little hospital in the walled city. How much longer shall we live in it? The ordinary reasons for not building a hospital are mostly due either to want of money or a good site on which to build, but we have both. Moreover, many of my Chinese people know and say that it is a great blessing to them to have the hospital, and yet we wait. You ask what is the hindrance then? It is the obstructiveness of certain officials who do not want a *foreign* building put upon the ground we have bought."

She asks prayer of those who are supporting the work that God will guide and show them the best way to proceed.

On account of her mother's prolonged illness, and having many patients outside the city, and the city gates being closed at night, she was obliged to spend many of the nights at home. Her going back and forth so frequently through the Chinese streets caused her friends much anxiety, but she was graciously preserved from harm. This has

been her fifth year in city work, and she recalls pathetically her shrinking from it, having been told the city people were proud and hard to manage. She says if God never helped any other person by the story of Lot, He certainly helped her by it, and she went to the city because she didn't want to be like Lot. As she bade goodbye to the students in the Island Hospital she said "they wiped away their tears as hard as they could," and when she met the students in the City Hospital they were like "laughing Buddhas," for their term in the little old hospital had expired. She relates a number of incidents of cure resulting in destruction of faith in the idols, and frank and open testimony to the excellence of the foreign hospital, the purity of the Doctrine and the acceptance of Christ. She writes sadly of the death of one of her students, who had been with her three years, and to whom when sick her heathen people gave a kind of pill made of thirty vile things, among them buffalo flies.

She reports: Fees, \$820.64; thank-offering (Mrs. Plumb), \$10.00; total receipts, \$830.64. Hospital in-patients, 902; attendance, 370; dispensary patients, 12,929; patients in homes, 1,080; total prescriptions written and filled, 15,509.

MING CHIANG. Miss Peters has had a very busy and a very blessed year. As many women as could be accommodated were received into the Woman's Training School, and a number well trained have joined the "field hands."

Day Schools. Examining the schools, Miss Peters found a number of the girls who had finished the two years' course of study and were ready to enter the Boarding School. Death has removed some of the most effective Bible-women. Much time has had to be given to overseeing the building of the school.

Medical Work. Dr. Carleton says medical work has had to be secondary to the constant supervision of the building of each section of the Hospital. She was obliged to dismiss her matron, as she had become a chronic invalid through grief over the death of a son. She has secured as teacher a man who has had some training in the Community Hospital under an English physician. He has an exhorter's license and is ready to assist her in any undertaking. She has had three students, and has secured as assistant a graduate from the Foochow Hospital. She hopes with her to resume her itinerating trips.

It is difficult to give regular religious instruction in the Dispensary, as the Chinese do not observe the hours, but they gladly receive portions of scripture in tract form. She has not had many in-patients on account of poor accommodations, receiving only such as would not be

turned away. There has been a decided increase in number of calls to outside patients. Dispensary patients, 3,298; Hospital patients, 12; visits paid, 345.

HOK CHIANG. *The Girls' Boarding School*, in charge of Miss Allen, has had an attendance of 59. Mabel Sia returned from America in time for the spring term, and her teaching in this school and in the Woman's Training School has been a great help to the girls and women. Seven graduated, all going into religious work, five remaining as teachers. All take an interest in Epworth League, Sunday school and class meeting. Twenty-three women have been in the Woman's Training School the past term. Four graduated and are now Bible-women.

The Romanized School is doing good work in preparing women for the Training School and teaching christian women to read. Total attendance for the year, 18.

Bible-Women. Seventeen have been at work during the year, and are well reported by the presiding elders. They have been instrumental in the unbinding of many feet, and have taught the women to walk in the way that leads to life everlasting.

Day Schools. Sixteen have been in operation this year; some of the women attend at night, as they cannot leave home through the day.

Miss Allen, feeling that she could not carry the work on in three districts, closed the Hai Tang Woman's School till Miss Trimble's return, when it will be opened again. Thirteen Bible-women are at work on this Island District, all doing good work. Eleven day schools are now in session and other places are asking for schools. Miss Allen has replied to the call from Duai Dieng by sending them a teacher, and hopes someone will send the requisite \$30.00.

During Chinese New Year the Bible-women and teachers came together for study, and hearing of the work of the Missionary Society at home, were much impressed with the amount of money raised, and of their own accord contributed one-fourth of their month's salary and sent the amount to Khandwa to support a girl there.

Medical Work. Dr. Masters writes: Notwithstanding the heavy rain during the spring, it was not sufficient to increase the water supply in our wells, so we have not been able to reopen the wards. The Hospital has been closed since April 1, 1902, and we have no hope or prospect of reopening until we get water. As in former years we have had regular hours each day, Sundays excepted, to examine and prescribe for cases that come to us. We have successfully performed several surgical operations, among them removal of

cataract, and what a joy it has been to give sight to the blind. Some of these cases were over eighty years of age.

Dispensary patients, 327; prescriptions filled, 606; visits paid patients in their homes, 42; patients in school, 48; total number of patients seen, 483.

KU CHENG DISTRICT. Miss Rouse says of the Woman's School, Romanized School and Girls' Boarding School, that they have all been full and never in the history of the work has there been so much illness. Matron, teachers, pupils, all sick at once. Miss Rouse kept well until vacation and then had remittent fever. Three babies left at her gate were sent down to the Foochow Orphanage. Eighty girls in the Girls' School and twenty in each of the two Woman's Schools, with no foreigner to help, have kept her busy. Miss Glenk's return home has left the day schools and Bible-women without a superintendent, and she could give them but little attention.

The deaf and dumb department has six little mutes, all learning quickly.

YENPING DISTRICT, *South*. Miss Hartford in charge of Girls' Boarding School, Day Schools and Bible-women's work. It would require a red-hot pen and more time and space than I am allowed to report adequately the experiences and work of Miss Hartford. She has straightened tangles, won the goodwill of magistrates, nursed the sick, buried the dead, suffered from hunger and cold on evangelistic trips, beside caring conscientiously for the work to which she was appointed. A sister missionary says, "I have known many unselfish, sympathetic women, but never her equal. Spend and be spent is inwoven in every fibre of her being." She reports all the work in prosperous condition. *North*. Miss Linam says: There are fifteen women in the Training School. One of the pupils takes the Sunday services when the preacher is away, and all the older pupils spend one afternoon of the week visiting in the homes. Every preacher on the district is asking for a Bible-woman, and we have only two on the entire district. Consequently Miss Linam has spent a good deal of time on the different circuits, with good results. There are but two day schools in the district, four Epworth Leagues and three Junior Leagues. One of the Junior Leagues paid \$10.00 on the preacher's salary and \$5.00 to missions.

MRS. E. B. STEVENS, *Official Correspondent*.

HING HUA CONFERENCE

Organized as a Conference 1896.

MISSIONARIES

Hing Hua.

MINNIE E. WILSON,
*ELIZABETH W. VARNEY,

*Home on leave.

Sieng Iu.

MARTHA LEBEUS,
MARTHA NICOLAISEN,

Ing Chung.

ALTHEA M. TODD,
JESSIE A. MARRIOTT.

Yet again attention is called to the sore need of a larger force of missionaries for this field. Each of the three centers occupied suffers, while the brave workers endeavor, to the point of impaired health, to operate the various agencies necessary to the uplifting of the multitudes about them.

HING HUA. Miss Varney's home-coming leaves only Miss Wilson and Miss Westcott for the Girls' Boarding School, the Woman's Training School, twenty-one day schools and evangelistic work throughout two districts. In Sieng Iu the illness of Miss Nicolaisen puts upon Miss Lebeus all the varied interests of that district, while in the great districts of Ing Chung and Toa Chhan Misses Todd and Marriott are unable to spare from the city schools and other work the necessary time to superintend properly their Bible-women in the distant villages. Five new missionaries at least are immediately and imperatively needed.

Five girls were graduated in the spring from the Hamilton Girls' School in Hing Hua. Of these four are employed as teachers and one is giving very efficient service in the Western district.

Mrs. Guthrie has assisted in the Bible Training School, which numbers twenty-eight pupils. She says, "It is encouragng to see the marked difference in the women who have just come in and those who have been with us longer. Our greatest need is a foreigner who can give all her time to this work."

Romanized Chinese is taught. The new pupils begin with a Romanized primer and then go on to the gospels, while the more advanced take up the Old Testament and writing. When sufficiently advanced they spend the summer vacations in village evangelistic work.

Evangelistic Work. Miss Wilson writes of this: "Some work opened in the past year is most promising. I visited one church where we have a Bible-woman who gives half her time to that work and teaches girls and women in a night school. There have been christians in that village only eight months, but many whole families have become probationers. I was the first foreign woman to visit them, so

expected many of the inevitable questions in China concerning parents, a foreign land, myself, etc., but very few were asked. The women and girls gathered around me and said, 'We are only just learning the Gospel; won't you teach us more?' That evening over sixty men and women crowded into the room, and there was the best of order, even from those who have not identified themselves with this cause. Their one aim seems to be to repent and become followers of Jesus Christ. This is only one of many villages calling for the Gospel."

SIENG IU. Miss Lebeus returned from her furlough to find Miss Nicolaisen much worn by the heavy duties performed alone during her absence. The Woman's School numbers twenty-six, besides thirteen babies; the Isabel Hart Girls' School, called in Chinese "Do-deh," which is interpreted "virtuous actions because of the Doctrine," numbers thirty-one—Bible-women, ten; day schools, seven. The tabulated report of the year's work of the Bible-women of this district shows that over 14,000 persons were taught to repeat the Lord's prayer, or the Ten Commandments, or to read Romanized Chinese.

Miss Nicolaisen says as to progress: "We have a better quality of church members, and in respect to collections our poor, frugal Chinese are way above the home church. In many instances one-tenth is the least they give, but the self-denial of these people can be understood only by those who know how little they spend upon themselves. To judge by the contributions which they make out of great poverty our people value their religion and are anxious that it may be proclaimed to others. A number of women have unbound their feet. It means a great deal to these sisters of ours to take this step, to be willing to endure the severe pain which follows the removal of the tight bandages, as well as the ridicule or persecution of their own relations and neighbors. We therefore rejoice when the grace of God is thus manifested in them. I heard lately of an old woman who unbound her feet upon her death bed, because, said she, 'I am afraid to thus appear before God!'"

ING CHUNG. Miss Todd writes from the city of Tek Hoe: "The Carrie R. Donnell Memorial Woman's School has been more than full, as it is planned for only thirty-two women and babies. This year it has had to be stretched to accommodate women, babies, girls and ourselves. We have waited and prayed for the money to build the Girls' School, but it has not yet appeared. Will not some one take pity on us? Many new students have come in. We have been especially fortunate in getting children about nine years of age. These have taken hold of

the work and lessons and have greatly enjoyed the religious meetings. It was very sweet to hear one of them lead their little prayer meeting.

The last few weeks of school were the best of the year. We held special meetings, first with the teachers, then with the older students, and finally with the entire school. Two girls who had been particularly naughty were greatly changed before they left.

We are thankful that God has sent us a native helper, Chrysanthemum by name, a graduate from the Hing Hua Girls' School, to take the place of the Bible-woman who died. This girl has been equal to every emergency always putting others first and self last.

The Toa Chhan District has been neglected because we cannot be in two places at once. While there are only Miss Marriott and myself we cannot make a success of both districts. We have been able to take but one trip over the Ing Chung District during the year. The cost of traveling is great, and then we must leave home for a month at least if we go to the farthest place. How is the evangelistic work to be done? How are the women of these two districts to be taught? In most of the churches only the men of the family attend the services, sometimes because the distance is so great, and sometimes because the men think the women unimportant. We are looking to America and for the time when a new worker shall be sent and we can go to the women who might accept the Gospel if they had a chance to hear. Will you pray for the Bible-women who are in training and for those who are working? Pray and work too for the saving of this million of souls who are now without God."

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTH CHINA

*Woman's Work Organized 1871.**Conference Organized 1893.*

MISSIONARIES

*Peking.*MRS. CHARLOTTE M. JEWELL,
GERTRUDE GILMAN,EFFIE G. YOUNG,
FRANCES O. WILSON,

ANNA D. GLOSS, M. D.

Tientsin.

LIZZIE E. MARTIN,

M. IDA STEVENSON, M. D.

EMMA E. MARTIN, M. D.

Ch'ang Li.

ELLA E. GLOVER,

EDNA G. TERRY, M. D.

Shan Tung.

ANNA E. STEERE,

RACHEL R. BENN, M. D.

PEKING. Mrs. Jewell has been the sole representative of our W. F. M. S. in this city the past year. She writes: "Reconstruction has been a very prominent feature of the work. The Home and Boarding School are nearing completion. We expect to open school in the new buildings Oct. 15th. The building is all nicely done, thanks to good Dr. Hopkins and the very best native contractor that I have ever had the good fortune to know. I am grateful every day for the good Providence that gave us Dr. Hopkins to direct this building. He is one of the rare men who can do almost anything and do it well. He undertook our buildings when he had a mammoth amount of other work on hand, but notwithstanding, nothing in any detail has escaped his careful direction and oversight. The W. F. M. S. owes him a deep debt of gratitude."

A class of women has been under Mrs. Jewell's instruction since last December. Two of these will probably be able to do Bible-women's work the coming year, and one or two more in another year. There seems to be a great improvement in the appearance of the women of the Sunday congregation over that of former years. They are tidy looking women and children who set an example of good behavior before the heathen women, whom they often bring or who come of their own accord. There have been two day schools in Peking the past year, in one of which there has been a regular attendance and the children have done good work. A half dozen of them are ready to enter the Boarding School. A woman's prayer meeting is held every Saturday afternoon and the Peking Auxiliary of the W. F. M. S., affiliated

with New England Branch, meets once a month. That its members are alive and interested may be inferred from their generous contributions, one giving one-sixth of her earnings and another five cents a month. The woman's medical work has been carried on under several disadvantages this year. Indeed, this work and the evangelistic work which accompanies it, would have lapsed altogether had not Mrs. Headland generously come to the rescue. She reports that our temporary dispensary is situated in a very objectionable quarter, making it very uncomfortable for both patients and assistants. The rooms in use are cramped and inconvenient, and if the number of patients were large it would be impossible to accommodate them. Mrs. Chou, the widow of the martyred pastor, Chou Hsüehshen, has been Mrs. Headland's dispensary assistant, and gives promise of becoming a valuable helper.

Mrs. Headland closes her report as follows: "I cannot close without grateful acknowledgements to Mrs. Conger for the gracious way in which she has received and entered into social life with many of our lady patients, who, knowing that she was a favorite of the Empress Dowager, were anxious to meet and become acquainted with her. She has shown herself in every instance a genuine christian and I feel like saying a real missionary."

Mrs. Phoebe Li is the dispensary evangelist, who has proved a most valuable adjunct to the medical work, being present every day while the patients are waiting their turns talking to or becoming acquainted with them, and is often found in the homes of the sick of the neighborhood, lightening their burdens, not only with her hand but with her cheerful, helpful spirit as well.

Miss Young reports for the combined schools Peking, Tientsin, and Tsun Hua, still held in Tientsin, as follows: "The past year has not been marked by any stirring events, but for the peace and quiet that have reigned we thank our Heavenly Father. We had hoped to be able to move to Peking this year, but as the buildings were not completed, we were obliged to stay in the crowded quarters in Tientsin. We have been crowded to our utmost capacity, the total enrollment being 157. Three of the girls who graduated last year have done excellent work as teachers. The two elderly men who assisted last year have also been with us, one giving his time to teaching the Chinese classics and the character, and the other giving more valuable service in teaching general history, church history and composition. Two of our number have left the school for the home above. Christmas was an especially happy time. The boxes sent by loving friends at home furnished gifts for all. Miss Croucher carried on the industrial work

and Dr. Martin has had her school clinic each day. Although there have been no special revival services this year, the girls have not been going backward in their christian lives. Eight have been baptized, four taken in on probation, and two others have joined in full."

Miss Croucher returned in May last and has since married.

Mrs. Jewell writes: "I feel that during the past two and a half years the school girls, in common with many of the other native christians, have been passing through deep waters. When the storm of persecution was raging and death was imminent their faith was unconquerable. During my two weeks stay with the girls, I listened to their testimonies, and I felt that there had been times when they knew something of Elijah's juniper tree experience. Then as I listened to their prayers and renewed consecration I knew that God was dealing with them as He did with Elijah—very compassionately, strengthening them with food from His own storehouse."

TIENTSIN. In West City Miss Lizzie Martin has been doing evangelistic work. She found twelve or fifteen women who were already church members and who have been faithful in attendance upon the services all winter. As the chapel was destroyed in the Boxer uprising, the services are conducted in a dwelling house, which serves also as city dispensary. Dr. Emma Martin attends to the medical work in this city and reports that there has been much to be thankful for and to encourage in the year's record. The number of in-patients in the French concession has been less than last year, showing that our location here is growing less desirable to the Chinese, but the work at the West Gate among the heathen is much more than it was last year.

A good many patients this year have come from a distance, which is quite encouraging, for since the late trouble few have dared to venture so far away.

TSUN HUA. At the last conference Dr. Terry and Miss Glover were appointed to this field of work, but later in the year it was decided not to rebuild at Tsun Hua. Accordingly, these two workers have made evangelistic tours throughout the Districts of Tsun Hua, Lan Chou and Shan Hai Kuan. In some places the heathen were still afraid of the foreigners, while in others crowds followed from house to house listening when their curiosity was satisfied.

Last February Miss Glover went to An Ko Chuang to hold a station class. Fourteen women and six girls have done more or less studying, and the eight women and five girls who stayed to the close of the three months have done good work. Two girls and one woman unbound their feet and others are planning to follow their example.

In January last a day school was opened at Pai Tao Tzu, one of the Peking school girls being put in as teacher. Fourteen girls have registered and eleven has been the usual attendance.

Dr. Terry gives an interesting account of her trip through these Districts, and writes: "The spiritual results of our itinerary work may be as hard to tabulate as the medical, yet I am more and more convinced that going from place to place is the way to reach both the bodies and the souls of the great mass of the people. Many would never hear the Gospel but for the opportunity thus offered. I must speak of the faithful work done by one Bible-woman. Much of the talking to the heathen must be done by her, as the doctor's busy time comes when the medicine box is opened. As an encouragement to ourselves and an example to others, I want specially to mention the collection given to our W. F. M. S. by the women alone on the Lan Chou District. Their collection of thirteen Mexican dollars, about five and a half dollars gold, was handed to me with pardonable pride by the native presiding elder, showing that he as well as the preachers under him appreciated the work of the W. F. M. S.

The number of villages and towns visited during the year is 67, and the number of prescriptions given 1880."

Bishop Moore writes: "After careful consideration, covering all features of the situation, it has been decided to maintain a strong native station at Tsun Hua and build the hospitals, schools, etc., at Ch'ang Li, on the railroad between Lan Chou and Shan Hai Kuan." The building is already begun and it is hoped that ere long Dr. Terry and Miss Glover will be located in this place to which they are appointed.

SHANTUNG. Miss Steere returned to this place last fall to find that many Society and personal belongings had disappeared, so that it took some time to make the Chinese buildings habitable. The Boarding School was opened in December. During the year the girls have done excellent work, their studies covering the course from primary to high school. The accommodations have been poor, fourteen sleeping in one room and that not a large one. More property has been secured, so there will be better accommodations another year. Two small day schools have been started, but being new have nothing special to report.

Dr. Benn, in charge of the medical work here, says: "The future holds large promise for our work in Shantung. When the W. F. M. S. gets the land necessary for the various buildings, and the buildings on the land and the pupils and patients in these buildings, and a foreign house for us to live in, with the north windows and veranda giving us

the beauties of old T'ai Shan, she will have great reason to be proud and rejoice over her Shantung station."

She further pays a beautiful tribute to Mrs. Wang: "Both in the daily work at the dispensary and on the country trip we took together, and in the daily prayers, she has been a real inspiration to me. To see her wrinkled old face light up as she talks of Heaven is almost to catch a glimpse of the pearly gates," and she closes by saying, "A gentle woman! A mother in Israel! Would that she might live another eighty years!"

MARY E. HOLT, *Official Correspondent.*

CENTRAL CHINA

Woman's Work Organized in Kiu Kiang 1874, in Chin Kiang 1884, in Nanking 1887, in Wuhu 1897, in Nanchang 1903.

MISSIONARIES

Chin Kiang.

LUCY A. HOAG, M. D.
MARY C. ROBINSON,

LAURA M. WHITE,
GERTRUDE TAFT, M. D.

GRACE CROOKS,

Kiu Kiang.

GERTRUDE HOWE,
CLARA E. MERRILL,

MARY STONE, M. D.
CARRIE DREIBELBIES,

THIRZA M. PIERCE,
ANNA STONE.

Nanking.

ELLA C. SHAW,

SARAH PETERS,
*MRS. A. C. DAVIS.

MARY L. ROWLEY,

Wuhu.

EMMA MITCHELL.

LA DONA DEAVETT.

Nan Chang.

KATE L. OGBORN,

IDA KAHN, M. D.

BERTHA M. BEARD.

*Home on leave.

Within the bounds of the immense territory of this mission there is not a city, town, or hamlet where we could not have entered and freely preached the Gospel, if we had had workers to do so. Not one adult in ten thousand has had a fair opportunity to know intelligently the truth of the Gospel, and not one child in ten thousand has had the opportunity of securing a christian education.

From Chin Kiang the request for a teacher for the Girls' School is urgent. The women of Chin Kiang District are accessible and willing to hear the Gospel, whether in a place of worship or their own homes. The doctors give the Gospel to their patients. But their time is limited,

and the evangelistic work connected with the healing art is of first importance. Someone is needed to go out with the native helpers, as on account of Chinese customs, they cannot go alone. This makes the request for two new missionaries for Chin Kiang most urgent.

Nanking School has greatly outgrown its accommodations. It has a good reputation and is attracting pupils from the higher classes, and to meet the needs we must enlarge our buildings at once. If we do not buy the land this year we are in danger of losing our opportunity and so crippling our work. Bishop Moore has approved of the purchase of land and the plan of buildings. Two additional missionaries are asked for. If possible they should be sent at once. The evangelistic work both in city and country constantly increases, but it cannot be carried on with our present staff of workers.

The Philander Smith Memorial Hospital helps a multitude of suffering human beings each year.

Girls' Boarding and Training Schools. These speak for themselves. When asked for her annual report Miss White presented "her jewels." These "jewels," with well-trained voices, charmed the conference with their song of praise to Him who had redeemed them from all their sins. When this song was ended a native brother exclaimed, "Marvelous, marvelous!"

WUHU. A home for our workers is imperative. Rent is high and unprofitable. The rent for one year is three-fifths the interest on the sum required for land and building, a continued drain on the treasury with nothing to show for it. Two women so long asked for ought to be sent to Wuhu this fall. It is the center of a rich, fertile and populous district and fully open to evangelistic work.

KIU KIANG. The work cries loudly for enlargement. Seventy pupils are crowded into a building intended for fifty. Two new missionaries are asked for Kiu Kiang District.

NAN CHANG. It has been impossible to make the \$7,000 provided for this work pay for the land and buildings authorized by the Society. The contractor, however, agreed to finish the buildings and wait until the additional \$600 could be raised, charging no interest. Two new missionaries are greatly needed here for evangelistic work. Dr. Ida Kahn says her Chinese friends have raised \$700 for the renting of a dispensary in the heart of the city of Nan Chang, and she is now endeavoring to purchase a suitable site for the proposed hospital.

The W. F. M. S. Home in Nan Chang has had no money provided for furniture. The bare house explains the need of the \$200 asked for this purpose. The twenty-five scholarships asked for are not more

than half the number that will probably be in school, but it is expected that the others will be self-supporting. Unless these are granted, almost without exception, the girls of the church, in whom is our hope of helpers for the future, will be crowded out, and the school made one of single-handed work against heathenism, because of the lack of co-operation in the homes from which the pupils come. We are exceedingly glad to be able to establish a work in a place where about fifty per cent of the pupils will be self-supporting, and where every pupil will be expected to pay something from the first. But we must not value self-support beyond the training of girls in christian families, thus overlooking the time-honored custom of our church at home of giving special help to those who give promise of service to the church in future years. It grieves us to know that the Kingdom of God is held back from coming to these vast and populous regions, ready as they have never been before to receive it, for the lack of money—a sum so small that in many another enterprise a multiple of the amount could be raised with enthusiastic ease.

Eight new missionaries are asked for in Central China, buildings for hospitals, dispensary, school, and home for missionaries. The results of our work in that vast territory, the wide open doors, are surely the call of the Spirit to the church at home. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent.*

WEST CHINA

Woman's Work Commenced 1882.

Discontinued 1885, Re-opened 1894.

MISSIONARIES

Chung King.

HELEN GALLOWAY,
DOROTHY JONES,

H. MIRIAM DECKER,
AGNES EDMUNDS, M. D.

ELLA MANNING,

Chentu.

CLARA COLLIER.

CHUNG KING. Our work in West China has been somewhat embarrassed during the year by the serious illness of Miss Decker, which lasted through the first half of the year. Miss Galloway gave as much time to the care of the school as it was possible to spare from her duties as superintendent of the hospital, but the crippled condition of the

working force rendered the fulfillment of our anticipations in regard to the success of the school an impossibility.

At the present time there are thirty-five girls in the school. The attendance could have been largely increased if it had been thought advisable to burden a single missionary with the additional care and work which their presence would necessarily involve.

The course of study has been rearranged, so as to cover a period of eight years instead of ten as heretofore. The Bible course has been planned so as to give the students some knowledge of the entire book; only selected portions having previously been made the subject of instruction. The curriculum has also been so enlarged as to include history and natural science. Miss Decker writes hopefully, almost enthusiastically, as to this work. She says: "It is gratifying to see with what interest the students take up the new studies which have been provided for. These are not only enjoyed, but they seem to have especially developed the reasoning powers of the girls. The progress that they have made in the matter of thinking things out for themselves is notable and encouraging. They are far from being satisfied with memorizing the text books, and are constantly reaching out into the nature of correlated facts, and what in a more pretentious institution would be called original research."

The William Gamble Memorial Hospital was not opened until May 19, 1903, with Miss Galloway as superintendent. She reports that many things seemed to conspire to cause delays. "Orders for supplies and equipment need to be sent to America to be filled. Not a single article of hospital furniture could be procured at the station. One realizes, too, how far these people are from the ordinary routes of travel, from the fact that it requires a full year to receive the goods which are ordered from the homeland. If we attempt to secure here the manufacture of any special article, it is first necessary to send a man across the river to buy a pine log and to call a carpenter and explain to him in the greatest detail, not only what it is that we want manufactured, but also just how it is to be made. After all this is done it requires an immense amount of argument and effort to secure an agreement on his part to do the work at a reasonable price. If the article in question needs to be painted, a similar proceeding is necessary in regard to the painter, so that the completed article not only represents a certain cost for material and labor, but also an indefinite expenditure of persuasion, patience and self-control.

For the simplest splint which is used in reducing a fracture, or the construction of an operating table, we must depend on carpenters who

have not the slightest knowledge of a hospital's needs, and it follows as a necessary sequence that to succeed in securing the proper manufacture of any article, constant oversight and supervision on the part of the superintendent is absolutely essential. In order to meet the demands of the situation a missionary to West China needs to be far more than an intelligent christian; she must also be an architect, a master builder, an artisan of various accomplishments and a skillful manager of workmen. Missionaries having these qualifications are in demand for the West China work.

The task of operating a hospital without any trained assistants is not an easy one. The mission is comparatively new, and there are few trained women of any sort from whom our helpers can be selected, and as a matter of course, there are no women who have had the slightest experience as medical assistants. It is difficult to find women with unbound feet who have sufficient education or experience to qualify them even for elementary nursing. It must constantly be borne in mind that all of these people are only 'first generation christians,' and that our material for any service is very, very crude. The occupation of nursing is not attractive to these natives. They seem to regard it as a menial employment, and have yet to learn that the appointment to minister to those who are afflicted is a call to a blessed privilege."

During the first two months of her service, Dr. Edmunds treated twelve hundred patients. Poor, old, decrepit women who, taken in the aggregate, seemed to present every possible form of physical suffering, came to her for relief. To all of these, of course, she ministered. Some of her most pitiful experiences have been with little children. One of her first cases was a little slave girl who was suffering from tubercular abscesses. Her owners, considering her only a burden and hence a nuisance, had thrown her out into the street to beg or to starve, and when she presented herself at the hospital she had been without food for two days, and had been sleeping in the streets. Under Dr. Edmunds care her condition has been very greatly improved and the Doctor writes: "As I was making my rounds this morning and heard her cheerful voice and merry laugh, and looked into the face once so pinched and worn, now replaced by such a healthy, happy look, I gratefully realized that here is the evidence that our labors for her have not been in vain. She is a sweet child, loved by all who know her. How we shall provide for her when she is fully recovered I cannot tell, but we cannot think of sending her back to those people who cast her out when she most needed their protection and care."

Another child only fifteen years old came to the hospital with one hand enormously swollen and discolored. The teeth marks, which were plainly visible, gave a clue to the origin of her suffering, and upon being questioned, she admitted that her husband in a fit of anger had bitten her. In another instance, a woman with her nose half gone said that "the outside of her house," meaning her husband, "had bitten it off."

Many of the outside patients have been of the better class, and Dr. Edmunds hopes through them to gain access to the wealthier homes, which hitherto have been persistently closed against the entrance of the Gospel. She says: "In the homes of luxury we do not find the poverty and distress which exist among the poorer classes, but we do find misery in another and even more hopeless form. Many of the inmates are slaves both to wine and to opium. Men and women alike are the victims. They have neither the desire nor the will power to escape from their thralldom. Divine power alone can save them, or even create in them the slightest desire for salvation."

The statistical report from May 19 to June 30, 1903, the only report which has been received, is as follows:

Hospital patients	35
Outside patients	186
Dispensary patients from March 1 to June 30. .	2,475

The new bungalow, which is built on the opposite side of the river, away from the heat, the noisome smells and the confusion of the city, has been a boon to all the missionaries in Chung King. Mrs. Myers' report of a trip to a quarterly meeting in a district that five years ago was practically closed to foreigners and to the preaching of the Gospel, is most interesting:

"In 1898 an attempt to establish work there was paid for with the life of one of our bright young medical students, but God has used the sad event to bring the truth home to the hearts of many good men and women in that place, and the work there is growing and expanding beyond what man dared to hope. Traveling by boat we were met by several of the leaders and stewards of the church there, waiting our arrival. Among them, and the most cordial to receive us, was a fine looking, middle aged man, with a strong character marking his features. He was one of the three literary men who instigated the murder of young Tang when they thought the persecution of the christians was their duty to their own religion. This man is now a class leader in our church and willing to suffer the persecutions which come to the name of the christian for the sake of his living Saviour. About ten o'clock on

Saturday morning the women began to come. The Bible-woman, the preacher's wife and myself took turns talking, telling them the simple truths concerning our Saviour. The attention was good, though the ignorance of their minds and the newness of the story prevented them taking in much the first time. However, the meetings were continued all day long for three days and some of them came over and over again. We believe some seeds of the truth were planted in their hearts. The last day one nice looking old lady came with a few hundred cash. She said she liked the new faith, but had heard them say it cost money to belong, so she had brought some money and wished to have her name taken. We told her the Gospel was as free as the air she breathed, and that money could not buy Christ's love, and sent her away with her cash to learn a little more, though we felt assured that if the faith appealed to her purse and she was yet willing to accept it, that there must be some hope of her."

Miss Dorothy Jones, from the Deaconess Home in Milwaukee, was appointed to Chung King, and in September last commenced her long journey to this distant station. But how inadequate to the demand for helpers is one missionary, when the work calls for perhaps a dozen. With our limited resources, it is always impossible to realize ideal conditions, either as regards the number of our missionaries or the equipment which we can provide for them. At the very least we ought to send two more missionaries to Chung King to care for work there which ought not longer to be neglected.

Perhaps some of us remember the encouraging report which one year ago Miss Galloway made of her personal work among the native women; a work that promised most gratifying results and which, on every account, it was desirable it should be extended. The subsequent marriage of Miss Williams rendered it necessary to supply a new superintendent for the hospital. Miss Galloway was the only available person for the work, but by this transfer her evangelistic work was unprovided for, except as some consecrated women under the charge of the General Board have been able to give it some attention.

Miss Manning is already the housekeeper of the Deaconess' Home, the treasurer of the mission, and superintendent of the Woman's School and of the day schools. A year hence she ought to come home for a vacation, but we have no one in the station who is being prepared to assume her duties, and unless we arrange soon to send another missionary to the assistance of Miss Jones she will be left at the end of another year to assume the entire care of the boarding school.

Although this is a new mission, it would be a very vigorous and prosperous one if it could be reasonably supported and encouraged through that period which is necessary to prepare native workers for such duties as they can be trained to perform. One of the missionaries has stated the situation with great force and accuracy :

“Workers whose lives would be invaluable to the church and to the missions are going home, having become practically physical wrecks by the attempt to carry more work than it was possible to do with safety. Money is being wasted and the grade of work lowered by the policy which seeks to supply the places of experienced workers with untrained missionaries. The new workers are not sent until the missionary in charge must go home, therefore the work must stand still until the new arrival has acquired a sufficient knowledge of the language to say to the pupils, ‘go on and study what the last teacher taught you until I have learned a little more of the language,’ or some other worker, more experienced, more familiar with the language, but with equally heavy responsibilities can come to assist the new teacher, who is doing the best that she can, but whose limitations render her work inadequate.”

This statement is in no particular overdrawn. The situation is not less serious than is here represented. Some persons will say “but this condition exists in all our mission fields.” That, however, would not be quite true. It is true that everywhere and always workers are too few, but there are in the older missions a larger number of native Bible-women and teachers, who have been years in training, and on whom some of the many duties connected with the missionaries’ administration may be imposed.

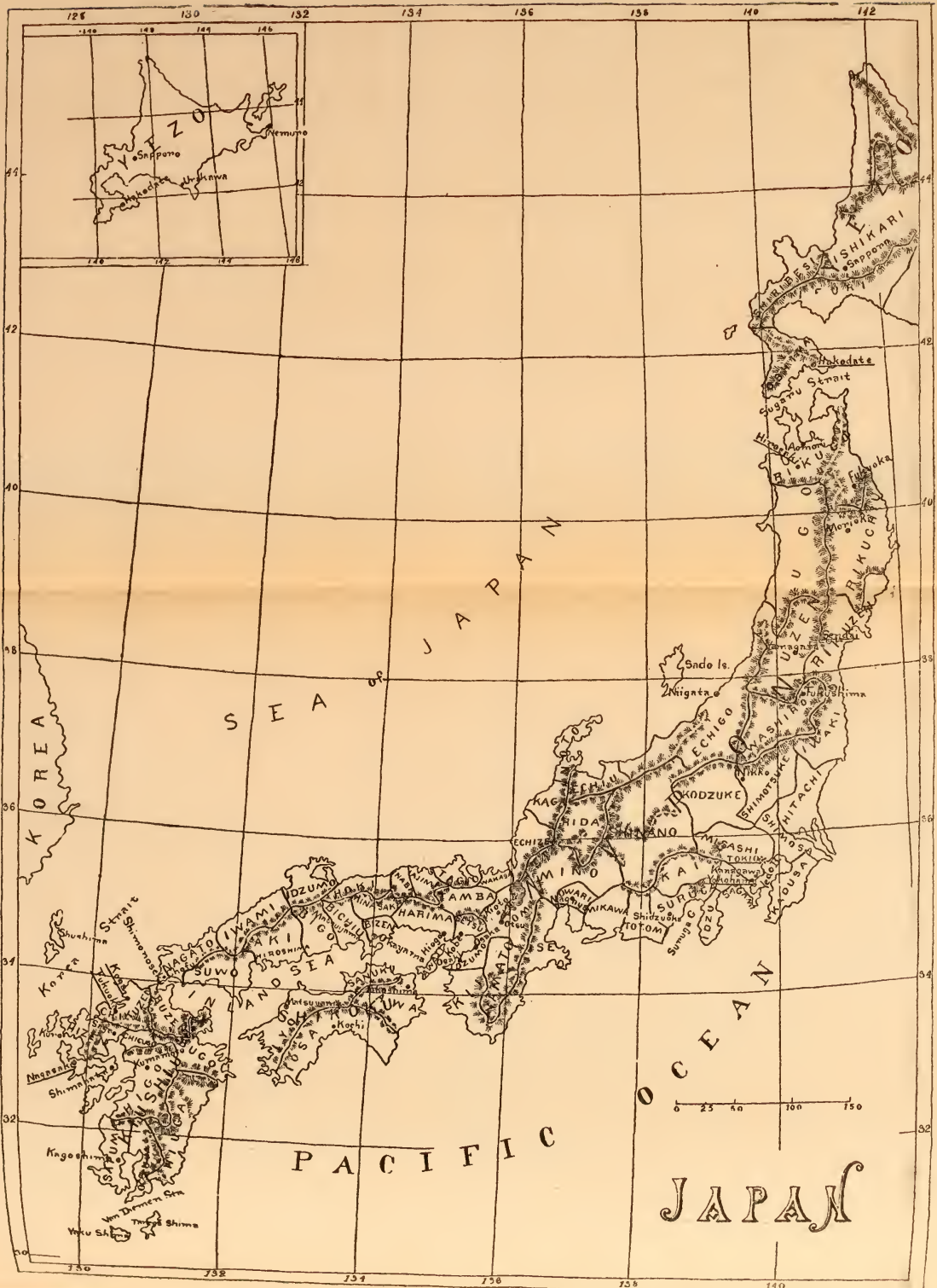
CHENTU. For six years Miss Collier has striven all alone to care for the interests connected with our station at Chentu. With a splendid courage, a patience that has known no wearying and a fidelity that has never faltered, single-handed and alone, this brave woman has rendered signal service to our cause. Is it not possible that we have been in some measure remiss in not giving attention to her pleas? It seems small wonder that she writes :

“I know that Chentu is a long distance from home and friends, and perhaps some other mission fields are in themselves more attractive. But it seems as though there might be someone somewhere who is willing to come to this work. I think it is impossible for any one who has not tried it to realize what it means to live among a heathen people year after year, and be obliged to meet, single-handed, all the multitudinous difficulties with which we have to contend, without com-

panionship, sympathy or helpful support. If it is at all practicable, please send some one to Chentu. In the meantime I realize that this is the Lord's work, and that hitherto He has wonderfully sustained and blessed me."

It may seriously be doubted whether under any circumstances, in a station so isolated and remote, a missionary should be left alone to deal with a situation which must be fraught with difficulties and discouragements. Miss Collier certainly deserves our sympathy. She is entitled to assistance, if by any means that assistance can be afforded. One of our missionaries writing concerning her, says: "A complete physical breakdown in her case is greatly to be feared, unless relief can be sent to her soon." That no report of her work has been received is a cause for regret, but it is certain that the failure to receive a report from her implies neither negligence nor indifference on her part. We must do whatever is possible for the Chentu Mission, and in the meantime we may rejoice that as the result of such service as hers there is today all over China a manifest turning away from the foolishness and childishness of idol worship, a groping after something more reasonable, a cutting loose from the ancient moorings of Confucianism, Buddhism and Taoism, to which they have been chained so long, and also suggest that unless the home churches are awake to their opportunity, and quickly, cautiously and with a strong hand throw out the "life line" to these drifting ones, they will fall back into a state of unbelief worse than idolatry.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*



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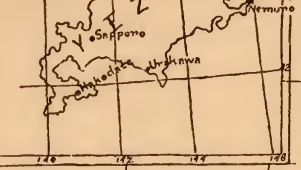
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JAPAN

Woman's Work Commenced 1874, Organized as a Conference 1884.

CENTRAL JAPAN

MISSIONARIES

Tokyo.

M. A. SPENCER,
H. S. ALLING,
ELLA BLACKSTOCK,
E. M. SOPER,

Yokohama.

MRS. C. VAN PETTEN,
ANNA B. SLATE,
GEORGIA WEAVER,
GEORGIANA BAUCUS.

Nagoya.

A. P. ATKINSON,

R. J. WATSON,

ELLA HOLBROOK,

Sendai.

F. E. PHELPS,

C. A. HEATON.

Home on Leave.

E. R. BENDER,
N. M. DANIEL,

AMY G. LEWIS,
ANNA V. BING.

In central Japan seventeen missionaries are enrolled, four of whom are home on health leave. Twenty-five Bible-women are employed, who reach between thirty and forty different stations. Three girls' boarding schools, one Bible-woman's training school, one industrial school and seven day schools are in operation, employing eighty-five native teachers, both male and female, many of the latter being graduates from our own institutions. These schools have an attendance of 1,311 pupils.

TOKYO. The oldest work is Aoyama Jo Gakuin, and it is being arranged so as to complete a course of high school, if not collegiate, instruction, to which all other girls' schools in the Conference shall send their pupils for whom a higher education is designed. Fourteen of the girls in this school have been received as probationers during the year, while others are waiting for the consent of their parents to identify themselves with the Church. It became very evident that Japanese girls were suffering in health and physical strength for lack of outdoor exercise, and much more attention has been given to this department of physical culture the past year. A new playground has been leased, and there was a day of public field sports given on the anniversary of the founding of the school, which attracted much attention.

The Harrison Industrial School was organized to open to Japanese women new fields for self-support, and it has been most successful in accomplishing its aim and in establishing among its pupils the spirit of

a pure, unselfish christianity. In Sendai they combine industrial work with intellectual and christian training. The building long desired for its accommodation is now under way.

NAGOYA. Six of the teachers in the school at Nagoya are graduates of Aoyama, who have proved themselves well trained and have done faithful work. All the pupils are from heathen families, but, being brought into direct contact with christianity, the influence is carried into their homes; six have become professing Christians during the year, which has been marked by triumph in the midst of difficulties and a general advance in the prosperity of all departments. Constantly in our mission school is verified the promise: "When a man's ways please the Lord he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him."

The Training School for Bible Women at Yokohama has had a prosperous season, with the largest class to enter on the first year's studies that it has yet known. Each year the graduates are appointed to certain fields of labor, where they are visiting, teaching, helping the native pastors in their care of the congregations, strengthening the weak, instructing the ignorant, visiting families, diffusing christian doctrine and exemplifying christian life in their own daily walks and labors.

The day schools are situated in different localities in the large cities, two in Tokyo and five in Yokohama. These schools have a direct evangelistic effect in their neighborhood, and are often placed in the most depraved parts of the city. Visiting evangelists have found near them a people very ready to hear and receive the Gospel; many of the children are converted, and the native teachers are nearly, if not all christians. In Yokohama is a kindergarten, for which a friend gave the money for a new building with a play ground. This makes the third new building finished in the past year for the day schools of this city, and extensive repairs have been necessary in other sites. Schools for the blind are established in some of the cities of the missions, these are largely the result of Mrs. Draper's practical sympathy; she has gone to her reward, but the benevolences she initiated have grown and multiplied, so that numbers of this helpless and hitherto neglected class have been helped to the means of earning a comfortable livelihood, and have learned the blessedness of christian faith.

Mother's meetings are held in Tokyo and in Yokohama by Miss Chappel and Mrs. Draper. Some of these are attended by women of the official classes, as well as of the laboring people; practical subjects are presented and the christian ideal is kept before all.

At a missionary conference it was lamented that there were so few Spirit-filled evangelists, and such a small number of the bright christian young men in Japan seemed willing to enter the ministry. One modest man suggested that it was because the home life of the people was not sufficiently permeated with the spirit of the Gospel. In every land the prayers and teachings of mothers form the ideals of sons; not only in Japan, but in America, professing christian women need to have this truth written in their hearts.

The report of the Literary Department, under Miss Baucus and Miss Dickinson, which has its center in Yokohama, was given by the Literature Committee.

Three new missionaries have been sent to this field during the year, Miss Weaver and Miss Soper to Aoyama and Miss Slate to Yokohama. These new missionaries, though well prepared, energetic and devoted, cannot be expected to fill the positions of the three experienced ones who have been forced to return home on health leave. It would be ideal if our Methodist Episcopal Mission could do as one English society has done and send all who are willing to go to some one central locality, where each would acquire the language, become familiar with the native customs and be ready to fill each vacancy that occurs, so that the progress of the work need not be hindered. As the field enlarges more and more workers are needed.

The time allotted for the reading of these reports will not permit the giving of the interesting incidents related in the Japanese Annual Report, which makes each department so full of life. This report should be read by every one interested in our Woman's Missionary work.

MRS. S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

NORTHERN JAPAN

*Woman's Work Commenced in Hakodate 1870,
in Hirosaki 1877, in Sapporo 1900.*

MISSIONARIES

Hakodate.

AUGUSTA DICKERSON,

MARY S. HAMPTON,

FLORENCE E. SINGER,

Hirosaki.

*ELLA J. HEWETT,

ADA SOUTHARD,

MARY B. GRIFFITHS,

Sapporo.

*LOUISA IMHOF,

BESSIE ALEXANDER,

*Home on leave.

HAKODATE. The past year was marked by the return of Miss Dickerson, accompanied by Miss Carnahan, of Pittsburg, who might be termed a round-the-world mission visitor. Their arrival a few days before Christmas afforded occasion for a series of delightful greetings, combined with holiday festivities, which were crowned with a baptismal service on the following Sunday, when seven girls took upon themselves the vows of the church. Miss Carnahan, remaining through the winter, proved a most helpful companion and adviser in all the work of the school and the church.

The number of pupils in the Caroline Wright Memorial School, known there as the "School of Memorial Love," was the largest ever enrolled, being 233, including the kindergarten.

Over three-fifths of these were day scholars, "for which," Miss Dickerson says, "we are glad, for it means the entrance of the Jesus Doctrine into many more homes and many more people interested in the greatest cause in the world."

Eight young women, all Christians, were graduated, and have since taken places as assistant teachers in Hirosaki or Hakodate.

Miss Ella Hewett, who had assisted in the Hakodate work during Miss Dickerson's absence, herself returned on home furlough a little later. She speaks especially of her delight in the Bible studies of the school, and of the impressions these made upon the hearts of the girls, as witnessed in their daily lives. The Epworth League Sunday afternoon prayer meetings and the daily Bible classes for the younger girls have been under the care of their Japanese teachers, who have shown great efficiency and loving interest in their work.

Miss Singer reports encouraging progress in her department of music. She says: "Of the important place music occupies in the evaa-

gelization of the world I need not write, except that year by year we catch enlarged visions of its importance." Miss Singer has charge also of the little school for the blind, where the pupils have made their own hymn books and are now at work on the Bibles.

This eminently successful school has finally reached a point where new and larger plans are required. Miss Dickerson writes: "It was originally built for about twenty girls. It has been added to and subtracted from, and changed and repaired as its numbers have multiplied, until a long rambling building without unity of design stretches from one end of the compound to the other, leaving but small space for the necessary play ground. There are kindergarten, primary, intermediate and high school grades, all in a connected building. The lack of beauty and harmony in architecture did not trouble the workers until the ravages of the damp climate made floors shaky, stairways tremble, and chimneys lean dangerously out of plumb. But even these disadvantages, added to dark and inconvenient classrooms, have been patiently endured and the school has flourished in spite of them. And they could be borne longer, perhaps, were it not for the fact that even such buildings as they are, are overcrowded, and the very girls for whom the work is planned must be turned away for lack of room."

In view of these conditions it has been determined to purchase property in a newer part of the city and to erect buildings there for the home and the boarding and higher departments of the school.

Philadelphia Branch will appropriate their thank offering to this purpose.

The evangelistic work under Miss Hampton has gone forward without special incident. Five street Sunday schools are carried on by the older girls under her supervision. These, located in different parts of the city, attract many besides children, who thus hear the life-giving word.

HIROSAKI. Many changes have taken place in the Girls' School by removal of several teachers, among them the Japanese principal, under whom for a number of years excellent progress has been made in spiritual as well as temporal things. There is no evidence, however, of retrogression in the efficiency of the work done. A Japanese lady principal, a graduate from our Aoyama school and a successful teacher, has been secured, who is winning the esteem of all as a competent person for her responsible position. Since the arrival of Mrs. Alexander Miss Southard has transferred to her the superintendence of the school and is once again giving her time to the kindergarten.

The new home, so long greatly needed, will soon be under process of construction. This is to be the gift of the young women of a conference of the Northwestern Branch.

The district evangelistic work, under the efficient care of Miss Griffiths, is full of interest. In writing of the Bible-women of one section Miss Griffiths says: "By the grace of God they have worked on patiently and effectively day by day teaching the children, guiding inquirers and instructing believers. Often they are placed in positions requiring tact, patience and wisdom, but even the youngest of them—and she is but twenty years of age—has won and held the respect and confidence of old and young. How often during the past years have the words given to Moses been echoed in my own heart: 'Charge Joshua and encourage him, and strengthen him, for he shall go over before this people and he shall cause them to inherit the land.'

It is no mean part of missionary work thus to seek and encourage, by every means in our power, our Japanese co-workers. Through the quiet, but steady and effective work of our Bible-women, supplementing the labors of the pastors, many souls are being led to Christ and then further instructed in the faith. One of them told me of a Christian man who attributes his conversion to the lecture of a Buddhist priest. The lecture was one round of abuse of Christianity, and as the man listened he decided he would go and find out for himself what it was that was so dreadful in the Jesus doctrine. He went, not once but many times, and ere long became a follower of Jesus."

SAPPORO. Miss Imhof reports a busy year in her city evangelistic work, which includes Bible classes, sewing classes, women's meetings, Sunday schools, work in the linen factory and calling in the homes of the people, to which comprehensive list she adds "etc., etc.," possibly lest we might conclude her time not fully occupied. The work in the factory has been rewarding, as evident in the great improvement in the general appearance of the girls in tidiness of person and brightened expression of face. A considerable number have manifested a desire to follow and obey Christ. Special encouragement has been received from the fact that hereafter every Sunday instead of three in the month is to be a holiday.

Miss Imhof is now once again at home on furlough, at the close of fourteen years of service, her place being supplied by Miss Alexander.

Mrs. C. W. Huett notes signs of progress in her district work. "The Yamahana Sunday school is carried on by three young girls who walk three miles every Sunday morning to the Sapporo Sunday school and then go back and gather up the sixty or more children of their

neighborhood in the afternoon and teach them what was taught themselves in the morning. All through our work we notice the spirit of helpfulness among the Christians. They are more ready to do what they can, and it is not so difficult to find Sunday school teachers and such helpers."

MRS. A. N. FISHER, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTHERN JAPAN

Woman's Work Commenced in 1879.

MISSIONARIES

Nagasaki.

ELIZABETH RUSSELL,
MARIANA YOUNG,
MABEL DAVISON,

LOLA M. KIDWELL,
*MARY E. MELTON,
HETTIE A. THOMAS.

Fukuoka.

LEONORA SEEDS,

MABEL K. SEEDS.

Kagoshima.

JENNIE M. GHEER,

*LIDA B. SMITH.

*Home on leave.

NAGASAKI. Twenty-five years ago our two brave pioneers, Misses Russell and Gheer, landed in Nagasaki. Neither home nor welcome, not even pupils awaited them, and to doubting hearts it would have been a trying time. But they were made of strong fiber and were there in obedience to the Master's command "Go ye," and so were neither discouraged nor afraid. No open door awaited them, nor was the General Missionary Society strongly entrenched there. The story of their faith, as well as their works, makes a chapter of missionary history that strengthens this faith and gives courage to the weak. From that day of small beginnings we trace the growth of women's work in South Japan Conference to an educational work reaching from kindergarten up to college grade, with day schools and evangelistic work, Sunday schools and Bible-women, medical work and every form of christian helpfulness, all of which has grown from that day of small beginnings twenty-five years ago, and, while changes in the force have been noted, our recruits have come and gone, these two representatives are still in the front line in labors most abundant, fit leaders for the advancing host of the army of conquest. In spite of the depleted force of workers, there is an advance on all

lines of work. The boarding school is full to overflowing, with applicants waiting a chance to enter the first opportunity that opens, and the city work, under Miss Melton's care, has grown in power and influence. This covers Sunday schools (fifty in number), Bible-women's work, women's meetings and every other way of telling the "story of peace" to these poor sin-burdened people.

The dispensary, under Dr. Suganama, continues its work of Gospel healing, and through this open door many are reached. The Sunday school taught there by girls from the Biblical department of Kwassui reaches many who could not be won in other ways. The addition of Misses Davison and Thomas to the working force will lighten the burden somewhat, but does not remove it entirely. Two more are needed, one for city and evangelistic work and one for kindergarten training. The evangelistic work in North Kiushiu is under Miss Leonora Seeds. She has eight Bible-women under her charge. There are nine Sunday schools, one woman's meeting and one Foreign Missionary Society. They have received the gospel into their hearts and so must wish to send it further. Through these Bible-women many have come into the church during the year. When a Sunday school is opened in a new place it is not long until it becomes a preaching appointment. Baptisms from the work of these Bible-women have become so frequent that they are expected naturally to follow the Bible teaching.

FUKUOKA. Miss Mabel Seeds, of Eiwa Jo Gakko, makes her first report, which is a very good one. There is a total enrollment of ninety, forty of whom are boarders. Many of the day pupils have become earnest inquirers during the year and some have already been baptized. Physical culture is a new feature in this school and is given by a Kwassui graduate. Lessons on the organ and vocal music are a welcome addition to the curriculum. Most grateful mention is made of much needed repairs in the building, as well as a new coat of paint inside and out. Miss Seeds writes that much of the year's success is due to the head teacher, a Kwassui graduate also.

SOUTH KIUSHIU. Evangelistic work is superintended by Miss Gheer. During the year she has been assisted by fourteen women in the different departments. Of these three are only employed part of the time and one only in the night school at Loo Choo, which is the mission of a mission. Cholera has interfered somewhat, yet in spite of all drawbacks, the work everywhere is most encouraging. The Bible-women report over 6,000 calls, and the number of those who have come to them is probably nearly as large. Three women are employed in Loo Choo. A night school for girls is supported there for women and

girls varying in numbers from fifteen to fifty. Formosa has been placed in this district. There are some members of our church on the Island and they are pleading for help, and so the blessed leaven spreads, for no matter where the hungry souls are found the Master's charge to his disciples, "Give ye them to eat," is just as imperative today as when given to His disciples in the days of His earthly ministry.

SUMMARY.

Missionaries	8
Missionaries on home leave	2
Bible-women	17
Bible-women, calls made.....	6,023
Boarding schools	3
Pupils	199
Sunday schools	26
Average attendance	682
One orphanage—inmates.....	20
Families visited	1,985

MRS. B. R. COWEN, *Official Correspondent.*

KOREA

Woman's Work Commenced 1885.

MISSIONARIES

Seoul.

*MRS M. F. SCRANTON,
 ELLA A. LEWIS,
 JOSEPHINE O. PAINF,
 EMMA ERNSBERGER, M. D.

LULA E. FREY,
 MARY M. CULTER, M. D.
 NELLIE PIERCE,
 MINERVA GUTHAPFEL.

Pyeng Yang.

MRS. ROSETTA SHERWOOD HALL, M. D.
 ETHEL M. ESTEY,

ESTHER KIM PAK, M. D.
 HENRIETTA P. ROBBINS

Chemulpo.

MARY R. HELLMAN,

LULA A. MILLER.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE.

MES. W. A. NOBLE,
 MRS. G. H. JONES,

MRS. E. D. FOLWELL,
 MRS. ROBERT A. SHARP.

*Home on leave.

PYENG YANG. The Koreans are hungry for the Gospel. A great opportunity is here presented to win a race to Christ. While every section is advancing, Pyeng Yang leads. There was nothing in

that city ten years ago; now there are two great missionary centers—ours and the Presbyterian—with hundreds of members. Missionaries can go thirty days through the country and preach to a Methodist congregation every night. Our new missionary home is altogether satisfactory. It has bedrooms and studies for four missionaries. The Woman's Hospital, remodeled under Dr. Cutler's supervision, will be admirable when completed.

The Girls' School Building is convenient and well adapted to its purpose, but it is desirable to purchase more ground near by as soon as possible for a boarding school, which will soon be a necessity.

CHEMULPO. It is of the utmost importance that our missionaries here have a home. A piece of ground adjoining Parent Board property is offered us at a reasonable price. Bishop Moore advises its immediate purchase and the home built at once, as he says it is putting the lives of our missionaries in jeopardy to require them to live in their present unsuitable dwelling.

SEOUL. The large influx of Japanese opens new opportunities for Gospel teaching and calls for more Gospel teachers. A new hospital building is an immediate necessity in Seoul.

For all our workers in Korea we have from Bishop Moore the highest praise. He says four others of equal excellence should be sent at once to reinforce this work, so grand in present results and rich in future promise.

All the schools in Korea have had their best year. Thus far the girls have shown increasing interest and their grades have never been better. A few steps in self-support have been taken and very many of the pupils this year have had their clothing furnished from their homes. The Christmas time was made very happy by the boxes sent from America.

To tell of medical work in the hospitals and dispensaries would claim all our time and space. There is much to be thankful for. Evangelistic work goes hand in hand with it, as also with our school work. No one seems ever to lose sight of the first duty of a missionary—to set forth Jesus before the people. At one of the recent baptismal services one of the number gave her experience. She said she had known that to steal or murder was sin, but as she had never done anything of that kind she did not know that she was a sinner till she read the Bible. Then she began to feel her sins growing heavier and heavier till she could bear the weight no longer. Her bright face, as well as words, told that she had found one who had lifted the burden and given her peace. Soon after this her father's birthday came and, according to

custom, she must help prepare the sacrificial food and take part in the ceremony. This she refused to do, suffering patiently the persecutions of her relatives, because she stood firm in her new-found faith. Her sister-in-law is a probationer and her mother has since become interested. In this way light spreads from heart to heart.

"Why do you not come to our village?" is the plea everywhere, and lack of workers, time and strength is the only answer that can be given. The story of the earnest faces of the women; the pathetic eagerness to read the Bible; the prayer for the Living Bread, stirs one's soul to its depths, and we wish as we pass over Korean scenes and read the letters of our missionaries from this and every other land that we had the millions of the world's wealth at command. But we remember that Jesus has and we humbly say, "Lord Jesus, help us to be willing and obedient. It is all we can do."

Mrs. H. B. SKIDMORE, *Official Correspondent.*

BULGARIA

Woman's Work Commenced 1884.

Constituted a Mission Conference 1892.

MISSIONARIES

Lovetch.

*KATE BLACKBURN,

DORA DAVIS.

*Home on leave.

Lovetch Girls' School. The academic year at our girls' school, which closed on June 24, 1903, was in many respects memorable. At the very beginning the institution had as many students as could possibly be accommodated. The aggregate enrollment numbered sixty-two and was about evenly divided between the boarding school and the day pupils. Failure in health compelled one of the girls to return to her home before the end of the first half year, and at a little later date one of the youngest pupils, a sweet little scholarship girl, who was also an earnest and devout little Christian, was taken to the Home with many mansions. Her companions felt her loss keenly and the influence of her quiet but devout life was persuasive and inspiring.

So far as its finances are concerned, the last has been the most successful year in the history of the institution. So large a number of the pupils paid the school fees that the local income showed a most gratifying advance. Little by little patrons of the school are learning its

value and are becoming more and more willing to pay in cash for the privileges that their daughters enjoy. The large number of boarding pupils who were self-supporting was not made an excuse for less care in the matter of domestic economies. The same watchful oversight of all departments, the same carefulness in preventing little wastes, the same foresight in providing what was necessary, and in planning for plenty without superfluity, all combined have rendered the management of the home department a marvel of efficiency. Miss Blackburn, through years of experience has grown to be a veritable adept in the multitudinous cares of domestic management.

While we have our congratulations in the success which has attended the administration, there is even more reason for congratulation in the growth and progress manifest in the life of the school throughout the year. This is not a reason for astonishment. Before the year began much prayer had been offered and special preparations had been made by the missionaries for the work which was before them, and it ought never to surprise God's children to receive substantial answers to prayers offered in faith and followed by earnest endeavor. From the beginning, the native teachers who are employed in the school have worked in hearty sympathy with us and much credit is due them for their earnest efforts. It speaks well for the work of the school that these teachers, whose training was all received within its classes, are proving themselves by their daily work to be so worthy its past benefaction and its present confidence.

As the church at Lovetch (the Bulgarian name is now used to the exclusion of the former Turkish one), aside from the school contingent, is small, the various lines of church work are so planned that the initiative is taken in the fall, when all the students have returned to Lovetch. The first weeks of school life are therefore busy ones, when not only in the school, but in the church across the way, plans and arrangements for the coming year are being made. September of 1902 was no exception to this rule, meetings following each other in such close succession that it seemed almost a wonder how the time was found for each and all.

Right bravely in the church the members took up the problem of finance and each subscribed so generously that the pledges more than equalled the apportionments. The local Woman's Foreign Missionary Society chose for its study for the year "Via Christi" and pursued it faithfully until the close. The book was apportioned chapter by chapter, but the work was necessarily made comparatively easy to follow, for we had few helps to study and not all of those who studied could

translate the work for themselves. A few in the auxiliary were unable to read, even in the Bulgarian tongue, for the membership of the church is not by any means confined to the membership of the school.

For the help of such persons and also to aid those who could not study in the English, volunteers offered themselves for preparatory study each month. The president conducted a monthly drill designed to supplement and fix in mind the study assigned to the month. Local work in the society was not neglected, nor can the influence of the faithful service among these Lovetch women be estimated. One dear little woman has been most keenly tried during this past summer, even to the extent of threats on the part of her husband to drive her from her home with their two little ones if she does not relinquish her faith, but she stands firm, resisting bribes, bad treatment and threats and still hopes to win her husband to a belief in God and the church. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society again undertook the raising of twenty dollars for the Bible work in Bulgaria, a real test both of faith and financial ability. Faith and prayer and work conquered, and the money was paid to the conference treasurer in February.

Words can but feebly express our appreciation of the valuable gifts made to the school by and through the efforts of our honored and beloved Bishop Vincent. To him we are indebted for a theograph that has been most helpful to us. A beautiful set of Cosmos pictures, which serve at once the double purpose of instruction and adornment, was also his gift, and lastly we have received from him a very superior magic lantern that will be of inestimable value in our work.

By work in the same line, but through a different channel, another twenty dollars has been raised for the support of an orphan in the famine district of India. This has been done by a missionary society having for its membership the girls of the sixth or graduating class in the school, together with those who have been its members and have passed out from the school. These girls, early in the year, resolved to undertake some special work and chose this as something so "tangible" that the really personal interest felt in it would help them to persevere in the work; for it meant work and much of it, as nearly every girl in the society had to contrive ways and means to earn the money that she wanted to give. Again, as in the former instances, persistent effort and patient gathering by littles, won the day. The girls have done what they could and in the doing of it they have been blessed.

Early in the year the Epworth League found that the state of its treasury warranted it in sending an order for the organ, for the purchase of which it had been gathering the littles for more than a year

past. The organ in question was to be a gift to the church, thus making it possible for the old one, which had been used there, to be placed in the lower room used by the League for its prayer meetings. As soon as the new cabinet could perfect its arrangements, the purchase was made, for every one wanted the new organ in its place before the opening of the annual conference last April. Much time and no small degree of patience are needed for such matters as these, but at the very last moment, as it were, the creaking buffalo cart brought the organ on the last stage of its long journey, and it was a very happy League that helped to welcome the Bishop and the conference when they gathered in Lovetch, happy in the consciousness of having done its part in the general work of preparation for the anticipated event.

The League did not confine its efforts, of course, to the purchase of that organ. Every department pushed its work, endeavoring to live in accordance with the motto, "lift up" while striving ever to "look up" towards the One who is our guide in every endeavor. The Saturday evening prayer meetings have been of great help and have been the means of leading into active service the younger people who are timid in the larger meetings.

Every Sunday afternoon some members of the League, accompanied by one or both of the missionaries, visited a neighboring village, destitute of any other religious service whatever, and held a little informal Sunday school for the children and for any others who wished to profit by the meeting. At first these were little outdoor gatherings under the trees, but as cold weather approached a village home was opened to the visitors and there in a little room not more than 12 by 15 feet in size, twenty people were often gathered to listen to the simple Gospel story, the word of prayer and the sacred songs. The one window, about six inches square, afforded little light, so the door was usually left open, even in midwinter, with the thermometer at the zero point. Blessed indeed was the satisfaction of these Leaguers as at last the childish voices of those peasant children joined them in singing in their own tongue, "Jesus loves me, this I know," and other like songs. All felt well repaid for the time and labor involved in these weekly visits. Thousands of tracts were distributed, numbers of Bibles, Testaments and other religious literature were either sold or given away, and the temperance work was pushed. A Bible study class was maintained and monthly literary meetings were held. Mercy and Help work received its share of attention, and in fact, it seemed that these young Leaguers had a hand in every good word and work. If any of our friends doubt the depth and earnestness of the work, a few instances may be cited to

prove the contrary. A young man from Lovetch attended our mission school for boys in Sistof some years ago. He was converted and in consequence was refused admittance to his home for the vacations. He found refuge in the home of a brother, worked his way through school, graduated and went into business for himself at Lovetch, his native town. For eight or ten years his father's door had been closed to him. Less than two years ago a change came. They had watched his life and were convinced he was worthy their confidence. His parents invited him to make his home with them and he accepted the invitation. As a result, his two sisters, now grown to womanhood, attend our church and Sunday school regularly, and his mother, a woman of unusual determination and of more than ordinary ability, has taken down the images or "Icons" that hold so prominent a place in every Greek Catholic home. She listens daily as her son or daughter reads to her from God's word, and the home has been thrown wide open to all the Methodist friends, pastor included. Thus the leaven is working in one home.

Yet another case from the town of Loftcha or Lovetch. A young employe from one of the largest dry goods stores in the town was converted, joined our Epworth League and later our church. His parents, superstitious in the extreme, bitterly opposed him in his new convictions. Night after night he was locked out of his home, sleeping on the rocks, yet never complaining, until finally his life was threatened by his own father and he thought it the part of wisdom to seek employment in another city for a time. By letters and material aid he patiently endeavored for two years in vain to win his parents at least to a reconciliation, then his persevering efforts were rewarded and another home is opened to our church. It is encouraging to note the development of true christian character in these young people.

This work is not done in a day, nor can it be. But with more than twenty-five graduates of our girls' school now resident in Lovetch, with a membership of eighty in the local Epworth League, a W. F. M. S. auxiliary of twenty, a girls' mission band of thirty members, a good Sunday school and our own girls' school, who will say that the leaven is not working? It takes years to break down the prejudice of centuries, and in some cases it takes years to win one home. A girl is not allowed to become identified with the Protestant church without her parents' consent, hence the work is of necessity slow, but ceaseless toil, consistent living and persistent prayer will conquer in the end. So our faith wavers not, though sometimes the storm clouds gather and oppositions rise.

Nor is it simply in Lovetch that we are getting a hold for Christ. In the past year a whole village near the Danube has come, as it were, into our hands and care. During his residence in Europe, Bishop Vincent has organized a little society for people who would not join the church. He calls it the Society of the True Life. He has written manuals for their use, which have been translated into the Bulgarian language, entitled "The True Physical Life," "The True Intellectual Life," "The True Domestic Life" and "The True Spiritual Life." A thousand people have joined this society. Through this "True Life Society" a church organization has sprung into life in Vratza, an entirely new point. At the last conference session a pastor was assigned to that charge. In still another village a new church has been built and dedicated and great advance has been made.

Coming one Sunday afternoon from the Sunday school work in the village the way led past a gay company engaged in a dance just at the edge of the city. A young woman of our company, a graduate of our girls' school and also a League member, remarked to the missionary, "How can those people find enjoyment in passing the Sunday thus?" Then, as if to reprove herself, she added, "But I remember when I could not spend a Sunday away from a dance. Now I care nothing for it." She had found something better and more satisfying, and although from a Greek Catholic home, in a few months from that time she had obtained permission from her parents and united with the Methodist Church. Another home opened!

In writing of the estimates, Miss Davis says: "There is, as you see, one new item—a teacher for a village school. The opening seems one that we ought to make provision for, and I have myself been to the village to see the people. They are a village of Bohemian emigrants, driven from their homes by persecution, and trying to make homes in Bulgaria, where their Protestant faith may be tolerated. They have become members of our church, and Dr. Constantine regularly visits them and ministers unto them. For six years their children have had no opportunity to attend a school. I asked them if they could prepare a place for a school and a room for a teacher; the mere possibility of a school was a joy to them. They thought they could arrange so as to use their little chapel for the school itself, and that a room could be added to one of their houses, so that it would be possible for a teacher to come and live among them. Their houses are only of beaten mud and the room could not be built until the harvest work is done. When done a teacher can live with them very comfortably, teaching their children and working among the women. The school, if started, will

number from forty to fifty children. They are to me an exceedingly interesting people; quiet, devout, hardworking, making no complaint over the hardness of their lot, although the trials they have suffered must have put their courage to the test. Driven by persecution from their former homes, they sought a refuge in Bulgaria; when just fairly settled in their new homes and getting their land under cultivation, they were mobbed and driven out by jealous Bulgarian villagers, and in the wet, cold season of the year had to wander forth again homeless. The Bulgarian government punished the offending villagers, but could not rebuild the homes of the victims for them. The government, however, gave them a new site whereon to build, a barren, uncultivated field and there these brave people dug into the hillside and made shelters for themselves and their children till the weather made it possible to build their little homes of beaten mud. That was two years ago, and now if they secure what their harvest ought to bring them this year, they will be able to live without fear of starvation this winter. They have cultivated that barren field and are already an object lesson to the dirty villagers around them.

I believe that if we can give them a teacher now that after two or three years they can pay a teacher's salary themselves, but at present the most they can do is to provide a home for her.

The primary school in Hotantsa has an enrollment of nineteen pupils and good reports have been received concerning it.

Mr. Constantine's report to the conference indicates that there is a real spiritual awakening among the people. In one of his visits to Hotantsa special services were held for ten days, which were occasions of interest and Divine blessing. A young girl not over thirteen years old led the way toward the higher life. Another was a man eighty years of age, who stood up for the first time in his life to testify that he wished to give what was left of his earthly life to the service of the Master. His attempts to make known his desire were not very successful, and he tried to pray and commenced to repeat the Lord's Prayer, alternating between the Bulgarian and the Slavic dialects, but could his stammering tongue have only uttered:

“Our Father,” that were of higher worth
To his ailing soul
Than all the creeds on earth.”

Twenty-five persons of various ages expressed a desire to forsake their sins and henceforth to lead christian lives.

Let those who can measure the value and influence of one loyal soul won for the Master, of one true christian home, sound, if they will,

the first note of retreat and say that the work in Bulgaria should be abandoned, and these uplifting agencies and influences withdrawn. We prefer the encouraging words of the Saviour concerning those who give but "a cup of cold water in His name," and the poor woman "who hath done what she could."

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

ITALY

Organized as a Conference in 1881.

Woman's Work Commenced in 1886.

MISSIONARIES

*M. ELLA VICKERY,
AGNES A. LLEWELLYN,

EVA ODGERS,
LAURA E. BEAZELL,

EDITH M. SWIFT.

* Home on leave.

ROME. The opportunity to visit Rome and to become personally familiar with the character and extent and future outlook of the mission work which is being carried on in that city, was afforded me last March and was eagerly embraced. It was in fact the realization of a dream which, at frequent intervals, had woven its elusive imagery with the experiences of many years.

Correspondence, the use of maps, photographs and knowledge gleaned from personal conversations with those who were actively connected with Italian missions, but who, from one or another reason, had been on visits to the home land, had enabled me to form something better than a crude idea of the several enterprises in which our Society is interested, but no representation, or report, or description can adequately take the place of that knowledge which actual contact with a situation affords. The reality always is very different from the picture and the reality is more impressive than any portraiture of it can be.

For some reason, which it is difficult to define, the Italian missions have never seemed to appeal to our Society with the same interest that has been manifested in the work located in India and China and Japan, and yet no work for which the Society is responsible has more claims for recognition, is more efficient, or has shown greater advancement or success.

The home school on Via Garibaldi was our first investment in Rome. The property which was purchased for this purpose cost fifteen thousand dollars, but it could today be easily sold for twice that sum

if we desired to part with it. Some alterations have been made in the building to render it less like a nunnery in appearance and to better adapt it to the purposes of education and as a home for the bright and happy girls who live there. In the ample garden which is attached to the school, there are orange and lemon trees and fruits of many varieties. Flowers and vegetables are also cultivated and are arranged with such skill and taste that the whole appearance is exceedingly beautiful and artistic. These grounds also afford a superb view of Janiculum Hill, with its graceful trees, its beautiful drives and parks, and its splendid statue of Garibaldi, the Liberator of Italy.

The value of our work in Rome and the importance of maintaining it have often been insisted upon in the reports which have been placed before this General Executive Committee. In none of our mission stations is there any greater need for Gospel instruction than in Rome, and nowhere have the results of mission effort been more tangible and beneficent. In the midst of the greatest papal city in the world the representatives of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society have been successful in establishing schools of recognized merit, and in which the christian faith, as it is accepted and believed and proclaimed by the Methodist Episcopal Church, forms not only a part of the instruction, but is earnestly urged upon students as insuring to those who accept it "Peace on earth and in the end everlasting life."

In co-operation with the missionaries appointed and supported here by the general missionary society, regular preaching and Sunday school services are constantly maintained, and through these agencies many of the people have been converted and are enabled to rejoice in the christian assurance and hope. Hitherto, the support given by the secretary of the Northwestern Branch to our Italian interests was inspired by faith in the reports of the work which from time to time came to us from those who had it in charge. The opportunity to become personally familiar with its methods, influence and outlook, has most abundantly justified that faith and transformed a former conviction into a realized knowledge. The importance of our Italian missions is not second to any work which we support.

Dr. Clark, whose long residence in Italy and whose intimate knowledge of its people and conditions, enable him to speak with an authority which cannot be called into question, says: "To the masses of the people of this country the Gospel of Jesus Christ is entirely unknown. It can scarcely be less known to the masses in China, India or Japan. While Italy may not be called a "heathen country" it is nevertheless in no sense in which we understand the term, a "christian country."

Those persons who think and say that there is no need of preaching the gospel to these people because they are already christian, only show that they have no adequate conception of the moral and spiritual destitution which prevails in Papal lands."

Professor Merriam, of the University of Naples, a man of broad culture and perhaps as familiar with the moral and social conditions of the country as any living authority, a man who was himself born and reared in the Roman Catholic Church, and who has never yet withdrawn from it, speaking of the religion of that church says: "It may, indeed, have had its days of glory and usefulness, but it has now become a pure formalism, it has no power over the morals of the people; it does not attract or educate or uplift the masses; it simply holds them under its sway by force of habit, and its ultimate result can only be ignorant credulity in the midst of ignorant incredulity."

Under such conditions is it possible to conceive of a land where missionary effort is more imperiously demanded? Its history and civilization and its art only emphasize the density of its moral degradation. Its people, when they can be reached, respond readily to Gospel instruction. Shall we send it to them?

As in pagan lands, so here the most effective and permanent agency for the redemption and salvation of the people is through the children. The schools that have been established are exerting a constantly increasing influence, which is gradually but certainly permeating the entire community.

Miss Martha Diem, of Switzerland, who comes to us from a missionary family and with a missionary spirit, will have the departments of Domestic Science and French Language, and we shall make training for domestic service a special feature, training girls particularly for housekeepers. We shall also open in October our own industrial school and not continue to send the girls across the city to the government school, as we have been doing. We shall then have all the labor of the girls and it will in time be a great source of revenue to the school. But more than this, they will be under the influence of christian teachers all the time. Our home is badly arranged for the industrial work and cannot be adapted to it without radical changes, but we shall do the best we can and hope to earn part of the money for the new building. By spring we hope to be able to fill orders for lace and embroidered handkerchiefs, collars and various other kinds of fine work.

The "Schuola Margherita," which our girls have been attending, refused last year 300 pupils for want of room, and there is every reason to believe that many of those who cannot be admitted to that school will

come to us as day pupils. Had we room, we could now have more than double the present number of boarding pupils from all parts of Italy. We are receiving applications every day. Many of these are from Catholic parents, who say they had rather pay us more money than the nuns ask than to have their children under their influence, because they want them to learn to be honest and good, not to lie and deceive and say prayers as they are taught in nuns' schools. We always say, "But they must study our Bible and go to our church and Sunday school." And invariably the answer comes, "I want them to do so. They will learn something there. The name of the church is not important. I want my child to have character."

The standard of excellence in scholarship and character has been steadily raised and this has come through the prayerful efforts of the girls for self-mastery, assisted by the conscientious exercise of strict discipline by the authorities. Their religious lives have been helped by the morning and evening Bible study and prayer, students and teachers taking their turns in leading; by evening services held in the chapel, by regular Bible classes, by quiet heart to heart talks with individuals and small groups of girls, besides the regular attendance of the entire school at Sunday school and divine service in the church. This school has never had a brighter outlook than it has today. It is just beginning to reap the advantage of the christian training given the girls, first by Miss Hall, then by Miss Vickery and Miss Bayse, and the older girls have been greater support to us the past year than our teachers. Occupying positions as teachers this year, they will be of still more value. All the other teachers we have engaged are not only experienced teachers but earnest Christians, and we are looking for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our girls.

Of the fifty-three pupils enrolled during the year, 30 are in the kindergarten and 5 in elementary grades. This department is ably supervised by Professor Gasparini, who gives the government examination. Eight who have finished the elementary course are now day pupils at the normal school, one of them standing among the highest in the class.

Through the generosity of an American friend we were enabled to equip a room for the kindergarten and install one of our own graduates as teacher. She has not only made a success of the kindergarten, but has taught the primary Bible classes with equally good results, and though but a pupil last year has maintained better discipline during her hours of surveillance than any other teacher in the school. The work of the home has always been done by the girls, but this year it will be

arranged in a more systematic manner than has hitherto been practicable.

For four weeks we enjoyed the hospitality of Crandon Hall. During this time we became familiar with the management and methods of the institution, as well as with the discipline and spirit which pervaded it.

In the matter of instruction this school takes rank with the very best. Many of the teachers and professors have the highest reputation in their respective specialties, and the grade of scholarship which is required for graduation is not below that of any similar institution.

Connected with the scholastic curriculum there is also a religious education, which in a sensible and effective form is insisted on throughout the course.

Animated by the desire that all connected with the school should be active, christian Protestants, we have made several changes in the corps of teachers. Miss Swift graduated from Boston University, where she was beloved for her christian activity, has joined our ranks with the hope of consecrating her life to mission work, and at present has charge of the English Department. The resignation of Mlle. Roque made it necessary to renounce the much appreciated help of Miss DeLord in the administration, that she might dedicate all her time to the numerous French classes. We heartily welcomed as one of our number Miss Edith Burt, whose deep piety and facility with several languages singularly fit her for this mission.

The death of Fraulein Mahraun left the whole of the German department to the intelligent care of Fr. Bollenger, who is not only a strong moral force in the home, but who also renders a great service to the institute in her scrupulous care of the books. To supply Fr. Bollenger's place as an assistant to Miss Llewellyn in the supervision of the house, we were very fortunate in securing the services of Fraulein Muller, also a Protestant and earnest Christian. Miss Fillipini, who took her degree last year from the Roman University, a daughter of the Rev. F. Fillipini of the Wesleyan Church, has been added to our corps of normal teachers, while Miss Bacon and Mlle. Davio, both daughters of Methodist ministers, have assumed the care of the new kindergarten.

The work of all of our 35 professors and teachers has been most thorough and showed constant vigilance for the best interests of the school. My words of praise and gratitude can add nothing to the satisfaction each must feel in having done her duty. The Institute owes special gratitude to Miss Llewellyn for her efficient aid in its direction.

Our growth in numbers has come to a standstill owing to our restricted space, hence the 267 pupils registered this year represent progress in quality rather than in quantity. Only pupils who would follow regular courses of study, and who seemed most amenable to christian influences were accepted. American students and Italians following courses of study not included in our curriculum, had to be refused. We regret very much our inability to receive these young women who have come to Rome for the highest diploma the Government gives, and who represent the future educators of the Nation, for it is very evident to all that a christian influence upon them is of the utmost importance. I have, however, succeeded in interesting the Roman Branch of the Y. W. C. A. and soon they hope to open in Rome an International Home for their special care and protection.

As last year, the 20th of December, the anniversary of the dedication of Crandon Hall by our beloved Bishop Vincent was chosen for the distribution of prizes merited by the pupils for excellent work during the year. Our hearts were gladdened on this occasion in comparing the many rows of bright faced girls who crowded the large Italian church, with the handful of pupils that represented the school at the dedication of the building. Truly the three years have been rich in fruit. The pupils of Prof. Sgambati rendered a much appreciated musical program, and Prof. Tauro won the hearty applause of the large audience of parents and relatives of the pupils by an instructive discourse on "Some ideals on the modern education of women." Time will not permit extracts from this discourse which was full of rich suggestion. It was noticed favorably and largely quoted in many Italian periodicals and printed in full by the Institute.

No change has been made in the management and direction of the Music School which was frequented this year by 122 pupils and gave five public recitals and two concerts, thus providing the funds for two free scholarships to be given by competitive examination to pupils with decided musical talent but deprived of the means necessary to secure the best instruction.

Rev. A. Tagliatela who kindly assists in the religious instruction of the pupils, was compelled by overwork to renounce a part of his program—a projected course of moral lectures—which we hoped would reach many of the Catholic day-pupils. The teachers and most of the boarders, however, have been greatly helped by his thoughtful and spiritual sermons. The attendance of our pupils both in the English and Italian churches, has been continually on

the increase and we feel now that we have reached the point where we may require their regular attendance at all the church services. A short prayer is held every morning with the day pupils, but we cannot expect the best results from this service until we have a chapel large enough to accommodate all the pupils in a general assembly. The evening prayer with the boarders, on the contrary, has yielded most satisfactory results. The boarders thoroughly enjoy the hour, an atmosphere of spiritual communion prevails and the hymns are sung with enthusiasm and a deep appreciation of the words as well as of the melodies. The words of these songs carried home, promise much. We have seen just recently, an awakening interest in the study of the Bible; many have bought their own copies, others have received them as the presents they most desired. A short time ago opening suddenly a door of one of the dormitories, I was moved to find a little Catholic girl nursing a sick companion with the words of the Great Physician. It was such a surprise, I seemed to hear the Master's words, O thou of little faith! Another little one who came from a bigoted Catholic family openly says that she is a Protestant at heart; though quite young she has already acquired an astonishing knowledge of the Bible, and has shown such earnestness that even her family has been touched and interested in the Protestant belief. The mother told me lately that she had purchased a Bible owing to the entreaties of her daughter. The little one seems to have been called like Samuel and says she intends to become a missionary. Were it not for the fear of betraying heart-to-heart talks, I might repeat many conversations and quote from numerous letters which show clearly that the spirit is working in our midst. In many there is a slow transformation of the heart, a different attitude towards our religious exercises; in others a fierce struggle between old and new ideas, and in all an evident desire for spiritual light and growth.

Every Sunday morning unless prevented by absence from Rome, Dr. Burt has presented the bread of life to these hungry souls; the message has been gladly received and left a deep impression on the hearts of both pupils and teachers. There has been also unusual activity in the various circles of the King's Daughters.

From the profits of several entertainments and the sale of their own handiwork to which the members have devoted every spare moment, they have raised enough money to help support an orphan in the Via Garibaldi School and have given aid to the Creche and to many of the church poor who needed special care. Last week the larger girls arranged an interesting entertainment with a lecture on Maxim Gorki, laying special stress on the beautiful Christ-like

maxim of the duty of each individual to dedicate all his resources to the good of his less fortunate brothers.

Miss Swift has also organized a band of Standard Bearers who have taken a pledge of ten dollars a year for Missions, and she aims to keep all interested in the progress of Missions throughout the world.

We could not hope for a more satisfactory financial condition. The local receipts from May 1, 1902, to April 30, 1903 amount to lire 77,377.03 (\$15,475) and have not only provided for all running expenses—board, light, heat, taxes, service, two scholarships and the salaries of the teachers (34), but have also paid more than \$500 on the property debt. We are proud to note that no other school of the missionary society has made a better record for self-support in so short a time.

It may be of interest to know some of the opinions expressed by those who have the best opportunities to know the standing of the school. The Inspector for Public Instruction in Rome says of it: "Crandon Institute is without doubt the best private institution in Rome, and the Government schools seem like prisons after seeing its bright, airy rooms. The superintendent of studies in the Government schools said to a teacher, 'You are fortunate to have a position in Crandon Institute, for it is one of the best in Rome. A lady of culture and wide experience, a member of the Waldensian Church said, 'Crandon Institute is accomplishing the best evangelical work ever done in Rome, and the only work the clericals fear.'"

The Kindergarten and day nursery are cared for by Mrs. Burt who has two Italian assistants. Sixty little children are every day the recipients of its care and instruction. They are taught the kindergarten games, learn to sing, listen to simple Bible lessons and are served with an abundance of good wholesome food. For this care and instruction and oversight, the parents of the children pay for each, one cent a day. This is surely an inexpensive institution so far as its patrons are concerned.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON, *Official Correspondent.*

MEXICO

Woman's Work Commenced 1874.

MISSIONARIES

Mexico City.

HARRIET L. AYRES,
ALICE W. KURTZ,
LAURA TEMPLE.

Pachuca.

IDA BOHANNON,
HELEN HEWITT.

Puebla.

*ANNA R. LIMBERGER,
CAROLINE M. PURDY,

Guanajuato.

EFFIE M. DUNMORE,
M. ALICE MOORE.

*Home on leave.

The W. F. M. S. has work in twelve stations in the Republic of Mexico, the four Boarding schools are in Mexico City, Pachuca, Puebla, and Guanajuato. Pachuca, one of the largest girls schools in our mission, is arranged for but few boarding pupils; Mexico City and Puebla give normal instruction, and Guanajuato is about to open a Bible-woman's Training School additional to its boarding and day school.

MEXICO CITY. In April Miss Laura Temple, of New York Branch, entered upon the duties as principal in the school in Mexico City, and has been most successful in her management. Miss Ayres is preparing to enter more directly into evangelistic work, and thus fulfill a long cherished desire of her heart. This school has grown far beyond the capacity of the building bought twenty years ago and has become very crowded and inconvenient; recently it has been sold for nearly three times the amount of its original cost, and another property bought in a cheaper part of the city, which all the mission think very desirably located, and on which it is the intention to build immediately. During the absence of Miss Bohannon of Pachuca, on health vacation, Miss Hewitt who had had charge of the English department, took the superintendence of the native school, and after Miss Bohannon's return she took a short vacation, and will soon go back to Pachuca to assist in the same institution.

PUEBLA is continually increasing in influence and prosperity as a normal school, the expense of much of its growing efficiency is met from self support. A higher grade English class has been made necessary by the large number who are asking instruction in that language; Miss Limberger has the general oversight of the school, with several classes, Miss Purdy teaches Natural Science, General History, two English classes in the normal school, and

with Miss Limberger keeps in close touch with the spiritual life of the girls, eleven of whom united with the church in the last year. Miss Juana Palacios, after having given a year to additional study in Boston, returned to Puebla refreshed morally, intellectually and spiritually; she has organized an Alumnae Association, which had its first meeting last spring. It was inspiring to see that these graduates of other years had developed into intelligent christian women. They not only brought gifts to the school, but formed themselves into a society for the support of a scholarship, an additional course of study, and the formation of night schools for mothers who do not know how to read or write. Two teachers of special branches from the States, are maintained by tuition fees from their pupils, and a third will probably be added on the same terms.

The new building at Guanajuato is progressing, and is only waiting for additional funds for its completion, and already it is occupied by teachers and pupils.

In Mexico 1626 scholars are under instruction in our different schools, 63 teachers are employed, 57 of whom are members of our church.

The statesmen of the present day look to the Pacific Ocean as the arena of action of the world's nations in the near future. Our own Government cannot be a silent or uninterested looker-on in any event that ruffles its waters. Mexico is a part of North America, and the Pacific washes nearly three thousand miles of its western coast. If there should come trouble in this western ocean, Mexico should be one with us in aim and achievement. As christian moral questions underlie all conflicts of the present century, the United States and Mexico should be one on all points involving these, as well as political results. Too long we have suffered our sister Republic to work her own way out of superstition forced upon her by a Medieval European nation; she has aroused herself, and is shaking off the incubus of sixteenth century ideas; we have not addressed ourself to her help as we should. What is demanded of our W. F. M. S. is to hasten the propagation of the truth as it is in Christ Jesus. We must educate her young women, we must give them the Bible, our Evangelists must reach every family.

Many years ago a woman took her stand just outside of our boundary line, and poured Bibles into Mexico, it was all she could do then, but it prepared the way for our schools and Christian work. Women's hearts are needed to touch the hearts of Mexican mothers with a live coal from the altar of God's truth, and help bring into one faith the country where God has planted the banner of the free.

MRS. S. L. KEEN, *Official Correspondent.*

SOUTH AMERICA

*Woman's Work Organized 1874.**Conference Organized 1893.*

MISSIONARIES

Rosario.

MARY F. SWANEY,

Buenos Ayres.

ELEANOR LE HURAY

Montevideo.

ELIZABETH HEWETT,

BERTHA E. KNEELAND,

Lima, Peru.

ELSIE WOOD,

BERTHA WOOD,

MONTEVIDEO. The school opened favorably, more pupils being enrolled than at the same time last year. The visit of Bishop and Mrs. Joyce was a great blessing to the school. Miss Hewett writes: "The first Sunday after they left us I talked with my probationers' class of Spanish girls, trying to impress them with the importance of each one working if we realize the revival that the Bishop prayed for. Each girl at my request offered prayer, the first time they had prayed in public. I so much enjoy the work among the Spanish people. In breaking away from Romanism, they seem as hungry for the gospel as the people in real Pagan lands."

Miss Hewett works indefatigably in the school teaching from ten to four each day with the exception of two half hours spent in visiting classes. By her own testimony she seems never to be tired. Last February Miss Kneeland on account of illness was ordered to the country for two months much to her sorrow. During her absence Mrs. Craver and Mrs. Batheson took charge of her classes. She returned somewhat benefited by the change, and resumed her work but under some disadvantages. So many boarding pupils came into the school that she was obliged to give up her room and for four weeks went to the neighbors to sleep, taking her meals in the school. Later she took a room at the Boys' School with Dr. Long. From this we can see that the school is crowded and more room needed for comfort and effectiveness. Miss Kneeland writes that all of our graduates of last year are at work either here or in other schools. Some of the girls have been received into the church on probation this year. The work is going forward and the seed sown is bearing fruit. Later news from Miss Kneeland shows that her health is not greatly improved and she will probably be obliged to return to this country at no distant day. Both missionaries plead earnestly for a



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Manacagbo Canacas Guyana Guayana

Parime Mts. Rio Negro Obidos Cayenne

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Chimbona Gof Guayaquil

Truxillo

Callao

Titicaca

La Paz

Chiquisaca

Francisco

Victoria

S. Paulo Rio de Janeiro

Asuncion

Coquimbo Valparaiso

Juan Fernandez Is. Santa Cruz

Concepcion

Buenos Aires

Rosario

Monte Plata

Comientes

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helper who shall be proficient in Primary and Kindergarten methods in order to train some of our girls for this kind of work.

BUENOS AYRES. Our school property in this city is rented and the work has been greatly hampered through inadequate accommodations, the school rooms being dark, the dormitories crowded and the roofs leaky, endangering the health of both pupils and teachers. Through an increased appropriation for rent, the owner of the house was enabled to build an addition which was sorely needed. Miss LeHuray says: "The building is just completed and will be occupied as soon as we can get our new school furniture out of the custom house. This building occupies two sides of a square in a garden nearly half a block in length. It is but one story high and the new rooms have a corridor some seventy five feet long. We have twenty-two rooms, two bath rooms and a store room. The rooms are large as is apt to be the case in this country, and as the house is brick with thick walls, cool and pleasant even in the heat of summer. The school rooms seat about one hundred and fifty children. We have enrolled one hundred and two since March and could have had more had our rooms been ready at the beginning of the term. Of these twenty-six are boarding and scholarship girls. We educate thirty children entirely free. Our conference lays great stress upon this point, also the city board of education under whose authority we work. We send them monthly and quarterly reports and are subject to their inspection at stated intervals. As we are thirteen blocks from the Spanish church and still farther from the English church, it is our intention to hold services twice a week in the new communicating school rooms. Many of the poorer Italians live just down the hill from us and we want a service within easy distance of them, hoping that at the same time it will be of great benefit to the girls resident in the house. The Italian pastor is lately out from Rome, and is a man who draws the people, and having no church of his own he makes use of private houses for services in many parts of the city. Two Bible-women, also Italians, are employed under our society. As one of the main objects of our school is to prepare Protestant teachers for our work, we always have some girls in the Normal School that they may get a government diploma. We have five such this year, and as four of them are members of the church, we hope much from their future." An earnest plea comes for at least one more teacher.

ROSARIO. "I have been waiting, hoping for a telegram that should say, 'Build.' As nothing has come I can only continue waiting for letters now," so writes Miss Swaney, our efficient worker

in this place, in December last. From the above we may know the conditions in Rosario, and as yet we have heard of no definite move towards erecting a new building although a loan was authorized. If a new building is not soon to be erected the need for repairs in the one now occupied is imperative. The floors are in bad condition and the dampness is a constant menace to health. Charcoal braziers are used to dry the bedding during the day and the little wood-stove in the office which is also the sitting room saves the books. The school year closed with 200 girls in the two schools. The school had one grade higher than any previous year, the grade preparatory to the normal course. The various members of the class gave promise of usefulness. Two were to enter the National Normal School for the regular course. Another from a good family expected to go to Germany for training in Kindergarten work, a fourth was to devote herself to music in the Rosario Conservatory, two more might remain in the school as assistant and pupil teacher. Miss Swaney reports further: "Our schools are working as usual since the 9th of March. That in Laprida is up to last year's mark. The charity school is full to overflowing and many are turned away. We are doing good teaching and, I think, good christian work. The Home has only the scholarship girls. We can take no others till we build. One of our teachers who was the first girl received on scholarship, was married in May. Her husband is liberal though not openly a christian. She expects to open a school and Sunday school in the suburb in which they live. It will be a little lamp in a dark corner." Miss Swaney closes her letter as follows: "I am impressed that our work must be more than ever christian; spiritual for the forming of character." From another source we quote: "In Latin America the stirrings toward religious and civil liberty are almost everywhere manifest. Romanism has been tried and has been found wanting. It has met the need neither for social nor for individual regeneration. The numerous republics of South America and Mexico are throwing off the yoke of Rome to the extent that never since the beginning of the Roman Catholic ascendancy have there been such promising opportunities for evangelical occupation."

MARY E. HOLT, *Official Correspondent.*



AFRICA

Work Opened in 1899.

MISSIONARIES

Quessua.

SUSAN COLLINS.

Old Umtali.

MRS. HELEN E. RASMUSSEN.

Inhambane.

VIRGINIA R. SWORMSTEDT.

It is not generally known that Africa was the first field to which our general missionary society directed its labors, but the fatality to missionaries was so great that this work has never been pushed there as it has been in other countries. In "The Price of Africa," which was the leading volume in the study of our mission classes a year ago, the opportunities to win that land for Christ are presented with vigor. "From the beginning of the christian era it has been a battle ground where christianity has had its hardest fight." Another fact not generally known is that in apostolic times the christian church was planted in Africa and by the middle of the second century christian churches were found in every important town and city. There was intellectual leadership in the earlier centuries that would compare favorably with later times; but the battle was not pushed to the gates, and the title "The Neglected Continent" has been appropriately applied to this great field. Later developments in our day are convincing, that the time is now ripe for the evangelization of that great country. True it was bathed in the blood of early martyrs, but today as never before Africa is stretching out her hands unto God. The last year has been one of unusual success and failures.

QUESSUA. At this place Miss Collins has had a fairly good year. The new buildings have been finished, and the girls have made a good advance in intellectual and spiritual life, though the numbers are still small. Where girls bring a certain number of dollars in the markets, and therefore are valuable as property, we cannot soon hope to have large orphanages.

Miss Collins begs for help and thinks if she had a strong christian woman to leave in charge of the school, she could go out among her people and gather in the girls. Her letters are full of christian courage.

OLD UMTALI. Not so cheering is the account from Rhodesia. Here where Cecil Rhodes especially favored the founding of a new empire there has been everything to discourage in establishing

God's kingdom. The girls whom Mrs. Rasmussen had so faithfully taught went home and did not return, and they had been such a short time in her care that she felt discouraged as to any steadfastness in their christian lives. On the East coast the difficulties in securing native girls in this region are very great and can be only gradually overcome. Mrs. Rasmussen is well and full of plans for the future. Her most satisfactory work during the past two years, Bishop Hartzell says, has been in mastering the native Chikaranga language, and in preparing an English-Chikaranga vocabulary.

INHAMBANE. Miss McAllister is to return to Africa this fall but is appointed to the East coast. With her will go Miss Swormstedt of Cincinnati Branch. Bishop Hartzell has made us a most generous offer. They will give us free of rent a large building for the school and home for the missionaries until such time as we can erect buildings ourselves. He has secured the support of thirty girls for five years at fifteen dollars a year, and at this station there seems to be no trouble to secure the girls for training. When we are ready to build Bishop Hartzell offers one thousand dollars toward a five thousand dollar school building. He has in hand twenty-five hundred dollars which he will turn over to our society for the use of a medical missionary, when we are able to send one to Liberia.

One valuable feature of the training given these African girls is, that they are not only learning the text-books but are trained in domestic duties, and fast acquiring what has never been known in Africa, the ability to found and conduct a christian home.

Mrs. Camphor, of Monrovia, tells of a little girl who sat sewing, one day, and asked "What is it to be a christian?" When her question was answered satisfactorily, she said, "I will try to be a christian so that when I am a woman, I can tell my people about Jesus, and tell them that he even loves Golah people. They do not know about Sunday. They cut rice and work on the farm, or hunt or fish, and do the same things on Sunday that they do other days. When I am a christian and a woman I will tell them better."

It made my heart leap for joy to hear this child recently taken out of heathenism express herself. What a power for good it would be in the years to come if only fifty or a hundred of these girls were sent out through the country thoroughly trained for their Lord's service.

If our christian women at home could see the condition of these African women, they would give themselves without stint to the uplifting of our heathen sisters in this land. The church of Christ

is just beginning to put forth her might for the redemption of Africa, but, already, the work being carried on in that continent should silence any doubting Thomas who objects to further investment of life and treasure.

MRS. M. S. HUSTON, *Official Correspondent.*

SWITZERLAND, NORTH AND SOUTH GERMANY

When a year ago these conferences were found to have made an advance of over \$200.00, due greatly to the inspiration of seeing and hearing Miss Lebeus, none of us dared hope for a further advance this year. Our joy and gratitude may be imagined when we found that though one conference reported a slight decrease the others had made enough advance to make a net increase of \$50.00 for the whole.

The Conference in Switzerland has made slow but continuous advance for the last nine years. South Germany advanced for some years, but then came four years of continuous decrease until last year the phenomenal increase of 37 per cent. was reported. North Germany has fluctuated more or less, but last year reported a gain of over 15 per cent, and follows with another gain this year of 48 per cent. This, following a reduction of appropriations there of over 50 per cent, is certainly reason for singing praises to Him who has been with us in all this work.

Conditions in Europe are so different. Money is scarcer, and obligations to the State church so heavy that an aggregate of \$1,220.78 from these conferences represents more of real self-denial and missionary zeal than we here are able to realize. The Lord will not leave unheeded the many prayers that accompany the thousands of contributions that go to make up this sum. More and more interest is being shown in special work. Children's bands, Sunday-schools, Deaconesses and private individuals report at present two Bible-women and six scholarships.

The appropriation given to Switzerland helps to support Bible-women in four places, Lansanne, Zürich, Herisan and Adlisweil. These go about visiting, nursing the sick, helping the poor, holding meetings with children, with factory girls, or with mothers, trying in every way to win souls for the Master. Conversions through their efforts are not infrequent.

South Germany received no appropriation, but nobly did their best to help themselves in order that so much more may be sent to their heathen sisters.

In North Germany the work, in Berlin, formerly supported by our society is being carried on with the help of gifts from private individuals, and the appropriation given to that conference helps to support one Bible-woman in Schneeberg and Chemnitz.

A very urgent request, heartily endorsed by Bishop Vincent, comes from this conference for the establishment of a school in Neusatz Bacska, South Hungaria, similar to our school in Lovetch Bulgaria. In that country where so many are turning from Rome to Protestantism there seems great need for a school of this kind for the daughters of those who are able and anxious to provide a better education for them than the elementary government schools provide, but who are not willing to send them to the schools of the Roman Catholic Church.

The conviction is expressed that such a school would meet its own expenses when once in running order.

Praising God for His very present help and blessing in the past year, we look forward with greater courage and hope to the future, knowing that He who has helped will help again.

LOUISA C. ROTHWEILER, *Official Correspondent.*

SUMMARY OF FOREIGN WORK.

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	Missionaries	Medical Missionaries	Day Schools	Pupils	Training Schools	Pupils	Boarding Schools	Pupils	Orphanages	Orphans	Hospitals and Dispensaries	Patents	Woman's Colleges	Kindergartens	Christian Women Under Instruction	Non-Christian Under Instruction	Homes for Women	Deaconesses	Homes
North India	21		186	3,145		12	730	3	456		1	27,171	1		7,596	12,076	1	5	4
North West India	10		147	1,649	1	6	286	3	521			34,700			9,816	4,822	1	4	2
South India	12		12	516		2	113	4	332						362	27,943	3	3	1
Bombay	14		40	902		4	43	6	1,002		1	14,620					1		
Burma	7		1	80		2	100	1	50										
Bengal	12		7			3	3								35	92			
Malaysia	9		5	233		3													
Philippine Islands	1																		
Foochow Conference	20	4	82	1,274	6	115	302	1	34	4									
Hing Hua	7		30	394	2	47	109												
North China	14	5	6	61		25	165	8		8		14,161							
Central China	15	4	22	22	2	3	150	9		9		27,180							
West China	6	1		25	2	2	40	1		1		1,000							
Central Japan	15		7	833	1	26	210												
North Japan	8		3	300	3	2	80							1					
South Japan	8		1	35	3	3	346	1	20				1	1					
Mexico	8		8	388	1	4	1,238							2					
South America	5		2	100	2	2	100												
Bulgaria	2		1	17		2	65												
Italy	4					2	292												
Korea	17	4	6		6	125	1		1	4		8,142							
Africa	2				1	1													
	217	22	537	9,912	21	331	67	4,442	20	2,416	30	153,365	2	6	16,839	19,933	6	23	10

Appropriations for 1903-1904.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

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North India.

<i>Naini Tal.</i> , Schools, Conveyance and Teachers (one-half)...	\$ 104
<i>Dwarahat</i> , Assistant	110
Three Scholarships, \$20.....	60
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Assistant, Miss McMullen	240
Two Scholarships, \$20	40
Conveyance	60
Repairs	50
<i>Bareilly</i> , Scholarships	300
Hospital bed	20
<i>Shahjahanpur</i> , Miss Organ	650
<i>Moradabad</i> , First Assistant.....	240
Scholarships \$15	720
2 Agra Medical Scholarships ..	80
12 City Schools	168
Inspectress	60
Conveyance	84
Bible Readers	104
Mrs. Parker's itinerating	33
Assistant for City Work	200
<i>Sambhal</i>	950
<i>Bijnour</i> , Second Assistant	180
10 Scholarships \$15	150
City Workers	60
Conveyance	66
Circuit Bible Readers and Teachers	110
District Work	686
Mrs. Mansell's itinerating	50
<i>Lucknow College</i> , Miss Siddall's outfit, passage and salary	1000
Miss Nichols, Home salary....	350
2 Memorial Scholarships	80
<i>Gonda</i> , Miss Ruddick	500
Rent	100

Total for North India\$7,655

North West India.

<i>Cawnpore</i> , First Assistant	\$220
10 Scholarships \$15	150
Assistant (one-half)	110
2 Scholarships, High School....	80
<i>Mecrut</i> , First Assistant	240
<i>Muttra</i> , First Assistant	240
Conveyance	33
13 Scholarships, \$15	195

Total for N. W. India....\$1,268

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , 5 Scholarships, \$20	\$100
<i>Basim</i> , 45 Scholarships, \$15	675
Assistant	200
Well	200
Bible Readers	100
Conveyance and itinerating	100
Tent for itinerating	59

Total for Bombay

South India.

<i>Raipur</i> , Miss Harvey	\$450
House Expenses	125
Conveyance	60
<i>Haiderabad</i> , City Schools	275
Mrs. Somerville	260
4 Scholarships, \$20	80
<i>Madras</i> , Miss D'Jordan	260
Miss Young	260
10 Scholarships, \$20	200
Conveyance	80
Meenambal	100

Total for South India\$2,150

Bengal.

<i>Darjeeling</i> , Miss Knowles	\$350
Total for Bengal	\$350

Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Miss Hemingway's salary and traveling expenses.	\$675
7 Scholarships, \$20	140
Miss Meyer	210
Rent, Teluk Ayer	180
Conveyance	120
Teacher	90
<i>Penang</i> , First Teacher, Girls' School	180
Total for Malaysia	\$1,595

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , Miss Paine	\$750
House steward	50
West Gate Day School	40
Fuel	175
Repairs, Scranton Home	25
12 Scholarships Ewa Haktung	420
Total for Korea	\$1,460

North Japan.

<i>Hakodate</i> , Teacher of Literature..	\$270
Pupil Assistant	60
7 Scholarships, \$40	280
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Teacher, third and fourth grades	100
Bible Reader	90
Assistant	60
Total for North Japan...	\$860

Central Japan.

<i>Yamagata</i> , Bible Reader	\$90
<i>Aoyama</i> , 9 Scholarships, \$40	360
Science Teacher	234
Harrison Industrial School, 2 Scholarships, \$40	80
<i>Yokohama</i> , 7 Scholarships, \$40....	280
Preparatory Teacher	75
Ground Rent	60
Insurance	200
Fuel and Lights	75
Bible Reader, Mrs. Inagaki	90
Repairs	120
Yamabukicho Day School	600
Yamabukicho Kindergarten	50
Literary Work	35
<i>Nagoya</i> , Chinese and Japanese Teacher (one-half)	125
Sewing Teacher	150
Matron	75
Total for Central Japan...	\$2,699

South Japan.

<i>Nagasaki</i> , 7 Scholarships, \$40	\$280
Total for South Japan ...	\$280

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Miss Young	\$750
Miss Gilman	650
Tartar City Day School	50
Medical Work	200
27 Scholarships, \$30	810
<i>Tientsin</i> , 1 Scholarship	30
<i>Ch'ang Li</i> , Dr. Terry	650
Miss Glover	750
Day Schools	75
Station Class and Country Work	150
Hospital and Dispensary.....	275
Country Medical Work	150
18 Scholarships, \$30	540
Total for North China...	\$5,080

West China.

<i>Chentu</i> , Miss Collier	\$450
3 Scholarships, \$20	60
<i>Chung King</i> , 4 Scholarships, \$20..	80
Bible Reader	30
Total for West China	\$620

Central China.

<i>Nanking</i> , 7 Scholarships, \$25.....	\$175
Day School	40
Total for Central China..	\$215

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Boarding School	\$240
2 Orphans, \$30	60
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Woman's School	150
Bible Reader	50
Day School	25
Repairs	20
<i>Hai Tang</i> , Woman's School	300
Day Schools and Traveling	240
<i>long Bing</i> , Miss Hartford	750
Repairs and Rent	50
Total for Foochow	\$1,885

Hing Hua.

<i>Iug Chung</i> , Miss Todd	\$600
Miss Marriott	600
Bible Reader	75
Total for Hing Hua	\$1,275

Bulgaria.

<i>Lovetch</i> , 2 Scholarships, \$40.....	\$80
Matron and other service	220
Taxes	25
Total for Bulgaria	\$325

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , 5 Scholarships, Via Garibaldi	\$250
Total for Italy	\$250

South America.

<i>Buenos Ayres</i> , Rent	\$200
Assistant Teacher	200
Scholarship	83
<i>Rosario</i> , Assistant	400
2 Scholarships, \$100	200
School supplies	30
Repairs and taxes	200
Furniture	50
<i>Montevideo</i> , Miss Kneeland	750
Scholarships	100
Taxes	150
Insurance	40
School supplies	100
Total for South America..	\$2,503

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , 3 Scholarships, \$50..	\$150
School supplies	250
Bible Reader	105
<i>Miraflores</i> , Native Teacher	240
Assistant	210
Porter	70
<i>Pachuca</i> , Native Teacher	200
Assistant	200
Scholarship	50
Water Tax and Repairs	80
<i>Puebla</i> , Native Teacher	500
3 Scholarships, \$50	150
Total for Mexico	\$2,205

SUMMARY.

North India	\$7,653
North West India	1,268
Bombay, India	1,425
South India	2,150
Bengal, India	350
Malaysia	1,595
Korea	1,460
North Japan	860
South Japan	280
Central Japan	2,699
North China	5,080
West China	620
Central China	215

Foochow, China	\$1,885
Hing Hua, China	1,275
Bulgaria	325
Italy	250
South America	2,503
Mexico	2,205
Total	\$34,100

NEW YORK BRANCH.

North India.

Bareilly—Kumaon District.

<i>Naini Tal</i> , Bible-women	\$64
Mrs. Newman's Bible-women..	50
<i>Dwarahat</i> , 5 Scholarships at \$20..	100
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , 8 Scholarships at \$20	160
Woman's Home, Assistant, Miss Oram	220
Support of Women	100
Industrial Work	320
Miss Annie Budden, Salary....	450
Debt on Pithoragarh	200
Assistant, Miss Hayes	240
3 Village Schools	60
Training Class	100
Bible-women	60
Conveyances	67
Itinerating	50
2 Bible-women, Mrs. Newman's Bareilly, Miss Fannie English, Salary	650
Orphanage, First Assistant	240
Second Assistant	220
Scholarships	1,755
City and Village Work; City Schools	133
Mohulla and Village Work....	165
Bible-women	160
Conveyance	120
Woman's School, Teachers ...	120
Books and Incidentals	12
<i>Shahjahanpur West</i> , Bible-women.	60
Mrs. Neeld's Itinerating	50
<i>Shahjahanpur East</i> , 4 Bible-women	120
Conveyance	44
Widows	43
Repairs	17
City Schools	17
<i>Katra</i>	48
<i>Khera Bajhera</i>	33
<i>Faridpur</i>	64
Total	\$6,412

Garhwal District.

<i>Pauri</i> , 6 Scholarships at \$20	\$120
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman, "Sarah"	50
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman, "Eleanor Gill"	50
Total	\$220

Moradabad District.

<i>Moradabad Boarding School, 5</i>	
Scholarships	\$75
Evangelistic work conveyance..	90
Bible-women	140
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	\$305

Budaon District.

<i>Budaon, Miss Kate Curts, home salary</i>	\$350
<i>Kakrala, Bible-women</i>	92
<i>Binawar, Bible-women</i>	80
<i>Ujhaini, Bible-women</i>	80
<i>Dataganj, Bible-women</i>	85
<i>Bhamora, Bible-women</i>	64
<i>Aonla, Bible-women</i>	132
<i>Bilsli, Bible-women</i>	106
<i>Bisauli, Bible-women</i>	128
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	\$1,117

Bijnour District.

<i>Bijnour, Boarding School, 2 Scholarships</i>	\$30
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	\$1,672

Pilibhit District.

<i>Pilibhit, Bible-women and teachers</i>	\$180
<i>Fathganj, Bible-women and teachers</i>	234
<i>Mirganj, Bible-women and teachers</i>	80
<i>Shahi, Bible-women and teachers</i>	82
<i>Bisalpur, Bible-women and teachers</i>	60
<i>Nawabganj, Bible-women and teachers</i>	46
<i>Puranpur, Bible-women and teachers</i>	44
<i>Rampur, Bible-women and teachers</i>	68
<i>Sirauli, Bible-women and teachers</i>	74
<i>Baheri, Bible-women and teachers</i>	100
Itinerating	32
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	\$1,000

Hardoi District.

<i>Hardoi, 15 Scholarships at \$20..</i>	\$300
Bible-women	114
Mrs. Tupper's itinerating	24
House rent	6
<i>Circuit Work, Sandila</i>	56
Safipur	40
Sandi	52
Mallawan	48
Bilgram	68
Unao	80

<i>Pahani</i>	\$ 68
<i>Shahabad</i>	124
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	\$080

Oudh District.

<i>Lucknow, Home for homeless women, B. W. Caroline Richards</i>	\$60
Conveyance	80
Zenana and village work, 3 Bible-women	84
Conveyance	80
New horse	50
Circuit work, Bible-women ...	60
<i>Sitapur, Boarding school Miss Loper, salary</i>	650
8 scholarships at \$20	160
B. W. Georgiana Dempster....	40
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	\$1,264

Gonda District.

<i>Bahraich, Schools</i>	\$44
Conveyance	53
Itinerating	20
Bible-women	116
Kaisarganj	26
Bhinga	63
Nanpara	40
Ellenpur and Mankapur	160
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	\$522

Total for North India ..\$11,850

North West India.

Allahabad District.

<i>Allahabad, Boarding School, 8 scholarships at \$15.....</i>	\$120
Assistant	220
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	\$340

Cawnpore District.

<i>Cawnpore, Boarding School, 33 scholarships at \$15</i>	\$500
City and district work, assistant (half)	110
Bible-women, 18 at \$25.....	450
Itinerating	34
Jinrickshaw and wheel tax	18
District Evangelistic work....	20
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	\$1,132

Meerut District.

<i>Mrs. Buck, Bible-woman, 8 at \$25.</i>	\$200
Evangelistic work	84
Conveyance	64
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	\$348

Muttra District.

<i>Agra</i> , Assistant	\$240
Bible readers	80
Conveyance	75
Jinrickshaw and wheel tax	18
Day schools	74
<i>Muttra</i> , Native scholarships and Bible-women	96
Boarding school scholarships, 10 at \$15	150
<i>Brindaban</i> , 2 Bible readers	84
Itinerating	34
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	\$851

Total for N. W. India ...\$2,671

Bombay Conference.

Bombay District.

<i>Bombay</i> , Evangelistic work, assistant	\$280
Mrs. Bhimjibhoj	160
Emilybai Abraham	80
Mrs. Nathan	68
B. W. replacing Shantibai	
David	140
Bible-women and conveyances	230
Assistant Matron	50
Nurse	40
38 scholarships at \$20	760
Taxes and insurance (half)	125
Miss Christina Lawson, salary	650
Miss Helen Robinson, salary	650
Miss Elizabeth Nicholls, home salary	350
<i>Poona</i> , Taylor High School, Miss Martelle Elliott, home salary	300
Miss Estelle Files	500
10 scholarships at \$20	200
Taxes (half)	85
Bennie Cummings with Rev. D. O. Fox	25
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	\$4,693

Central Provinces District.

Narsingpur, Evangelistic work \$192

Gujarat District.

<i>Ahmedabad</i> , Evangelistic teachers	\$72
<i>Baroda</i> , 20 scholarships at \$20	400
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	\$664

Total for Bombay\$5,357

South India.

Bangalore District.

<i>Kolar</i> , 18 scholarships at \$20	\$360
Miss Bertha Sherwood	200

<i>Munshi</i>	\$ 19
2 Bible-women	40
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	\$619

Haiderabad District.

<i>Haiderabad</i> , Assistant, Miss Reilly	\$220
<i>Munshi</i>	30
<i>Secunderabad</i> , Bowenpalli school	80
Bible-woman	40
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	\$370

Madras District.

<i>Madras</i> , Taxes	\$65
68 scholarships at \$20	1,360
Miss Lewis	220
<i>Munshi</i>	20
3 village and 8 city schools	466
Matron	200
Zenana assistant	220
3 Bible-women	120
Conveyance	160
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	\$2,831

Raichur District.

<i>Raichur</i> , 20 scholarships at \$20 ..	\$400
1st assistant, Miss Dickson	230
4 Bible-women	100
Conveyance	100
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	\$830

South India Total\$4,650

Bengal.

Asansol District.

Asansol, 3 scholarships at \$15.... \$45

Calcutta District.

<i>Bolpur</i> , Mrs. Culshaw, 5 Bible-women at \$40	\$200
1 teacher	40
2 Jhees	30
5 village schools	20
Repairs	12
Drivers and Bullocks	48
<i>Calcutta</i> , Girls' orphanage, Miss Smith, 5 orphans at \$40 ...	200
Deaconess Home, Miss Maxey, salary	325
Miss Maxey home going	300
Rent (half)	400
Hindustani work, Miss Stumpf, 2 Bible-women	80
Teachers	80
Rent	48
<i>Bengali Work</i> , 4 Bible-women	180
4 scholarships at \$25	200
Shoju, Otego scholarship	15
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	\$2,178

Pakur, Mrs. Meik, 9 scholarships. \$180

Diamond Harbour District.	
Tamluk, Miss Jennie Moyer, salary	\$500
Teachers	125
Rent	35
Bullock cart	25
3 girls, partial support by Syracuse S. S., Baldwinville Ep. L., Mansfield	35
Bible-woman for district	50
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	\$773

Total for Bengal\$3,176

Burma

Rangoon, Emma Künzl \$80

Grand total for India...\$27,784

Malaysia.

Kuala Lumpur, Mrs. Meek, salary. \$425	
Vernacular teacher	48
Scholarships	40
Finance Committee and Conference Transit	57
Contingencies	30

Total for Malaysia.....\$600

North China.

Peking, Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell, salary	\$650
20 scholarships at \$30	600
Rondout day school	50
Station class (B. W.)	50
Bible-woman	40

\$1,390

Tientsin, Boarding school, 5 scholarships at \$30
 \$150 |

Ch'ang Li (replacing Tsunhua) Boarding school, 11 scholarships at \$30
 330 |

2 Bible-women
 80 |

Shan Tung, Bible-woman, Mrs. Wang
 40 |

North China total\$1,900

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Miss Lucy Hoag, M. D., salary	\$600
14 scholarships at \$25	350
Medical Work	200
Nanking, 2 scholarships at \$25....	50
Wuhu, Miss Emma Mitchell, salary	600
Return to Wuhu	300
Bible-woman	40
2 day schools at \$10	80
Gateman	18
Rent	130

Evangelistic work	30
New Missionary, Miss Deavett. 1000	
Kiu Kiang, Miss Carrie Dreibelbies, salary	600
Incidentals	150
12 scholarships at \$25	300
4 day schools at \$40	160
3 Bible-women at \$40	120
Nurse	30
Nan Chang, 5 Scholarships at \$25 ..	125

Central China total\$4,883

Foochow Conference.

Foochow, Woman's Training school (partial)	\$150
Insurance	15
Miss Wells, salary	600
Miss Florence Plumb, salary ...	600
Incidentals	150
Girl's Boarding school, 8 at \$20.	160
Eight orphans at \$30	240

\$1,915

Ming Chiang, Dr. May E. Carleton, salary	\$600
Incidentals	150
Medical students	75
Medical assistant	60
Annie Pealing, orphan	30
Watchman	25
Insurance	30
Hospital expenses	500

\$1,470

Ku Cheng District.

Miss Glenk's home salary	\$325
Miss Grace Travis, salary	500
Woman's school (half)	150
8 day schools and traveling..	200
8 Bible women	200
Boarding school, 5 girls at \$20	100
Insurance	40

\$1515

North Jong Bing District.

Miss Alice Linam, salary	\$600
Woman's training school	100
Rent	50
Publishing Conference Minutes	25

\$775

Foochow total\$5,675

Hing Hua.

Two Bible women	\$50
One orphan	20

\$70

Grand total for China..\$12,618

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , Ewa Haktung, Eunmon, teacher, Grace Moon	\$ 60
16 scholarships at \$35	560
<i>Chong Dong</i> , Bible woman, Theresa	50
Bible woman, Delia	50
Woman's Hospital, in-patients	125
Fuel	175
Repairs	100
Drugs and instruments	250
Mary D. Cutler, M.D., salary..	700
salary	700
<i>East Gate</i> , Baldwin dispensary, repairs on Scranton Home (half)	25
<i>Tal Sung</i> , Bible-woman, Sarah Kim	50
Bible-woman, Hannah	50
Bible-woman, Alice Barr	50
Bible-woman, Melissa	50
Day school	50
Fuel	25
Muchinai Day School	50
Mrs. Sharp's itinerating	100
Coolie	50
<i>Pyeng Yang</i> , Dispensary assistants	\$150
Bible-woman, Susan	50
Dispensary Bible-woman	50
Fuel and light	150
In-patients	100
Drugs and instruments	125
Repairs	100
Blind Class	60
Blind scholarship	40
Miss Estey's itinerating	200
Miss Robbins itinerating	75
Bible-woman for Miss Robbins	50
Bible-woman for Miss Estey	50
Rosetta Hall, M. D. salary....	700
Miss Ethel M. Estey, salary and incidentals	750
Miss Henrietta Robbins, salary	700
School furniture	25
<i>Chemulpo</i> , Bible-woman, Helen... \$50	\$50
Bible-woman, Helena	50
Day school	50
Miss Miller's itinerating	75
Gateman	25
Miss Lula A. Miller	750
<i>General</i> , Freight and duty (half)..	50
Medical traveling	75
Printing annual reports	30
Korea total	\$7,100

*North Japan.**Hakodate District.*

Caroline Wright Memorial School, Miss M. S. Hampton, salary and incidentals	\$750
School ground rent, insurance.	155

Repairs	\$100
Safe for Treasurer	25
15 scholarships at \$40.....	600
Teacher, Chinese	300
First assistant	90
Matron	115
Two pupil assistants	120
Industrial school teacher	60
Rent	25
Evangelistic work, Bible-women's house rent	40
Bible-woman, Mrs. Yamaka	90
Bible-woman, Mrs. Yoshi	45
Travel, tracts and city work....	25
Hirosaki Girls' School, first and second grades, assistant....	60
Teachers, eighth grade	365
Teachers, sewing	100
Teachers, sewing, two assistants	140
Teachers, drawing	60
Bible-woman, Aomori	90
Nurse girls school	55
Yoshida children's meeting....	30
Monthly meetings (travel)	30
North Japan total	\$3,470

Central Japan.

<i>Sendai</i> , B. W., Mrs. Hirabayashi.	\$90
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North Tokyo District.

<i>Aoyama</i> , Jo Gakuin, Miss Georgia Weaver, salary	\$700
Insurance	150
4 scholarships at \$40	160
Harrison Memorial Industrial School, 2 scholarships	80

Tokyo and Yokohama District.

Higgins Memorial Training School, 2 scholarships.....	\$80
Evangelistic work, Bible-woman, Mrs. Koike at Mita	90
Miss Kimura at Odawara	90
Tokyo, Central China	90
Literary work, Tokiwa, etc.....	150

Nagoya District.

Miss Anna Atkinson, salary and incidentals	\$750
Teacher, Chinese and Japanese (half)	125
Teacher, Intermediate Department	160
Teacher, two assistants	150
Scholarship, Iiaru Ichiku	40
Bible-woman, Second Church..	90
District travel	70

Central Japan total \$3,065

South Japan.

South Kiushiu District.

<i>Kagoshima</i> , Miss Gheer, salary....	\$600
Incidentals	150
Miss Lida Smith, salary	700
Miss Lida Smith, passage out..	300
Miss Oshima (kumamoto)	125
Mrs. Kubo, Kagoshima	55
Mrs. Tsuchihachi (Miss Kuwa- kubo)	100
Miss Yamada, Kukubo	85
Miss Sugimoto, Yatsushiro.....	85
Mrs. Tokunaka, Nagasaki	55
<i>Loochoo</i> , Miss Hori	100
Mrs. Yoneyama, assistant	35
Miss Ito	35
Sunday School and supplies	50
Miss Gheer's assistant, Mrs. Kubo	50
House rent and taxes	200
District travel and city work...	300
Tracts, papers	25

Nagasaki District.

<i>Fukuoka</i> , Eiwa Jo Gakko, 2 schol- arships	\$80
<i>Nagasaki</i> , Kwassui Jo Gakko, Miss Mabel Davison, salary.	275
Teacher, Japanese Literature...	180
15 scholarships at \$40	600

South Japan total.....\$4,185

Grand total for Japan...\$10,720

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Miss Laura Temple, salary	\$750
7 scholarships at \$50	350
Primary Department, Prof. Pan- iagua	240
French and Sewing teacher....	180
Insurance	45
Mrs. Newman's Bible,woman..	50

\$1,615

<i>Pachuca</i> , Miss Olivares	\$170
Miss I. Osorio	150
3 scholarships at \$50	150
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman..	50

\$520

<i>Puebla</i> , Miss M. Tovar	\$150
Miss Manriquez	180
Matron	240
4 scholarships at \$50	200

\$770

Total for Mexico\$2,905

South America.

<i>Buenos Ayres</i> , House rent (partial)	\$750
Miss Eleanor Le Huray, salary and incidents	750
Assistant teacher	400
Bible-woman	100
Servants	275
Taxes and repairs	200
Physician	75
School supplies	200
Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman...	50
8 scholarships at \$83.35	668
Matron's assistant	50

\$3,518

<i>Montevideo</i> , Mrs. Newman's Bible- woman	\$50
Interest on debt	100
<i>Peru</i> , Miss Elsie Wood, salary...	750

Total for South America..\$4,418

Bulgaria.

<i>Lovetch</i> , Miss Slavka Getchova..	\$200
Scholarship	40
Taxes	25

Bulgaria total\$265

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , B. W., Miss Tognotti, Mrs. Newman	\$50
Orphanage, Via Garibaldi, 5 scholarships at \$50	250
Sewing teachers	125
Matron and assistant	200
Isabel Clark Creche	150
Crandon Hall, Mary Barratt....	100

Italy total \$875

<i>Africa</i> , Old Umtali, Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen, salary.....	\$600
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SUMMARY.

Africa	\$600
North India	11,850
North West	2,671
Bombay	5,357
South India	4,650
Bengal	3,176
Burma	80
Malaysia	600
North China	1,990
Central China	4,883
Foochow	5,675
Hing Hua	70
Korea	7,100
North Japan	3,470
Central Japan	3,065
South Japan	4,185

Mexico	£2,905
South America, Buenos Ayres..	3,518
Montevideo	150
Peru	750
Bulgaria	265
Italy	875

Total	67,885
Branch contingent funds..	3,500

Thank Offering.

(Amounts conditional upon collections.)

N. W. India, Cawnpore debt....	\$150
South India, Raichur, School Building	1,000
Kolar, debt on Orphanage....	250
Central China, Wúhú Home	3,000
Nan Chang, to complete Baldwin Memorial	800
Foochow, Ming Chiang, to complete Hospital	200
Foochow Leper Chapel	200
Korea, Chemulpo, Home	1,000
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	\$77,985

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

North India.

Lobha, Bible-woman	\$25
Pithoragahs scholarships	80
Woman's Home	50
Barcilly, Orphanage	200
Student's wife's scholarships...	72
Kindergarten	72
2 Hospital Beds	40
Pauri, Miss T. J. Kyle, salary....	650
First assistant	240
Scholarships	300
Medical scholarships	40
Three village schools	96
Bijnour, Scholarships	105
Lucknow, Chair of Natural History, Miss Blackstock.....	300
Woman's College Medicines and Doctor	125
City schools and conveyance....	135
Gonda, First assistant, Miss Edwards	220
Scholarships	60
Bible-women	140
Conveyance	80
Balrampur, Evangelistic work	160
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Total	\$3,190
Building in Gonda	1,500

Total North India\$4,690

North West India.

Allahabad, Scholarships	\$90
Assistant	140

Bible readers	\$250
Conveyance	75
Itinerating and Rickshaw	50
Cawnpore, Scholarships	250
Bible-women	88
Agra, Medical Home	340
Muttra, Bible-women and itinerating	400
Lahore, Bible readers	150

Total\$1,833

Debt on Cawnpore\$1,150

Total North West India..\$2,983

South India.

Haidderabad, Scholarships	\$100
Bible-women	190
Repairs on Zenana Home	50
Kolar, Miss Eva Peters, salary (partial)	60
Village schools (2)	80
Scholarships	80
Orphanage building	200
Raichur, Miss Fenderick, salary and outgoing expenses	780
Scholarships	100
Building in Raichur	1,500

South India total\$3,140

Bombay.

Bombay, Miss Forbes, salary	\$280
Jabalpur, Miss Louise Heaper, salary	600
Choto Chindwara School	72
Miss Harvey's salary	80
Baroda, Miss Mary Williams, salary	600
Miss Sarah B. Turner, salary ..	600
Purchase of conveyance	150
First assistant	240
Second assistant	180
Matron	220
Rent and interest	400
Scholarships	2,200
Taxes	200
Training School	500
Summer school	100
Miss Nunan's salary	280
Assistant	160
Pundit for assistant	25
Itinerating	100
Mrs. Stephen's Bible-woman...	50

Bombay total\$7,037

Bengal.

Mazafferpur, Scholarships	\$120
Miss Moyer, salary (partial)....	50

Bengal total\$170

Burma.

<i>Thandawng</i> , Miss C. J. Illingworth, salary	\$600
Scholarships	120
Burma total	\$720

Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Scholarships	\$180
Miss Fox	200
Chinese Bible-woman	72
New missionary (conditional) ..	850
Rent	150
Contingencies	50
Malaysia total	\$1,502

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Scholarships	\$120
<i>Tientsin</i> , Scholarships	150
Bible-woman	50
<i>Shan Tung</i> , Dr. R. R. Benn.....	750
Scholarships	150
Bible-woman, Miss Lin	40
Medical work	300
Repairs	100
North China total	\$1,660

Central China.

<i>Ching Kiang</i> , Miss L. M. White, salary and traveling	\$750
Scholarships	100
Evangelistic work	30
<i>Nanking</i> , Scholarships	50
<i>Kiu Kiang</i> , Scholarships	175
Bible-woman	40
Central China total	\$1,145

West China, Building in Chentu

West China total

Foochow.

Conference Seminary	\$150
Medical Student	80
Salary, Dr. Hu King Eng....	450
City hospital expenses	500
Hospital assistant	50
Medical assistant	50
Instruments	50
Repairs	50
City property watchman	25
Orphanage	150
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Bible-women	130
Scholarships	130
Scholarships, Deaf and Dumb Department	50

N. Iong Bing, Scholarships, 3 at \$20

Total

Building Conference Seminary ..

Foochow total

North Japan.

<i>Sapporo</i> , Bible-woman	\$90
<i>Hakodate</i> , Miss Augusta Dickerson, salary	700
Miss Florence Singer, salary ..	750
Ground rent	30
Insurance	15
Repairs	50
Scholarships	360
Kindergarten teacher	215
Kindergarten assistant	75
Blind school	150
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Teacher, first and second grades	65
Repairs	25
Miss Hewett, home salary and return	475
North Japan total	\$3,000

Central Japan.

<i>Tokyo</i> , Miss M. A. Spencer, salary	700
Miss Maud Soper	550
Scholarships	480
Special teacher	250
Assistant	60
Day school visitor	75
Travel	40
Safe	25
Asakusa Day School	400
Bible-woman	90
<i>Yokohama</i> , Miss A. B. Slate	700
Mizukaido Bible-woman	90
Yokaichiba	90
<i>Nagoya</i> , Nishio, Bible-woman....	90
Tokiwa	50
Total, Central Japan.....	\$3,690

South Japan.

<i>Nagasaki</i> , Scholarships	\$200
<i>South Kinsui</i> , Mrs. Takamori ...	90
Mrs. Lugimoto	85
Total, South Japan	\$375

Korea.

<i>Seoul</i> , Scholarships	\$245
<i>Chong Dong</i> , Bible-woman, Han-nah	50

Hospital attendants	\$ 150
Insurance	20
Bible-woman, Mary Whang....	60
Salary, Miss Guthapfel	550
Miss Guthapfel's itinerating	25
<i>Tal Lung</i> , Bible-woman, Mrs. Ni	50
Home salary, Miss Pierce	350
Kang Syo Day School	50
<i>Pyeng Yang</i> , Bible-woman	50
Bible Institute	25
Dr. Esther Pak's itinerating....	50
Pong Wong Dong day school..	50
Salary, Dr. Esther K. Pak.....	240
Bible-woman, Laura Arner	
Home	50
<i>Chemulpo</i> , Gate man	25
Day school building	100
Miss Guthapfel's outgoing ex-	
penses	314
Total	\$2,454
Building in Chemulpo	\$1,500
Total for Korea	\$3,954
<i>Italy.</i>	
<i>Rome</i> , Creche (partial)	\$115
Scholarships	200
Total for Italy	\$315
<i>Bulgaria.</i>	
<i>Lovetch</i> , Miss Gatze Lookanova,	
salary	\$200
<i>Hotanza</i> , Teacher	80
Bible work	100
Total for Bulgaria	\$380
<i>Mexico.</i>	
<i>Mexico City</i> , Miss Alice M. Kurtz,	
salary	\$750
Scholarships	250
Miss H. Davela	210
Mexican Professor	360
Matron, Miss Gezman	240
<i>San Vincento</i> , Teacher, rent and	
school supplies	200
<i>Pueblo</i> , Miss A. R. Limberger,	
salary	550
Miss C. M. Purdy, salary	750
Miss Duarte, salary	240
Bible-woman	105
Teacher	350
Scholarships	250
Debt on new building	600
<i>Tetela</i> , Teacher	150
<i>Guanajuato</i> , Miss E. M. Dunmore,	
salary	750
Water tax and repairs	80
First assistant	200
Scholarships	100
Total for Mexico	\$6,135

<i>South America.</i>	
<i>Buenos Ayres</i> , Scholarships	\$83
Rent	200
	\$283
Debt in Montevideo	\$2,000
Total, South America	\$2,283
Branch contingent	\$1,400
Conditional	1,466
Grand total	\$51,000
SUMMARY.	
India	\$18,760
Malaysia	1,502
China	7,761
Korea	3,954
Japan	7,065
Mexico	6,135
South America	2,283
Bulgaria	380
Italy	315
Contingent	1,400
Conditional	1,446
	\$51,000

BALTIMORE BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Naini Tal</i> , Schools, teachers, con-	
veyance	\$103
<i>Dwarahat</i> Scholarships	\$42
Bible-women	60
Itinerating	25
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Bible-women	80
<i>Bareilly</i> , Orphans	135
<i>Moradabad</i> , Scholarships	120
<i>Lucknow</i> , R. E. Robinson	550
Isabel Hart scholarship	26
<i>Gonda</i> , Scholarships	120
Conveyance	60
Total for North India	\$1,311

North West India.

<i>Aligarh</i> , Bible-women	\$80
Conveyance	33
<i>Muttra</i> , Scholarships	120
Bible-women	80
Conveyance	33
Total for N. W. India	\$346

Bombay Conference.

<i>Bombay</i> , Scholarships	\$120
<i>Poona</i> , Frederick Rice Memorial	
Dispensary	140

Compounder and B. woman...	\$40
3 girls in training for Bible-women	120
1 girl in training for Nurse....	40
Jabalpur, Scholarship	20
Total for Bombay	\$480

South India.

Kolar, Orphans and scholarships.	\$260
Salary, Eva Peters (partial)....	45
Village schools	80
Debt on buildings	250
Raipur, First assistant	240
Conveyance	60
Orphans and scholarships	500
Medical attendance and medicines	85
To complete Lewe Foss memorial	2,062
Sironcha, Bible-women and teachers	80
Conveyance	30
Scholarships	80
Mrs. Gilder's evangelistic work	100
Haiderabad, City schools	80
Miss Ross	260
Miss Murray	220
Matron	100
Scholarships	60
Madras, Grace Stephens.....	400
Sooboonagam Ammal.....	124
Elizabeth	56
Orphans and scholarships.....	680
Guilford school and Bible-woman	65
Taxes	65
Vikerabad, Bible-women.....	72
Raichur, Scholarships	100
Rent (conditional)	200
Total for South India....	\$6,354

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships in Ewa school	\$280
Aogi day school	40
Chong No day school	40
In patients	20
E. A. Lewis' salary	700
E. A. Lewis' itinerating.....	100
Pyeng Yang, Bible-woman	50
Total for Korea.....	\$1,230

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	\$120
Pupil assitant	60
Akita Bible-woman	90
Total for North Japan....	\$270

Central Japan.

Tokyo, E. R. Bender's salary and return passage	\$600
Aoyama scholarships	240
Teacher of penmanship	60
Teacher of embroidery	75
Scholarship in industrial school	40
Yokohama, A. G. Lewis' salary and return passage	600
Fuel and lights	50
Poor school	120
Day school, visitor and travel..	175
Mrs. Draper's mother meetings	40
Wall and fence	350
Nagoya, Scholarship	40
Insurance	75
Assistant	75
Total for Central Japan ..	\$2,549

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholarships	\$120
Primary teacher	35
Total for South Japan...	\$155

North China.

Peking, Scholarships	\$150
Total for North China....	\$150

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Scholarships	\$100
Kiu Kiang, Scholarships	150
Total for Central China..	\$250

Foochow Conference.

Foochow Girls' boarding school...	\$240
Hospital Bible-woman	40
Medical students	80
Leper work	60
City hospital expenses	100
Medical student	40
Bible-woman	25
Mrs. S. A. Tippet	600
Orphans	300
Enlarging M. E. Crook orphanage	500
Ming Chiang, Training school ...	175
Dr. Carleton's hospital expenses and Bible-woman...	50
Ku Cheng, Day schools	200
Girls' boarding school.....	25
Publishing conference minutes.	10
Official expenses.....	20
Total for Foochow.....	\$2,465

Hing Hua Conference.

<i>Hing Hua</i> , Juliet Turner Woman's school	\$300
Juliet Turner scholarship	20
<i>Sieng Lu</i> , Isabel Hart school	100
Total for <i>Hing Hua</i>	\$420

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Miss Mando	\$95
<i>Crêche</i>	35
Total for <i>Italy</i>	\$130

Mexico.

<i>Mexico</i> , Orphanage	\$100
Total for <i>Mexico</i>	\$100

SUMMARY.

North India	\$1,311
Northwest India	346
Bombay	480
South India	6,354
Korea	1,230
North Japan	270
Central Japan	2,540
South Japan	155
North China	150
Central China	250
Foochow	2,465
<i>Hing Hua</i>	420
<i>Italy</i>	130
<i>Mexico</i>	100
Total	\$16,201

Easter Offering (included).

Raipur Home for Missionaries..	\$2,062
Foochow, enlarging orphanage..	500

Total

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

North India Conference.

<i>Naini Tal</i> , Sending out Miss Waugh	\$260
<i>Bareilly</i> , Orphanage	240
Village work (Miss Tucker)....	100
Evangelistic work	240
<i>Sitapur</i> , First assistant	180
Second assistant	750
Scholarships	320
District work	240
<i>Shahjahanpur</i> , First assistant	180
Second assistant	750
Scholarships	100
Rethatching bungalow	

<i>Moradabad</i> , Miss Alice Means....	\$325
Scholarships	300
Itinerating	100
<i>Budaon</i> , First assistant	240
<i>Bijnour</i> , Scholarships	135
New building	275
<i>Lucknow</i> , Miss Hoge	325
Miss Cartwright	500
Persian teacher	100
Secretary	200
Miss Blackstock	150
Scholarships	260
High school assistants (first and second grade).....	480
Repairs	130
<i>Home for Homeless Women</i> , Assistant	240
Matron and teachers	240
Repairs and putting in water..	170
Home salary of Miss Hardie..	350
<i>Gonda</i> , Miss Fannie Scott	325
Repairs and medicines.....	35
First assistant	200
Scholarships	385
Evangelistic work, assistant....	200
Itinerating and conveyance....	260
Nawabganj and Colonelganj....	210
Contingent expenses	390
Conditional	615

Total for North India..\$10,500

North West India Conference.

<i>Cawnpore</i> , Second assistant	\$200
Muttra B. School	230
<i>Medical Work</i> , Dr. Emma Scott..	600
Medicines	334
Hospital assistant	150
Compounder and servants	64
Nurse	34
Six hospital beds.....	120
<i>Zenana Work</i> , Repairs.....	25
Itinerating and rescue work....	60
Conveyances	75
Evangelistic teachers	750
Summer schools	150
Boarding school	230
<i>Zenana work</i>	100
Conditional	1,000

Total for North West India

Bombay Conference.

<i>Poona</i> , Mrs. S. M. Eddy	\$500
Evangelistic work	260
Dr. Annie Norton	650
<i>Baroda</i> , Orphans.....	260

Total for Bombay.....\$1,670

South India Conference.

<i>Kolar</i> , Scholarships	\$ 340
Tax and interest on debt.....	308

Raipur, Rent	\$160
Assistant	220
Munshi and matron	240
Scholarships	120
<i>Sironcha</i> , Land tax and scholar- ships	60
New missionary (conditional)..	500
<i>Vikarabad</i> , Scholarships and land tax	200
Bible-women	48
<i>Raichur</i> , Scholarships	150
Mrs. Ernsberger's itinerating..	50
<i>Bangalore</i> , Schools and Bible- women	250

Total for South India....\$2,676

Bengal Conference.

<i>Calcutta</i> , Schools and Bible- women	\$ 950
<i>Pakur Dispensary</i> , Conveyance....	200
Orphans	280
Repairs	60
<i>Tamluk</i> , Miss Blair	325
Bible-women and teacher.....	225
Scholarships and added esti- mates	350
<i>Darjeeling</i> , Miss Wisner's salary.	600

Total for Bengal.....\$2,990

Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Miss Norris	\$72
Scholarships	240
Taxes	72
<i>Kuala Lumpur</i> , Miss Anderson....	450
Teacher	40
Evangelistic work	140
Conference expenses	50
Contingencies	30
<i>Penang</i> , Teacher and rent	300
Indebtedness	100

Total for Malaysia.....\$1,494

Manila.

Two scholarships	\$80
Taxes and repairs	120

Total for Manila

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Scholarships	\$420
Contingent	330
<i>Tientsin</i> , Miss Shockley	750

Total for North China....\$1,500

West China.

DeWitt Memorial Home for Bi- ble-women	\$1,600
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Total for West China....\$1,600

Foochow Conference.

Miss Jewell, salary and home- coming	\$1,000
Woman's Training School....	150
Bible-women	120
Completing school building....	350
Miss Bonafield	600
Scholarships	480
Medical students	80

Total for Foochow.....\$2,780

Hing Hua Conference.

Hamilton Girls' School	\$160
Leper day school	200
Day schools and traveling.....	500
Bible-women	400
<i>Sieng In</i> , Woman's School.....	400
Day schools	420
Bible-women and traveling....	400
Isabel Hart's school	140
Miss Lebeus, salary	450
Contingent	350

Total for Hing Hua.....\$3,420

Korea.

<i>Ewa Haktang</i> , Scholarships	\$480
Gatemen	50
Books and stationery.....	50
Miss Lulu Frey	750
<i>Chong Dong</i> , Hester, Bible-woman	50
Susanna, Bible-woman	50
<i>Women's Hospital</i> , Miss M. J. Ed, munds	700
<i>Baldwin Dispensary</i> , Repairs	75
Bible-woman	50
Gateman	50
Fuel	75
Insurance	125
Drugs and instruments	225
Day school	40
Dispensary servants	75
Dr. Emma Ernsberger.....	750
<i>Pyeng Yang</i> , Insurance	75
Bible-women	50
<i>Chemulpo</i> , Miss Mary Hillman....	750
Miss Mary Hillman, itinerating	50
Priscilla, Bible-woman.....	50
Day school building	100
Freight and duty	50
Mrs. Cable, itinerating.....	25

Total for Korea.....\$4,695

North Japan.

<i>Sappora</i> , Miss Alexander, salary	\$550
Rent and repairs	300
Land and building	1,000
District Bible-woman	90
Travel of superintendent	100

<i>Hakodati</i> , Scholarships	\$160
<i>Shinano</i> , District Bible-women and traveling	260

Total for North Japan...\$2,460

Central Japan.

<i>Tokyo</i> , Miss Bing, salary	\$700
Scholarships	200
Sewing and etiquette.....	130
Matron	50
Drawing	60
Sunday-School work and mother's meetings	50
<i>Harrison Memorial</i> , Sewing teacher	50
<i>Nagoya</i> , Sewing and penmanship.....	85

Total for Central Japan...\$1,325

Southern Japan.

<i>Kwassui Jo Gakko</i> , Miss E. Russell	\$750
Miss L. M. Kidwell.....	750
Miss Hettie A. Thomas.....	550
Miss Young's home salary.....	350
Science teacher	200
Scholarships	560
Translation	100
Chinese literature	75
Ground rent	175
Insurance	175
Art department	250
Industrial department	120
Dispensary	100
Repairs	300
Scholarships	580
<i>Eiwa Jo Gakko</i> , Miss Leonora	
Seeds	700
Teachers' salaries	800
Scholarships	240
Insurance	120
District travel and literature.....	130
City Sunday-Schools	20
Miss Omura, Bible-woman.....	100
Mrs. Saruta	100
Miss Mazuta	60
Miss Saruta	80
Miss Matzenoba	80
Miss Takanaka	50

Total for Southern Japan...\$7,495

Africa.

Miss <i>Virginia Swormstedt</i> , Outfit, passage and opening new work	\$2,000
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Total for Africa

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Miss H. L. Ayres..	\$750
Miss Carreon	210
Miss Velasco	200

French teacher	\$90
Street and water tax	140
Porter	210
Cook	75
Treasurer's expenses	60
<i>Puebla</i> , Miss A. Palacois	500
Music teacher	120
Porter	140
Taxes	240
Repairs	180
Debt on building	200
<i>Orizaba</i> , Miss Magno	210
School supplies	100

Total for Mexico

DeWitt Memorial

Total for Branch

\$54,402

SUMMARY.

India	\$22,008
Malaysia	1,494
Manila	200
China	9,300
Korea	4,695
Japan	11,280
Mexico	3,425
Africa	2,000
DeWitt Memorial	1,600

Total

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Dwarahat</i> , Second assistant	\$160
Scholarships	180
Bible-women	60
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Miss Boyd	240
Medical assistant and medicines	180
Second assistant	200
Woman's Home	50
Scholarships	360
Bible-woman	30
<i>Bareilly</i> , Scholarships	525
Dr. Lewis	650
Assistant	200
Medical work and repairs	550
Support of nine beds	180
Trained nurses	80
Medical scholarships	40
Bible-woman	30
New closets	50
<i>Pauri</i> , Second assistant	220
Scholarships	200
Medical scholarship	40
Bible-women	350
Medical woman	60
Medicines and itinerating	100
<i>Moradabad</i> , Assistant	240
Scholarships	375
Training class	100
Circuit and village work.....	140

District work	\$400
Munshis and itinerating	60
Budaon, Miss Wright	500
Second assistant	200
Scholarships	225
Miss Wilson	650
Schools and village work	375
Bijnour, First assistant	240
Scholarships	225
Bible-women	95
Lucknow, Miss Singh	650
Miss Brouse	650
Miss Northrup	500
Traveling expenses	300
High school assistant	240
Winslow scholarships	75
Support of blind women	75
Isabella Thoburn College.....	1,000

Total for North India ..\$12,050

Northwest India.

Phalera, Miss Greene	\$600
Assistant	110
Allahabad, Scholarships	525
Cawnpore, Mrs. Worthington	325
Land rent and taxes.....	50
Scholarships	450
Village and mohulla work.....	225
Day schools	70
Building debts	500
Meerut, Bible-readers	575
Scholarships	20
Aligarh, Scholarships	3,000
Industrial scholarships	795
Widows	495
Repairs	20
Mrs. Matthews	325
Miss Murray	220
Muttra, Land rent and repairs...	100
English scholarships	180
Hindustani scholarships	345
Munshis and incidentals	80
Bible-women	40
Evangelistic work	50
Second assistant	200
Zenana assistant	220
Brindaban, Assistant	200

Total for Northwest India ..\$9,720

South India.

Kolar, Miss Fisher	\$400
Miss Woods	400
Miss Grace Peters	250
Assistant	180
Munshis	40
Matron	200
Conveyance	200
Scholarships	900
Orphanage	1,000
Madras Miss Doyle	260
Miss Z. Doyle	260

Scholarships	\$400
Bible-women	120
Conveyance	100

Total for South India...\$4,720

Bombay

Bombay, Miss Chovey	\$160
Teachers	200
Assistant	200
Bible-women and conveyances.	225
Scholarships	800
Taxes and insurance	125
Poona, Assistant	250
Matron	100
Miss Bennett	350
Taxes	90
Property (conditional)	1,000
Godhra, Miss Abbott	325
House expenses	100
Scholarships	500
Assistant	180
Matron	240
Conveyance	100

Total for Bombay\$4,945

Bengal.

Asansol, Miss Forster	\$600
Miss Verneaux	160
Miss Hoskins	160
Miss Moore	160
Scholarships	1,200
Bible-women	60
Itinerating	20
Calcutta, Orphanage scholarships.	360
Rent and incidentals	400
Mrs. Lee's Bible-women.....	100
Darjeeling, Miss McKinley	600
Property (conditional).....	1,000
Mazafferpur, Miss Peters' outfit,	
passage money and salary.	1,000
Furniture	100
Scholarships	800
Assistant	260
Matron	200
Bible-women	120
Repairs	100
Interest and taxes	200
Conveyances	100

Total for Bengal\$7,700

Burma.

Rangoon, Miss Stahl	\$600
Total for Burma.....	\$600

Malaysia.

Singapore, Matron	\$ 145
Scholarships	100

Contingencies	\$100
New Missionary (conditional)..	800
Interest	130
<i>Penang</i> , Miss Jackson.....	600
Total for Malaysia.....	\$1,875

*China.**North China.*

<i>Peking</i> , Dr. Gloss	\$650
Miss Wheeler	550
Furniture	100
Scholarships	450
<i>Tientsin</i> , Dr. Martin	750
Miss Martin	750
Medical work	175
<i>Ch'ang Li</i> , Country work	100
<i>Shou Tung</i> , Miss Steere	650
Scholarships	330
Day-schools	50
Training-school	40
Repairs	100
Total for North China ..	\$4,695

Central China.

<i>Chin Kiang</i> , Miss Robinson	\$600
Scholarships	200
Bible-woman	40
New missionary outfit, passage and salary	1,000
<i>Nan King</i> , Miss Peters	600
Miss Rowley	600
Miss Shaw	600
Mrs. Davis, home salary.....	350
Scholarships	500
Woman's training-school	300
Bible-women	80
Day-schools	80
New missionary	800
<i>Kiu Kiang</i> Miss Howe	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Pierce	600
Miss Pierce	600
Miss Merrill, home salary	225
Miss Merrill, traveling expenses	300
Scholarships	350
Woman's training-school	300
Medical work	600
<i>Nan Chang</i> , Dr. Kahn	450
Total for Central China..	\$10,325

West China.

<i>Chung King</i> , Miss Decker	\$450
Miss Jones	450
Scholarships	260
Repairs and insurance	60
Woman's training-school	80
Teacher	20
Bible-women and itinerating ..	60
<i>Hospital</i> , Medicines	400

Instruments	\$50
Furniture	150
Nurses	50
Hospital beds	60
Incidentals	100
Bungalow	250
<i>Chentu</i> , Scholarships	80
Bible-woman	30
Day-school	30
Insurance	20
Building	1,000

Total for West China ...\$3600

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> Boarding-school	\$220
Seminary-scholarships	50
Insurance	65
Hospital repairs	150
Dr. Lyon	600
Incidentals	150
Hospital expenses	950
Orphans	270
Hospital evangelistic work ...	50
Day-schools and traveling ...	400
<i>Ming Chiang</i> , Miss Peters	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Longstreet	600
Training-school	125
Day-schools and traveling ...	300
Bible-women	280
Furniture	150
Insurance	50
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Romanized class ...	300
Scholarships	280
<i>North Iong Bing</i> , Scholarships ...	400
Woman's training-school	100
Day-schools and traveling	150
Bible-women	200
<i>South Iong Bing</i> , Day-schools and traveling	150
<i>Ngu Cheng</i> , Dr. Masters	600
Incidentals	150
Hospital expenses	500
Repairs and insurance	75
<i>Miscellaneous</i> , Publishing Confer- ence Minutes	15
Boatman	30
Total for Foochow	\$8,110

Hing Hua.

<i>Hing Hua</i> , Miss Wilson	\$450
Miss Westcott	450
Scholarships	160
Bible-women	175
New missionary, outfit, travel- ing expenses and salary ...	1,000
<i>Sieng lu</i> , Scholarships	20
Boarding school	300
<i>Ing Chung</i> , Woman's training- school	300
Day-schools and Bible-women..	125

Total for Hing Hua ...\$2,980

Philippines.

Manila, Scholarships	\$40
Taxes and repairs	50
Total for Manila	\$90

Korea.

Seoul, Repairs	\$250
Insurance	175
Fuel	175
Scholarships	280
Visiting nurse	50
Pyeong Yang, Day-school	60
Total for Korea	\$990

North Japan.

Hakodate, Scholarships	\$240
Teacher of mathematics	270
Teacher of science	145
Teacher of preparatory	145
Hirosaki, Kindergarten teacher ..	125
Odate poor-school	30
Total for North Japan ..	\$955

Central Japan.

Sendai, Miss Heaton	\$700
District work	100
Aoyama, Miss Alling	700
Repairs	150
Watchman	55
Scholarships	680
Chinese teacher	270
Literature teacher	100
Translation teacher	200
Music teacher	215
English teacher	200
Primary teacher	115
Assistant teacher	60
Special teacher	200
Fukagawa, Day school	400
Yokohama, Mrs. Van Petten	700
Fuel and lights	150
Repairs	100
Books, tracts and travel	90
Scholarships	280
Theology teacher	180
Music teacher	80
Sewing and etiquette teacher	90
Day schools	700
Publication work	75
Nagoya, Repairs	75
Mathematics teacher	200
Science teacher	200
Music teacher	110
Bible-woman, First church	90
Bible-woman, Toyohashi	90
City work	40
Total for Central Japan ..	\$7,395

South Japan.

Nagasaki, Miss Melton, home-sal-ary, one-half year	\$180
Mathematics teacher	400
Primary teachers	50
Bible school assistant	100
City work	150
Scholarships	200
Miss Melton's traveling expen-ses	250
Fukuoka, Miss Seeds	700
Teachers	100
Bible-woman, Mrs. Sakomoto	75
Bible-woman, Mrs. Tenda	80
Bible-woman, Miss Saruta	85
Scholarships	280
Repairs	120
Book and industrial fund	50
Matron and night watchman	100
Total for South Japan ..	\$2,920

Mexico.

Mexico City, Scholarships	\$300
Kindergarten	400
Doctor and medicines	75
Miraflores, Sewing and drawing teacher	100
Rent, furniture and supplies ..	140
Apizaco, School and supplies ..	425
Pachuca, Miss Bohanon	750
Miss Hewitt	750
Miss Camarillo	200
Miss Lopez	170
Miss Garcia	170
Miss Rascon	170
Music teacher	160
Repairs	100
Scholarships	100
School and dormitory supplies ..	200
Porter	115
Puebla, Normal teacher	250
Kindergarten teacher	200
Scholarships	200
Dormitory supplies	25
Guanajuato, Kindergarten and sew-ing teacher	180
Primary teacher	180
Scholarships	150
School supplies	85
Porter	90
School furniture	200
Tlaxcala, School and supplies ..	225
Tetela, School and supplies	350
Leon, Bible-woman	50
Scholarship	50
Total for Mexico	\$6,560
<i>South America.</i>	
Montevideo, Miss Hewitt	\$750
New missionary	1,000
Assistants	1,000
Scholarships	200

Taxes and repairs	\$300
Porter	100
Interest	120
Buenos Aires, Rent	500
Scholarships	100
Rosario, Scholarships	500
Teachers	900
Lima, Miss Anderson's traveling expenses	250
Total for South America.....	\$5,720

Bulgaria.

Lovetch, Dora Davis	\$600
Miss Blackburn, home salary, one-half year	180
Miss Blackburn, traveling expenses	150
Miss Raichera	330
Miss Dobrera	110
Assistants	340
Traveling expenses	50
Incidentals and repairs	150
Books and apparatus	50
Scholarships	240
Village teacher	80
Total for Bulgaria	\$2,280

Italy.

Rome, Crandon Hall, Miss Vickery, traveling expenses and home salary	\$500
Miss Swift	600
Scholarships	200
Property	2,000
Via Garibaldi, Miss De Lord	500
Miss Odgers	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Diem	350
Assistant	100
Scholarships	300
Teachers	550
Taxes and insurance	200
Repairs	200
Total for Italy	\$6,250

Switzerland.

Bible-women and work	\$150
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North Germany.

Bible-women and work	125
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Africa.

Quessua, Scholarships	\$200
Contingent	5,145
Grand total	\$110,000

SUMMARY.

North India	\$12,050
North West India	9,720
South India	4,720
Bombay	4,945
Bengal	7,700
Burma	600
Malaysia	1,875
North China	4,695
Central China	10,325
West China	3,600
Foochow	8,110
Hing Hua	2,980
Philippines	90
Korea	990
North Japan	955
Central Japan	7,395
South Japan	2,920
Mexico	6,560
South America	5,720
Italy	6,250
Bulgaria	2,280
Switzerland	150
North Germany	125
Africa	200
Contingent	5,145
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	\$110,100

DES MOINES BRANCH.

North India.

Pithoragarh	\$400
Pauri	280
Bareilly	210
Budaon	375
Shajahanpur	300
Lucknow, Miss Sircar	300
Moradabad	120
Moradabad, third assistant	200
Bijnour, Scholarships	45
Total for North India.....	\$2,230

North West India.

Phalera, Scholarships	\$45
Cawnpore, Miss Lawson, salary ..	600
Miss Lauck, return and home salary	600
Miss Pool, outfit, passage, salary	900
Scholarships	240
Kasganj, District	794
Meerut, second assistant	180
Scholarships	360
Aligarh, Miss Bobenhouse	600
Bible-women, city work	54
Conveyance	31
Bible-women village work.....	100
Conveyance	61
Mutra, Miss Gregg	325
Assistant	213
Bible-women in training	200

Scholarships	\$105
Bible-women	150

Total for N. W. India...\$5,561

Bombay.

Basim, Miss Miller	\$600
Rent	160
Jabalpur, Miss Hyde, home salary	350
Scholarships	4,360
Evangelistic	240
Khandwa, Evangelistic	356
Scholarships	1,200
Miss Elicker	600
Assistant	200
Building	2,000
Narsinghpur	240
Godhra, Scholarships	400

Total for Bombay\$10,706

South India.

Haiderabad, Miss Wood	\$600
Miss Evans	600
Conveyance	200
Miss Smith (city school)	220
Miss Partridge	260
Miss Birt	220
Matron	100
Conveyance	50
Munshis	98
Scholarships	1,260
Repairs	100
Building	3,000
Kolar, Miss Maskell	400
Bible-women	100
Conveyance	160
Scholarships	400
Miss Eva Peters	75
Munshi	19
Debt	200

Vikerabad, Miss Wells	600
Assistant	200
Scholarships	380
House Rent	100
Bible-women	72
Purchase and keep of conveyances	200

Total for South India ...\$9,614

Burma.

Rangoon, Miss Foster	\$600
Scholarships, Burmese School..	80
Land revenue	100
Evangelistic, Miss Grace Stockwell, salary	600
Miss Luella Rigby, salary.....	600
Thandaung, Miss Perkins, salary..	600
Scholarships	280

Total for Burma\$2,860

Bengal.

Calcutta, Miss Henkle	\$300
Miss Stumpf	600
Pakur, Scholarships	300

Total for Bengal\$1,200

North China.

Peking, Miss Wilson, salary	\$650
Scholarships	360
Tientsin	360
Woman's work	40

Total for North China ..\$1,410

Central China.

Kiu Kiang, Dr. Stone, salary	\$450
Scholarships	250
Medical	500
Nan Chang, Miss Ogborn, salary.	600
Incidentals	150
Miss Beard	600
Scholarships	500
Bible-women	80
Furniture for Home	200
Land	75

Total for Central China..\$3,405

West China.

Chung King, Miss Galloway	\$450
Dr. Edmonds	450
Miss Manning	450
Scholarships	220
Medicine	300
Bedding and clothing	200
Hospital beds	45
Incidentals	85

Total for West China...\$2,200

Foochow.

Miss Wilkinson, return and home salary	\$750
Scholarships	400
Bible-women	60
Orphans	60
Miss Hu, passage	250
Miss Ding, passage (in part)..	75
Ngn Cheng, Miss Trimble, passage and salary	600
Miss Allen, salary	600
Miss Mabel Sia, salary	120
Woman's School	400
Bible-women	336
Romanized	200
Day schools and travel	420
Girls' Boarding School	900
Repairs	100
Insurance	35
Hai Tang, Bible-women	120

Day schools and travel	\$160
Miss Glassburner, outfit, pas- sage, salary	600
Building (conditional)	250
Total for Foochow	\$6,436

North Japan.

<i>Hakodate</i>	\$120
Teacher	145
Teacher	115
Teacher	145
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Miss Southard, salary and incidentals	750
Home repairs	25
Assistant	130
Assistant	360
Miss Griffiths, salary	700
Evangelistic	90
Travel, District Superintendent.	75
Total for North Japan	\$2,655

Central Japan.

<i>Sendai</i> , Miss Phelps, salary	\$750
Interest and taxes	80
Insurance	40
Repairs	75
Scholarships	400
Teachers and supplies	300
Bible-woman Yonezawa	30
Bible-woman Sakuyama	90
<i>Aoyama</i> , Miss Daniel, home sal- ary	350
Scholarships	280
Teacher	235
<i>Tokiva</i>	50
Total for Central Japan	\$2,680

Africa.

<i>Quessua</i>	\$150
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Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Orphanage, scholarships...	\$200
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Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i>	\$200
Light	140
<i>Ayapango</i> , Miss Concha Estrada..	174
Assistant	70
Rent and supplies	50
Bible-woman	70
<i>Tezontepec</i> , Teacher and supplies.	300
<i>Puebla</i>	200
<i>Orizaba</i> , Rent	150
Total for Mexico	\$1,354

SUMMARY.

North India	\$2,230
North West India	5,561

Bombay	\$10,706
South India	9,614
Bengal	1,200
Burma	2,860
North China	1,410
Central China	3,405
West China	2,200
Foochow	6,438
Japan	5,335
Italy	200
Mexico	1,354
Africa	150
Contingent	2,339
Grand total	\$55,000

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pithoragarh</i> , scholarships	\$20
<i>Barcilly</i> , Scholarships	120
<i>Bijnour</i> , scholarships	40
<i>Budaon</i> , scholarships	180
<i>Gonda</i> , scholarships	120
<i>Paori</i> , scholarships	80
Share in Lucknow Deaconess..	
Home	50
1 scholarship in Home	32
Total for North India	\$822

North West India.

<i>Ajmer</i> , scholarships	\$220
<i>Allahabad</i> , 3 scholarships	45
<i>Cawnpore</i> , 1 scholarship in High School	40
<i>Mutra</i> , 1 Deaconess	300
Mutra Boarding School schol- arships	90
2 teachers in training school..	60
Scholarships in training school.	80
<i>Lahore</i> , Bible reader	124
Itinerating	50
2 Jinrikshaws	50
4 Day schools	32
<i>Roorkee</i> , 10 Bible-women	194
Evangelistic work	8
Itinerating	34
Conveyance for itinerating	34
1 Day school	12
<i>Mussoori</i> , 8 Bible-women	52
Rent and teacher	40
Itinerating	10
Total for N. W. India	\$1,475

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , 3 Day school	\$150
Miss Ghy	240
Scholarships	240
Evangelistic	56
Hindustani	128
<i>Jabalpur</i> , 2 scholarships	40
<i>Godhra</i> , 1 scholarship	20
Total for Bombay	\$854

South India.

<i>South India</i> , scholarships	\$140
Balance on debt	100
Total for South India	\$240

Bengal.

<i>Bengal</i> , Miss Jacobson's salary...	\$325
Excess of baggage	25
6 scholarships	120
5 widows	50
<i>Mazafertpur</i> , scholarship	20
Isabella Meik Memorial Home.	400
Total for Bengal	\$940

Burma.

<i>Burma</i> , Scholarships	\$40
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Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Miss Blackmore's salary	\$450
Repairs on home	50
Scholarships	280
1 teacher	180
1 teacher	150
1 teacher	150
1 teacher	60
Bible training school teacher...	60
5 scholarships in training school	100
Conveyance	120
Incidentals	24
Contingencies	50
<i>Penang</i> , Miss Martin's salary and traveling expenses	700
Miss Ellis, home salary	300
Miss Olson's salary	450
Miss Olson's Vernacular teacher	48
Finance com. and Conference transit	50
Matron for Girl's Dormitory...	90
20 scholarships	200
3d standard teacher	120
Assistant in Miss Martin's absence	100
Caretaker's salary	60
2 Chinese Bible-women	48
Conference Minutes	10
Interest on land	120
School building	500
<i>Taipeng</i> , Drains and repairs	350
Total for Malaysia	\$4,820

CHINA.

West China.

<i>Chung King</i> , 3 scholarships.....	\$60
1 day school	50
Medicines	100

Hospital helpers	\$50
Support of beds	50

Total for West China ... \$310

Central China.

<i>Central China</i> , scholarships	\$50
Anna Stone's traveling	250
Anna Stone's support	225

Total for Central China .. \$525

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Woman's training school	\$40
Romanized class	100
Girl's boarding school	160
3 medical students	100
1 orphan	30
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Miss Rouse's salary....	600
Incidentals	150
Day schools and traveling	100
Bible-woman	40
Girls' boarding school	620
2 deaf and dumb pupils	50
Repairs	30
Balance on laundry	175
New missionary traveling expenses and salary	750

Total for Foochow\$2,945

Hing Hua.

<i>Hing Hua</i> , scholarships	\$140
<i>Siang Lu</i> , scholarships	200
Conference expenses	20
Miss Nicolaisen's salary and traveling	600
New missionary, traveling and salary	600

Total for Hing Hua.....\$1,560

Korea.

<i>Korea</i> , 1 native teacher	\$60
2 scholarships	80
1 Bible-woman	50

Total for Korea

<i>North Japan</i> , scholarships	\$120
<i>Central Japan</i> , Miss Blackstock's salary and traveling	750
Miss Lee, first year's salary....	550
Watchman	35
10 scholarships	400
8 teachers	475
Matron	50
Publication	20

Total for Central Japan...\$2,280

Bulgaria.

<i>Bulgaria</i> , 2 scholarships	\$40
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South America.

<i>South America</i> , 1 normal student.	\$100
Grand total	\$17,261

SUMMARY.

India	\$4,371
China	5,340
Malaysia	4,820
Korea	190
Japan	2,400
Bulgaria	40
S. America	100
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	\$17,261

TOPEKA BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Dwarahat</i> , scholarships	\$100
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , scholarships	100
Bible-women	30
<i>Pauri</i> , scholarships	360
Bible-women	50
<i>Budaon</i> , scholarships	195
<i>Lucknow</i> , Bible-women	70
<i>Sitapur</i> , Bible-women	150
<i>Rai Bareilly</i> , Bible-women.....	250

Total for North India....\$1,305

North West India.

<i>Ajmer</i> , scholarships	\$1,020
Evangelist	80
City Bible-woman	40
District Bible-women	250
<i>Phalera</i> , scholarships	795
Woman's school	60
Repairs	65
Bible-women	80
<i>Cawnpore</i> , scholarships	90
<i>Meerut</i> , Howard Plested school...	900
Miss Livermore, salary	600
Miss Winslow, salary	600
Bible readers	650
<i>Agra</i> , scholarships	40
<i>Aligarh</i> , Bible readers	120
Conveyance	34
<i>Muttra</i> , scholarships	120
Miss McKnight, salary	325
<i>Lahore</i> , Bible readers	40

Total for N. W. India....\$5,909

South India.

<i>Bangalore</i> , Miss Montgomery, salary	\$600
Bible readers	100
Rent	400
Furniture	200
<i>Kolar</i> , scholarships	240
Assistant	60

<i>Raipur</i> , Rent	\$160
Bible readers	80
Scholarships	80
<i>Sironcha</i> , Assistant	200
Munshi	40
Conveyance	50

Total for South India ...\$2,210

Bombay.

<i>Baroda</i> , scholarships	\$80
Medical work	600
Dr. Tuttle, salary	600
<i>Godhra</i> , scholarships	180

Total for Bombay\$1,460

Bengal.

<i>Calcutta</i> , Beg Bagan	\$80
Jaugraam	40
Akra	40
Bible readers	40
Traveling expenses	20
Kiddepur Bible-readers	40
Parkur building	400
Kiddepur Bible-readers	40

Total for Bengal\$700

Burma.

<i>Rangoon</i> , Miss Stockwell's salary.	\$600
Scholarships	80
Land rent	100
Building	3,000

Total for Burma\$3,780

Malaysia.

<i>Penang</i> , Matron for Rescue Home	\$150
<i>Manila</i> , Miss Spaulding, salary...	750
Contingent	100
Taxes	50

Total for Malaysia\$1,050

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , scholarships	\$120
Foochow Seminary scholarship.	25
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , scholarships	400
Bible-readers	170

Total for Foochow\$715

Hing Hua.

<i>Hing Hua</i> , Miss Varney, home salary and return	\$600
Scholarships	500
Building (conditional)	500

Total for Hing Hua.....\$1,600

North China.

<i>Tientsin</i> , Dr. Stevenson's salary..	\$650
Scholarships	180
Medical work	175
Total for North China..	\$1,005

Central China.

<i>Ching Kiang</i> , Scholarships	\$175
<i>Nang King</i> , Bible-women	80
Itinerating	60
<i>Kiu Kiang</i> , Scholarships	250
Bible reader	40
Total for Central China..	\$605

Japan.

North Japan.

<i>Sapporo, Otaru</i> , Bible reader	\$90
District Sunday School.....	10
City work	10
Miss Imhof, home salary and return	600
<i>Hakodate</i> , Scholarships	240
Sunday School, rent	35
<i>Morioka</i> , Bible-reader	30
Total for North Japan..	\$1,015

Central Japan.

<i>Tokyo Aoyama</i> , Scholarships	\$160
Penmanship Teacher	80
<i>Yokohama</i> , Scholarships	80
<i>Nagoya</i> , Miss Watson, salary ...	700
School apparatus	60
Total for Central Japan ..	\$1,080

South America.

<i>Rosario</i> , Scholarships	\$400
Assistant	240
Repairs and taxes	200
School supplies	30
Furniture	50
Cook	180
Miss Swaney, salary	750
Matron	450
Interest	500
Total for South America..	\$2,800

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Scholarship	\$100
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SUMMARY.

North India	\$1,305
Northwest India	5,900
South India	2,210
Bombay	1,460

Bengal	\$700
Burma	3,780
Malaysia	1,050
North China	1,005
Central China	605
Foochow	715
Hing Hua	1,600
Japan	2,095
South America	2,800
Italy	100

Total	\$25,484
Contingent	666

Grand total	\$26,000
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PACIFIC BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Naini Tal</i> , Bible-women	\$100
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Scholars	200
<i>Pauri</i> , Scholars	160
<i>Bijnour</i> , Scholars	60
<i>Bareilly</i> , Scholars	150
<i>Budaon</i> , Scholars	180
<i>Gonda</i> , Scholars	150
<i>Hardoi</i> , Scholars	195
Mrs. Parker's intinerating ...	30
<i>Sitapur</i> , Scholars	120
Second assistant	180
<i>Lucknow</i> , Inspectress	60
<i>Barabanki</i> , Bible-women	50
<i>Moradabad</i> , Scholars	60

Total for North India ..	\$1,695
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Northwest India.

<i>Ajmer</i> , Miss Holman's salary ...	\$600
First assistant	200
Second assistant	180
Scholarships	1,230
Dr. Beck's salary	600
Assistant	50
Medicines	200
Itinerating	25
Conveyances	65
Bible Readers	40
Miss Mark's salary	600
Itinerating	50
Bible Readers	250
<i>Phalera</i> , Assistant	110
Scholarships	1,350
Widows	300
<i>Allahabad</i> , Scholars	90
<i>Cawnpore</i> , Scholars	285
<i>Meerut</i> , Bible Readers	80
<i>Roorkee</i> , Bible Readers	55
<i>Lahore</i> , Bible Readers	100

Total for Northwest India	\$6,460
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South India.

<i>Kolar</i> , Orphanage Building	\$250
Scholars	100

Madras, Scholars	\$100
Raipur, Bible Readers	52
Workers' Home (conditional) ..	500
Raichur, Bible Readers	75

Total for South India.....\$1,077

Bombay.

Kampti, Mrs. Butterfield's salary ..	\$220
Evangelistic work	185
Day schools	160

Total for Bombay

Bengal.

Pakur, Scholars	\$500
Darjeeling, Building (conditional) ..	1,000

Total for Bengal

Burma.

Rangoon, Girls' school	\$280
Burmese school	200
Thandaung, Orphans	80

Total for Burma

Philippine Islands.

Manila, Miss Parke's salary	\$750
Scholars	80

Total for Manila

Central China.

Chin Kiang, Dr. Taft's salary	\$600
Medical work	150
Scholars	100

Total for Central China ..

Foochow.

Foochow, Orphans	\$60
Kindergarten	150
Foochow, New missionary	900
Hai Tang, B. W. and building... ..	144
Iong Bing, Bible-women	200

Total for Foochow

North China.

Peking, Scholars	\$60
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Central Japan.

Nagoya, Miss Holbrook's salary.. ..	\$750
Bible-woman	80
Yokohama, Bible-woman	30

Total for Central Japan.. ..

North Japan.

Hirosaki, Sunday schools	\$30
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South Japan.

Nagasaki, Scholars	\$80
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Korea.

Seoul, Scholars	\$70
Chemulpo, Bible-woman, Eunice.. ..	50

Total for Korea

West Africa.

Quessua, Miss Collins' salary ..	\$400
Orphans	50
Cistern	300

Total for Africa

Norway.

Christiana, Mrs. Newman's Bible-woman	\$50
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Mexico.

Pachuca, Scholars	\$100
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SUMMARY.

North India	\$1,695
Northwest India	6,460
Bombay	565
Bengal	1,500
Burma	560
South India	1,077
Central China	850
Foochow	1,454
North China	60
Japan	890
South Japan	80
Korea	120
West Africa	750
Norway	50
Mexico	100
Philippine Islands	830

Total

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

North India.

Dwarahat, Scholarships	\$40
Pithoragarh, Scholarships	60
Budaon, Scholarships	90
Bareilly, Scholarships	75
Lucknow, Mrs. Ward	160
Gonda, Pupils and teachers.....	105

Total for North India ..

Northwest India.

Aligarh, Scholarships	\$180
Multra, Scholarships	45
Mcerut, Scholarships	450
Cawnpore, Debt	50

Total for Northwest India. \$725

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , Scholarships	\$100
<i>Baroda</i> , Orphanage	40
<i>Godhra</i> , Orphanage	80
<i>Gujarat</i> , Village work	1,100
Miss Holmes	325
Total for Bombay	\$1,645

Malaysia.

<i>Singapore</i> , Miss Lilly	\$450
Conveyance	120
New carriage (conditional) ...	150
Scholarships	120
Miss Chopard	72
Kindergarten supplies	50
Bible Training School	65
Total for Malaysia	\$1,027

China.

<i>Foochow</i> , Scholarships	\$40
Miss Parkinson	600
Mrs. Stephenson	600
Seminary	150
Building	1,200
Seminary scholarships	100
Bible-woman	25
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Scholarship	20
<i>Sieng Iu</i> , Scholarships	40

<i>Hai Tang</i> , school building (conditional)	\$20
Total for Foochow	\$2,800

Central Japan.

<i>Yokohama</i> , Scholarships	\$80
Literary work	25
<i>Tokyo</i> , Industrial school	120
Teacher in wood-carving	35
Total for Central Japan ..	\$260

North Japan.

<i>Hakodate</i> , Scholarships	\$80
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Prize scholarships	40
Kindergarten	60
Total for North Japan ..	\$180

SUMMARY.

North India	\$530
Northwest India	725
Bombay Conference	1,645
Malaysia	1,027
China	2,800
Central Japan	260
North Japan	180
Contingent	133
Grand total	\$7,300

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1903-1904.

	New England	New York	Philadelphia	Baltimore	Cincinnati	Northwestern	Des Moines	Minneapolis	Topeka	Pacific	Columbia River	Total
India, North India Conference.	\$7,655	\$11,850	\$4,690	\$1,311	\$10,550	\$12,050	\$2,230	\$822	\$1,305	\$1,695	\$530	\$54,688
Northwest	1,268	2,671	2,983	346	4,122	9,720	5,561	1,475	5,909	6,462	725	41,240
Bombay	1,425	5,357	7,037	480	1,670	4,720	10,706	854	1,460	5,65	1,645	35,919
South India	2,150	4,650	3,140	6,384	2,676	4,945	9,614	284	2,210	1,077		37,036
Bengal	350	3,176	170		2,990	7,760	2,800	940	700	1,500		20,386
Burina		80	720			600	1,200	40	3,780	560		6,980
Total for India	12,848	27,784	18,740	8,491	22,011	39,735	32,171	4,371	15,364	11,857	2,900	196,269
Malaysia Conference	1,595	600	1,502		1,494	1,875		4,820	1,050	830	1,027	13,963
Manila					200	90						1,120
China, North China Conference.	5,080	1,990	1,660	150	1,500	4,695	1,410		1,005	60		17,550
Central China	215	4,883	1,145	250		10,325	3,405	525	605	850		22,203
West China	620		1,000		1,600	3,600	2,200	310				9,330
Foochow	1,885	5,675	3,955	2,465	2,780	8,110	6,436	2,945	715	1,454	2,800	39,220
Hing Hua	1,275	70		420	3,420	2,980		1,560	1,600			11,325
Total for China	9,075	12,618	7,760	3,285	9,300	29,710	13,451	5,340	3,925	2,364	2,800	99,628
Korea	1,460	7,100	3,954	1,230	4,695	990		190		120		19,739
Japan, North Japan Conference	860	3,000	3,000	270	2,460	955	2,655	120	1,015	30	180	15,015
Central Japan	2,699	3,065	3,690	2,540	1,325	7,395	2,680	2,280	1,080	840	260	27,874
South Japan	280	4,185	375	155	7,495	2,920				80		15,490
Total for Japan	3,779	10,720	7,065	2,615	11,280	11,270	5,335	2,400	2,095	970	440	58,379
Mexico	2,205	2,905	6,135	100	3,425	6,500	1,354			100		22,784
South America	2,503	4,418	2,283			5,720		100	2,800			17,824
Bulgaria	325	265	380			2,280		40				3,290
Italy	250	875	315	130		6,250	200		100			8,120
Switzerland						150						150
North Germany						125						125
Norway							150			50		50
Africa		600	1,400		2,000	200	150			750		3,700
Contingent		3,500				5,145	2,339		666		133	13,183
Conditional		6,600	1,466		1,600							9,666
Total	\$34,100	\$77,985	\$51,000	\$16,201	\$56,062	\$110,100	\$55,000	\$17,261	\$26,000	\$17,041	\$7,300	\$467,990

Report of Woman's Missionary Friend

Do you ever stop to think as you take, month by month, a fresh *Friend* in hand of the "power-house" it represents? First, a great idea—the idea of aiding in the conversion of this world to our Lord Jesus Christ. Second, an army of 200,000 women representing the choicest and best of 2,000,000 women, and that, in turn, a part of the hosts of the Lord which we call the Protestant Church of Christ. Third, a power-distributing agency, establishing schools and colleges, hospitals and dispensaries, churches and Sunday-schools throughout the world. Fourth, an attempt to familiarize the reader with the best methods and best thoughts on the evangelization of the christian world.

Nineteen hundred and three completes a decade of the present editorship, a decade that has seen many a change, indicating, we trust, that we have been going on and on, not round and round. Miss Frances J. Baker, in her study of July 1903, enumerates the new features that have kept the old face of the *Friend* new and her complexion fresh. The re-naming of the magazine, historical articles and statistical tables on our schools and orphanages; a series of illustrated articles showing the contributions of missionaries our colleges are making to missions; a series of articles of international interest; the introduction of the P. O. Box, Roll Call notes, certain special funds, as the 20th Century Thank-Offering, and the Peking Building Fund, both now completed, and the Folts Institute fund still in process of addition, What is Interesting Us, Worth Reading, the Quarterlies, the Books and Magazine column, and the latest fashion of an occasional symposium, showing up the present status of a mission field. Other new features have been Tidings from fields in general, the column to meet the needs of the Literature Committee; the reports of significant meetings from special correspondents and from all over the world, as the Keswick Convention in London, the International Missionary Union, the Ecumenical Conference of 1900, the Madras Decennial and the Young People's Movement, centred in New York. Con-

tributions have been solicited and received during the decade from the best writers on missionary themes.

The Young Women and Standard Bearer page, under the gifted guidance of Miss Mary L. Ninde, whose resignation is sincerely regretted, has made our young people's work more of a reality. It waits for still further enlargement in the way of suggestive reading. Some of the many courses of study and endeavor which were recommended at the Conference of Young People, at Silver Bay, have been adopted. The carnation seems to be the popular flower, and our young women have the honor of being the first to assume it.

But with every innovation let us hope there has been improvement, and that

"All the good the old time had
Remains to make the new time glad."

Since her election ten years ago, your editor has pushed one thought: Make wider use of the printer and of our literature. And she has seen this thought promoted by the constituency until the magazine which in 1893 had 21,529 subscriptions, now has a circulation of 25,000, and a paid subscription list of 24,120, while the literature sales have extended commensurately from a few hundred to over \$11,000.

An attempt has been made to publish a list of such auxiliaries as have one hundred or more subscriptions to the *Friend*. There ought to be fifty, at least, of our large city churches that could be added to such a list; at present but two have reported. Harlan P. Beach wrote the editor, during the year, "Books can never serve the purpose of acquainting the public with the situation at the front. Before they get through the press they are out of date; the missionary magazine, on the contrary, consists in perpetually bringing news from the front."

The sixth year of the magazine fund to send our best periodicals to our missionaries that began in 1898, with twenty-five responses, almost half of which were from the editor's own exchanges, sees in 1903 a list of 115. The magazine fund ought to be called a cheer-up factor of our work, and nothing calls out more gratitude on the part of missionaries.

Out of the thirty-two different magazines, McClure's and the Century have led with seventeen and fourteen respectively.

The year 1903 has seen the largest amount of manuscript received, and in consequence the largest amount rejected. Two points are always taken into consideration, availability and timeliness. Accepted contributions are as follows: Home, 47; foreign, 61; of which

3 came from Africa, 20 from India, 20 from China, 6 from Straits Settlements, 2 from Bulgaria, 4 from Japan, 1 from Italy, 1 from Tibet, 1 from Burma, 2 from South America, 1 from Korea, 2 from Mexico.

But we are by no means content with what the *Friend* has achieved. If we were satisfied, how little we would be satisfied with! At the start the *Friend* was launched beyond the breakers and has had for the most part fair winds and seas and skies. She asks only for a little more searoom in the way of still longer lists of subscriptions, larger appropriations for contributions and cuts.

The editor takes this opportunity to thank one and all for generous letters of commendation, but genuine praise is the extension of the influence and power of a thing, and the editor always feels disposed to say in response to each kindly word, "Now, what have you personally done for the *Friend* this year?"

And there is another class she wishes to thank, and she fears they are not well represented here. It is that company on which our very foundations depend—those who do quiet, plodding, showless work, and neither expect nor desire to be thanked. Average work by the average member is our foundation.

It is said of Christian Frederick Schwartz, the German pioneer to India, that he set himself so to live in God as by his life, to make all who met him think of God. We W. F. M. S. women should, through our intelligent study, compel folk when they see us to think of the evangelization of the world, and the way to do it is to be a constant, thorough, prayerful, wide-awake reader of the Woman's Missionary Friend.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE MANNING HODGKINS.

*Table of Subscriptions to the Woman's Missionary Friend from
1869-1903.*

1870	3,000.
1871	21,000.
1872	22,000.
1873	24,000.
1874	25,000.
1875	16,000.
1876	17,313.
1877	16,000.
1878	14,074.
1879	13,388.
1880	15,606.
1881	18,007.
1882	20,020.
1883	19,571.
1884	20,045.
1885	19,816.
1886	19,456.
1887	19,987.
1888	19,907.
1889	19,834.
1890	19,236.
1891	20,401.
1892	21,512.
1893	21,529.
1894	21,617.
1895	20,411.
1896	19,146.
1897	19,026.
1898	20,858.
1899	21,812.
1900	22,720.
1901	21,447.
1902	23,538.
1903	24,120.

Report of Children's Missionary Friend

With gratitude for the many tokens for good which mark the history of the twelve past months, we report that in some respects the year has been one of experiment and anxiety. At Minneapolis a decided advance was made in the Department of Children's Work. A new name, new constitution, new methods of work under a new general superintendent produced a radical change, which, like all new ventures, aroused an interest quite beyond the ordinary. The cheering results of this change belong to the Superintendent's report. But one change—the enlargement of the paper from twelve to sixteen pages—directly affected the editor, bringing additional responsibility and care, while giving to subscribers just double the size with which we started in 1890.

The question was: "Shall we have a subscription list to cover additional expense?" A dear little girl wrote soon after this enlargement, "I have hurried around and got two new subscribers to help pay for the four new pages." And this was but the beginning of helpfulness which has sent the list from 27,123 up to 29,560, a gain over last year of 2,437. But alas! this generous response did not quite meet the demands, and we cannot be satisfied until every earnest friend has "hurried around" and got at least two new subscribers that we may not only cover expenses but pour a surplus into our treasury.

Before yielding to the least discouragement, however, the Branches must remember that through the Little Light Bearer life membership plan enforced by the bright faces given month by month in the paper, more than \$300.00 has been given to their treasuries, our publisher generously bearing the entire expense of reproduction, thus accounting for a large part of the deficit of \$90.00.

Contributions have been generously furnished by our missionaries in the foreign field and at home, but more of these are needed. Will not those who have "the gift" remember that they are privileged to help largely in training the future workers for foreign missionaries at home and abroad?

Home talent is secured to a limited extent by small remuneration, but more incidents, stories, items, songs and reports of good things are earnestly desired.

Our King's Heralds are developing new strength in many directions. Better entertainments, more original work, and a large increase in financial results are noticeable. If our auxiliaries realized what a mine of wealth lies in the ability of our boys and girls, they would be more faithful in developing it.

Our lessons in the Children's Friend for 1904 will follow the lines of study marked out for auxiliaries. The subject, "China" opens a wonderfully interesting field, which we shall explore as fully as possible.

The Children's Reading Course is a new venture for 1904, and consists of the Children's Missionary Friend, Bits of Gilt-Edged China, and Twelve Little Pilgrims who stayed at Home. The entire course, were the paper taken in clubs, will cost but \$1.25. The names of those who finish the course will be given from time to time in the paper, and a neat certificate will also be given on application to Mrs. Lucie F. Harrison, Worcester, Mass.

The outlook for the new year is most encouraging. Publisher and editor will unite to make the Children's Missionary Friend a success, which it surely will be if the great constituency for whom it exists will see that it is generously supported by a list of subscribers whose numbers should be 50,000.

For this we work, plan and pray, remembering always that "The King's business requireth haste."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. W. SCOTT.

REPORT OF THE "FRAUEN-MISSIONS-FREUND"

When the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, eighteen years ago, decided to publish a German paper, it was filling an urgent need. Nobody who can read English need lack information in missionary matters, but it is different with our mother tongue. Though our church paper has a missionary column, and the small local papers devote some space to missions now and then, in our own church, in this country, we have no paper that is written especially to disseminate missionary knowledge.

The German is slow in taking up anything new, and our paper has grown slowly, but in all these years there has never been a decrease, and for this record we praise our Master. We have limita-

tions. of course, and can never reach the large numbers our sister papers have reached, but we are satisfied that there is still a large increase possible, and we hope it will be attained in the years to come.

It is a very gratifying fact that in America three out of four of our members, that is 75 per cent, take the *Freund*. If we combine Europe and America we have more than 50 per cent of members who are subscribers to the *Freund*, besides the 76 reported, and a number of unreported subscribers to the English *Friend*.

The *Freund* has tried to bring as much fresh up-to-date missionary information as the allotted space allowed. There was a series of articles published in which we endeavored to acquaint our members in as simple and clear language as possible with the workings of "Our Clockwork," and we hope that all who studied them know now how the small and large wheels go around.

We are very much indebted to our German Secretary for her ever-ready counsel and prompt contributions, and also to the praying hands of the hundreds of women that have been upheld in our behalf during this trying year. May God bless them and knit the ties of fellowship closer still around our beloved women of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The increase of subscribers is not as large as last year, being but 51, and making the whole list 4,250.

Financially we have a deficit owing to the failure of one European conference to pay for this year's subscriptions.

We are very desirous of an increase in the size of the paper once a quarter, making four twelve-page issues instead of two during the year. It will then be possible to devote a little more space to homework.

May God continue to bless this as well as all other efforts in behalf of the people that sit in gross darkness.

Respectfully submitted,

AMALIE M. ACHARD.

REPORT OF THE STUDY

With the December number of the present year the Study completes its ninth volume. The year has been one of experiment in the effort to find the form that should most nearly meet the average need of our wide and varied constituency. This has not been an easy task, for the themes assigned have been so large that it has been impos-

sible to present more than a suggestive outline in a leaflet of four pages, one of which must be devoted to opening exercises.

The general plan followed in the earlier numbers was to use the entire space for a running account of the subject assigned. In the later numbers it has seemed wiser to condense the material and provide for a drill on the matter set forth by means of test questions, to be assigned in advance, believing that one fact mastered is better than a dozen in nebulous form.

With one or two exceptions, the test questions have been framed with direct reference to the subject matter of the leaflet, the text-book or the supplementary program helps.

The supplementary program helps have been classified under the head of Library References, current magazines and leaflets, the aim being to keep pace with the best contemporary literature, and to use our own output of special leaflets. In every instance it has been made possible for auxiliary workers to secure some reference literature at small expense. Occasionally it has been necessary to apply to another denomination when a leaflet upon a general theme was not found in our own catalogue, and once a leaflet was hastily compiled to meet an imperative demand for something bearing directly upon one of the earlier chapters of "Lux Christi."

The regular study column has been provided for the "Woman's Missionary Friend," but the open column of last year has been relinquished to give place to more pressing needs. Special treatment of the study for the month has been prepared for the "German Freund." The co-operation of the editors of these papers is cordially acknowledged. The "Woman's Missionary Friend" has rendered invaluable service with articles bearing on the topics assigned.

It is a pleasure to report an increase in subscriptions of 1,053.

Respectfully submitted.

ELIZABETH C. NORTHUP.

REPORT OF ZENANA PAPER

Five editions of this paper are published in India. The "Hindi" or the "Ablahath Karak" is in the square type; the "Urdu," the "Rafiq" is in the Persian type.

The first editor was Miss L. E. Blackmar, and after a few years Miss Thoburn became the editor until her last visit to America, when Mrs. Messmore accepted the work.

Through the kind activity of Mrs. T. B. Neely, a large number of cuts were sent from this country to Lucknow for use in the Zenana

Paper, the editor, Mrs. Messmore, having requested that if possible these might be supplied from this country, as those in possession of the publishers, were much worn with long use.

ZENANA PAPER FUND.

Balance on hand October 1, 1902.....	\$372.31
Received from Topeka Branch.....	33.00
Received from Baltimore Branch.....	43.75
Received from New England Branch.....	300.00
Received from Philadelphia Branch (Marathi edition).....	250.00
	\$999.06
Forwarded to India, by order of chairman, Oct. 1, 1903.....	720.00
	\$279.06

H. B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

Report of Publisher

The experiences of the past year have been somewhat varied from the usual routine work. Soon after the session of the General Executive Committee, the publisher received the following from the secretary of the Constitutional Publication Committee.

"At the last meeting of the secretaries in Minneapolis, as Constitutional Publication Committee, a vacation of three months was voted our publisher, with \$100 per month from the publication funds for expenses. The action was unanimous, and it is the hope of the committee that you will have a complete rest from the work of the office and everything connected therewith." This came as a great surprise, but I was very grateful for this recognition of my twelve years' service. It was one of the hardest things I have done in connection with the work to bring my mind to take the amount offered to me from the funds which have been held so sacred, and guarded from anything but legitimate expenses. As I long had a desire to visit the two branches on the Pacific Coast, they being the only branches which I had not yet visited in connection with the meetings of the General Executive Committee, and as my health demanded a change, and the committee asked that I have a complete rest from the work of the office, and as the Pacific coast was about as far away from the Atlantic coast as I could get in this country, I concluded to accept the kind offer, and to go west. I trust that the work of the Society, as well as my own pleasure, was increased thereby.

I want here to express my gratitude to the loyal women of the two branches, who received me as cordially and lovingly into their hearts and homes as if I had always belonged in their midst. God bless the royal women of the Pacific and Columbia River branches, and increase their number an hundred fold.

I present to you my financial statement as publisher. You will see that the expenses, after deducting the \$600 which was transferred to the Investment Fund, have been \$21,888.67. The receipts, \$21,951.68, so that the actual net gain has been \$63.01. In the financial report of the literature you will see that there has been a large cash deficit of \$1,299. This comes partly from the effort to advance our chil-

dren's work in the King's Herald Supplies, involving much cost, and the receipts were not equal to the cost, but there is a stock on hand which will be available for future use.

The work of the year has been difficult to manage in many respects, because of the King's Herald supplies, and the demand for them came before we could consider what was the best thing to put forth, and personal sorrows came to many connected with the literature work, which made it difficult for us to do our best, but the output of the year has been quite creditable, and we present for our consideration the following statistics:

There have been in the four periodicals 19,365,312 pages sent out, and in the Annual Report and leaflets 5,662,200, making a total of 24,020,510 pages of literature, an increase of 2,443,312 over last year. The combined circulation of the four periodicals has been 93,084, an increase of 43,108.

I am pleased to say that the corps of workers in my office during my absence were most faithful and diligent. It would be a sad comment on my work if everything had gone just the same as if I were present, but I am sure there was no neglect that could possibly be avoided, and I think that the output for the year showing an advance on all lines is an evidence that the workers in the publication office have by no means been idle.

Respectfully submitted,

PAULINE J. WALDEN.

*Pauline J. Walden, Publisher, in account with Woman's Foreign
Missionary Society from Oct. 1, 1902 to Oct. 1, 1903.*

To Cash on Hand.....		\$4,633 69
" " Rec'd for Subscriptions to W. M. F....	\$11,617 58	
" " " " " to C. M. F.....	2,945 75	
" " " " " to F. M. F.....	996 08	
" " " " " to The Study....	841 90	
	<hr/>	16,401 31
" " " " Literature.....		3,982 16
" " " " Annual Reports	\$727 70	
" " " " Certificates and Badges.....	362 79	
" " " " Advertising.....	124 25	
" " " " Interest on Loans and Deposits	345 93	
" " " " Sundries.....	7 54	
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Total		\$26,585 37

By Cash Paid for	Woman's Missionary Friend ..	\$7,793 15	
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" " " "	Office Expenses.....	665 92	
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" " " "	Printing Appropriations, etc..	26 30	
" " " "	Swedish Editorial Work	37 50	
		<hr/>	411 48
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" " " "	Vacation Allowance of Publisher	300 00	
		<hr/>	483 13
" " " "	Transference to Investment Fund		600 00
" " " "	On hand.....		4,096 70
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	Total.....		\$26,585 37

Examined and Approved,
A. S. WEED,
Auditor.

PAULINE J. WALDEN,
Publisher.

Report of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers.

It has been said that "The recognition of childhood is one of the best thermometers of the progress of an age or a nation and a sure test of the narrow or full development of christianity in its midst."

From this standpoint, our Society, which officially recognized the Little Light Bearers two years ago and inaugurated the King's Heralds one year ago, has placed itself in the line of true progress.

Within a few hours after the adoption of the new name and plan, and before the close of the last general executive meeting, circulars announcing the King's Herald plan were out and distributed among the officers and representatives of the different branches, to be carried back to their several fields of labor. They could not have been placed in better hands for circulation.

This circular also contained a request that each auxiliary at once choose a committee to care for its children's department; for it is becoming more and more evident that if we wish to build upon a solid foundation, the auxiliary is the place to begin.

Not till the local auxiliaries recognize this responsibility and "mother" the bands, instead of leaving them to depend upon the enthusiasm of an individual leader, can they be considered upon a permanent basis.

The name of King's Heralds has met with general favor. Only kind words of appreciation and enthusiastic interest have reached the secretary. This proves the loyalty of our workers.

The growth of the King's Heralds in what can hardly be considered a full year is very encouraging.

We hope by the close of the coming year that all our junior work will appear as King's Heralds, even though a few may hold sacred some special name; yet let them be known officially as King's Heralds and wear the badge.

At the close of the last General Executive Committee Meeting, the new secretary of children's work found herself face to face with the fact that there was an utter absence of any of the appliances

necessary for the launching of this little King's Herald craft; hence initiatory steps had to be taken, one after another, in rapid succession.

Sincere thanks are due our publisher and her helpers for the splendid spirit in which they accepted the situation, and with wise judgment and untiring labor made ready for the King's Herald campaign. In addition to the regular work of our busy publishing office, this sudden inroad must have taxed them to the utmost; but patience never failed, and in a short time the results became manifest in the appearance of King's Herald membership cards, ritual, song, manual, constitution, organization plans and blanks; mite-boxes and badges followed shortly, and Hai Tang thank-offering letters, programs, sections of wall and Little Light Bearer thank-offering windows. Hai Tang is to be the general thank-offering for another year. We trust that the letters and sections of wall will be made free in the various branches, and that the children will be encouraged to own at least one ten-cent brick in this much needed school and home. Many are doing much more than this.

The editor of our matchless little paper, in her efforts for a general thank-offering object, certainly merits the hearty co-operation of the branch treasurers in reporting. The paper is already a great power and we can hardly estimate its influence if we do our part.

It is hoped, also, that the time will soon come when space will be regularly devoted to helps for leaders of bands in the columns of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, or, perhaps, in the quarterlies. No one could be more cordial than our bright and progressive editor has ever been in welcoming any contributions that will help the children's work.

The Little Light Bearer page of the *Children's Missionary Friend* has been brightened by the sweet little faces of 28 little life members, eleven of these from New England and nine from New York. Others have reported whose faces have not yet appeared in the little paper, making 35 in all, New York and New England Branches leading with 13 each.

If you will look in the March number and admire the seven little faces which adorn one of its pages you will see what one interested worker can do. These are all from Newark District in the New York Branch. This same splendid worker has also been gathering memorial life members among the children. We trust this interest will be manifested by many others the coming year.

Requests were sent by the secretary to all the branch annual meetings asking—

(1) For a branch secretary of children's work where they had none.

(2) That a committee be appointed to consider the needs of children's work.

(3) That in cases where the branch secretary of children's work could not attend the Advisory Board, that some visitor be appointed, if possible, to fill the place and represent the branch

We have now seven branch secretaries of children's work.

Very interesting folios prepared by the several branches representing its children's work will be found in the exhibit. They consist of statistics by conferences, a recital of some methods which may prove suggestive to others, a list of life members and samples of any devices which have been prepared and used by the local branch; also some papers written by King's Heralds on "Why I would not like to live in India."

We have reason to be proud of this, our first effort in this line, and next year we will show you what we can do.

The equipment of the King's Heralds' department has occupied so much of our time that very little new material has been prepared for the Little Light Bearers. To make this branch of our work more effective, our immediate needs are Little Light Bearer life membership certificates, the ones now in use not being suitable, a simple graduation service and diploma and a Little Light Bearer mite-box, which should be made free.

I would also suggest that special conferences of leaders be held in the branches wherever possible, and also that organizers of children's work be employed.

Let us follow the example of the Great Teacher, who set a little child *in the midst*. Give them their rightful place and they will teach us many lessons of love, enthusiasm and self-sacrifice.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LUCIE F. HARRISON.

Receipts of Society Since Organization

From March,	1869, to	April,	1870	\$4,546 86
“ April 1,	1870, to	“	1871	22,397 99
“ “	1871, to	“	1872	44,477 46
“ “	1872, to	“	1873	54,834 87
“ “	1873, to	“	1874	64,309 25
“ “	1874, to	“	1875	61,492 19
“ “	1875, to	Feb. 10,	1876	55,276 06
“ Feb. 10,	1876, to	“	1877	72,464 30
“ “	1877, to	“	1878	68,063 52
“ “	1878, to	“	1879	66,843 69
“ “	1879, to	“	1880	76 276 43
“ “	1880, to	“	1881	107,932 45
“ “	1881, to	Oct 1,	1882	195,678 50
“ Oct. 1,	1882, to	“	1883	126,823 33
“ “	1883, to	“	1884	143,199 14
“ “	1884, to	“	1885	157,442 66
“ “	1885, to	“	1886	167,098 85
“ “	1886, to	“	1887	191,158 13
“ “	1887, to	“	1888	206,308 69
“ “	1888, to	“	1889	226,496 15
“ “	1889, to	“	1890	220,329 90
“ “	1890, to	“	1891	263,660 69
“ “	1891, to	“	1892	265,342 15
“ “	1892, to	“	1893	277,303 79
“ “	1893, to	“	1894	311,925 96
“ “	1894, to	“	1895	289,227 00
“ “	1895, to	“	1896	285,823 94
“ “	1896, to	“	1897	313,937 86
“ “	1897, to	“	1898	328,488 75
“ “	1898, to	“	1899	360,338 63
“ “	1899, to	“	1900	414,531 33
“ “	1900, to	“	1901	426,795 28
“ “	1901, to	“	1902	478,236 13
“ “	1902, to	“	1903	492,493 82

Total since organization \$6,852,255 71

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1872.	Lucy A. Hoag, M.D.	Chin Kiang, China.	New York.	Ann Arbor, Mich.
1872.	Gertrude Howe	Kiu Kiang, China.	Northwestern.	Lansing, Mich.
1878.	S. A. Easton.	Naini Tal, India.	Cincinnati.	Washington, D. C.
1878.	Matilda A. Spencer.	Tokyo, Japan.	Philadelphia.	Manhattan, Pa.
1878-1890.	Mary F. Swaney.	Rosario, S. A.	Topeka.	Manhattan, Kan.
1879.	Jennie M. Gheer.	Kagoshima, Japan.	New York.	Bellewood, Pa.
1879.	Elizabeth Russell	Nagasaki, Japan.	Cincinnati.	Delaware, O.
1880.	Anna N. Budden.	Pithoragarh, India.	New York.	Almora, India.
1881.	Minnie S. Hampton.	Hakodate, Japan.	New York.	New York, N. Y.
1881.	Emma L. Knowles.	Darjeeling, India.	New England.	Newark, N. J.
1881.	Mrs. Carrie Van Petten	Yokohama, Japan.	Northwestern.	Neponset, Ill.
1882-1900.	Anna P. Atkinson.	Tokyo, Japan.	New York.	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1883.	Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell.	Peking, China.	New York.	California.
1883.	Rebecca J. Watson.	Tokyo, Japan.	Topeka.	Lincoln, Neb.
1884.	Fannie M. English.	Bareilly, India.	New York.	Seneca Falls, N. Y.
1884-1900.	Emily L. Harvey.	Rajpur, India.	New England.	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
1884.	*Ella J. Hewett	Hakodate, Japan.	Philadelphia.	Gilead, Mich.
1884.	Carrie I. Jewell.	Foochow, China.	Cincinnati.	Harman, O.
1884.	Eleanor Le Huray.	Buenos Ayres, S. A.	New York.	Summit, N. J.
1884.	Mary Reed.	Pithoragarh, India.	Cincinnati.	Bicketts, O.
1884.	Mary C. Robinson.	Chin Kiang, China.	Northwestern.	Albion, Mich.
1884.	Lida B. Smith.	Kagoshima, Japan.	New York.	Syracuse, N. Y.
1885.	Anna D. Glass, M.D.	Peking, China.	Northwestern.	Chicago, Ill.
1885.	Theresa J. Kyle.	Pauri, India.	Philadelphia.	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
1885.	*Mrs. M. F. Scranton.	Seoul, Korea	New England.	Cleveland, C.

*Home on leave.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—(Continued.)

APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1885-1900.	Julia E. Wisner.....	Darjeeling, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Berea, O.
1886.....	Harriet L. Ayres.....	Mexico City, Mexico.....	Cincinnati.....	Hillsboro, O.
1886.....	Elizabeth Hewett.....	Montevideo, S. A.....	Northwestern.....	Gilead, Mich.
1886.....	Anna E. Lawson.....	Phalera, India.....	Des Moines.....	Ottumwa, Ia.
1887.....	Sophia Blackmore.....	Singapore, Srs. Settlements	Minneapolis.....	Australia.
1887.....	*May E. Carleton, M.D.....	Ming Chiang, China.....	New York.....	Port Chester, N. Y.
1887.....	*Anna Gallimore.....	Aligarh, India.....	Baltimore.....	England.
1887.....	Mabel C. Hartford.....	Iong Bing, China.....	New England.....	Dover, N. H.
1887.....	Ella C. Shaw.....	Nanking, China.....	Northwestern.....	Moore's Hill, Ind.
1887.....	Edna G. Terry, M.D.....	Tsunhua, China.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1888.....	*Belle J. Allen.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Bellefontaine, O.
1888.....	*Anna J. Bing.....	Sappora, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1888.....	Kate A. Blair.....	Calcutta, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Painesville, O.
1888.....	Julia A. Bonafield.....	Foochow, China.....	Cincinnati.....	Tunnelton, W. Va.
1888.....	Augusta Dickerson.....	Hakodate, Japan.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1888.....	Estelle M. Files.....	Poona, India.....	New York.....	Brochport, N. Y.
1888.....	Elizabeth Maxey.....	Calcutta, India.....	New York.....	London, O.
1888.....	Emma Mitchell.....	Wuhu, China.....	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1888.....	Sarah Peters.....	Nanking, China.....	Northwestern.....	Princeville, Ill.
1888.....	Martha A. Sheldon, M.D.....	Pithoragarh, India.....	New England.....	Excelsior, Minn.
1888.....	Lucy W. Sullivan.....	Pithoragarh, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Dayton, O.
1889.....	Georgiana Baucus.....	Yokohama, Japan.....	New York.....	Ithaca, N. Y.
1889.....	*Elizabeth R. Bender.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Baltimore.....	Carlisle, Pa.
1889.....	Ellen Blackstock.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Minneapolis.....	Lafayette, Ind.
1889.....	Mary B. Griffiths.....	Hirosaki, Japan.....	Des Moines.....	Marathon, Ia.

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1889.....	Louisa Imhof.....	Sappora, Japan.....	Topeka.....	Lincoln, Neb.
1889.....	Frances E. Phelps.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Des Moines.....	Sioux City, Ia.
1889.....	Frances Scott.....	Gonda, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Cincinnati, O.
1889.....	Rue E. Sellers.....	Naini Tal, India.....	Cincinnati.....	New Matamoras, O.
1889.....	Anna E. Steere.....	Tai-an Fu, China.....	Northwestern.....	Adrian, Mich.
1889.....	Lydia A. Trimble.....	Hok Chiang, China.....	Des Moines.....	Galsa, Ia.
1889.....	Frances O. Wilson.....	Tientsin, China.....	Des Moines.....	Corning, Ia.
1889.....	Elsie Wood.....	Lima, Peru.....	New York.....	Lima, Peru.
1890.....	Rachel R. Benn, M.D.....	Tientsin, China.....	Philadelphia.....	Edinboro, Pa.
1890-1897.....	Mrs. R. Sherwood Hall, M.D.....	Pyeng Yang, Korea.....	New York.....	Liberty, N. Y.
1890.....	Ellen M. Lyon, M.D.....	Foochow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Spencer Creek, Mich.
1890.....	Fannie A. Perkins.....	Thandaung, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Indianolo, Ia.
1890.....	Leonora H. Seeds.....	Fukuoka, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1890.....	*Ida Stevenson, M.D.....	Tientsin, China.....	Topeka.....	Chicago, Ill.
1891.....	Louisa Heafer.....	Jabalpur, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1891.....	Ella A. Lewis.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Baltimore.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1891.....	*Anna R. Limberger.....	Puebla, Mexico.....	Philadelphia.....	Danville, Pa.
1891.....	Kate L. Ogborn.....	Nan Chang, China.....	Des Moines.....	Union Mills, Ia.
1891.....	*M. E. Vickery.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Evansville, Ind.
1891.....	Laura M. White.....	Chin Kiang, China.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1891.....	*Kate B. Blackburn.....	Lovetch, Bulgaria.....	Northwestern.....	Jacksonville, Ill.
1892.....	Mary F. Cutler, M.D.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New York.....	Pomeroy, Ia.
1892.....	Effie Dunmore.....	Guanajuato, Mexico.....	Philadelphia.....	Auburn Corners, Pa.
1892.....	Ella E. Glover.....	Tientsin, China.....	Philadelphia.....	Boston, Mass.
1892.....	Elizabeth Hoge.....	Gonda, India.....	New England.....	Bellaire, O.
			Cincinnati.....	

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APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1892.....	Ada J. Lauck.....	Cawnpore, India.....	Des Moines.....	Indianolo, Ia.
1892.....	Christine Lawson.....	Bombay, India.....	New York.....	Green Island, N. Y.
1892.....	Luella M. Masters, M.D.....	Foochow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Thornton, Ind.
1892.....	Josephine O. Paine.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1892.....	Josephine Stahl.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Northwestern.....	Diagonal, Ia.
1892.....	Grace Stephens.....	Madras, India.....	Baltimore.....	India.
1892.....	Lydia A. Wilkinson.....	Foochow, China.....	Des Moines.....	Diagonal, Ia.
1892.....	Catherine Wood.....	Haiderabad, India.....	Des Moines.....	Humeston, Ia.
1892.....	*Effe G. Young.....	Peking, China.....	New England.....	Waltham, Mass.
1893.....	*Mrs. Anna C. Davis.....	Nan King, China.....	Northwestern.....	Oak Park, Ill.
1893.....	Lula E. Frey.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Bellefontaine, O.
1893.....	Carrie A. Heaton.....	Sendai, Japan.....	Northwestern.....	Seymour, Ind.
1893.....	Wilma H. Rouse.....	Foochow, China.....	Minneapolis.....	Lakefield, Minn.
1894.....	Mabel Allen.....	Foochow, China.....	Des Moines.....	Early, Ia.
1894.....	Harriet S. Alling.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1894.....	*Celeste Easton.....	Sitapur, India.....	Pacific.....	Riverside, Cal.
1894.....	Anna R. Elicker.....	Khandwa, India.....	Des Moines.....	Muscatine, Ia.
1894.....	Helen R. Galloway.....	Chung King, China.....	Des Moines.....	Mt. Ayr, Ia.
1894.....	Lily D. Greene.....	Phalera, India.....	Northwestern.....	Greencastle, Ind.
1894.....	Lola May Kidwell.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Delavan, O.
1894.....	*Lillian R. Marks.....	Ajmer, India.....	Pacific.....	San Francisco, Cal.
1894.....	*Fannie E. Meyer.....	Chung King, China.....	Des Moines.....	Elm Grove, Mo.
1894.....	*Florence L. Nichols.....	Mungkiang, India.....	New England.....	Lynn, Mass.
1894.....	Mary Peters.....	Luiknow, China.....	Northwestern.....	Princeville, Ill.
1894.....	Florence E. Singer.....	Hakodate, Japan.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

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1894.....	Mary E. Wilson.....	Budaon, India.....	Northwestern.....	India.
1894.....	Minnie E. Wilson.....	Hing Hua, China.....	Northwestern.....	Shelbyville, Ill.
1895.....	Clara J. Collier.....	Chin Kiang, China.....	New England.....	Laconia, N. H.
1895.....	*Kate O. Curtis.....	Budaon, India.....	New York.....	New York City.
1895.....	Hu King Eng, M.D.....	Foochow, China.....	Philadelphia.....	Foochow, China.
1895.....	Alice A. Evans.....	Haiderabad, India.....	Des Moines.....	Russell, Ia.
1895.....	Eva M. Hardie.....	Lucknow, India.....	Cincinnati.....	New York City.
1895.....	Alice Linam.....	Ku Cheng, China.....	New York.....	Leesburg, Ind.
1895.....	Gertrude Taft, M.D.....	Chin Kiang, China.....	Pacific.....	Los Angeles, Cal.
1895.....	Althea M. Todd.....	Ing Chung, China.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1895.....	Phoebe Wells.....	Foochow, China.....	New York.....	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1895.....	Laura S. Wright.....	Budaon, India.....	Northwestern.....	Washington, Ind.
1896.....	*Elizabeth M. Bentheim.....	Poona, India.....	Northwestern.....	Millbrook, Ill.
1896.....	Fannie S. Fisher.....	Kolar, India.....	Northwestern.....	Danville, Ill.
1896.....	Gertrude Gilman.....	Peking, China.....	New England.....	Springfield, Vt.
1896.....	Ida Khan, M.D.....	Nan Chang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896.....	Mary Means.....	Moradabad, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Akron, O.
1896.....	Clara E. Merrill.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Flint, Mich.
1896.....	*Elizabeth W. Nicholls.....	Bombay, India.....	New York.....	New York City.
1896.....	Caroline M. Purdy.....	Puebla, Mexico.....	Philadelphia.....	Sunbury, Pa.
1896.....	Emma Scott, M.D.....	Muttra, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Columbus, O.
1896.....	Mary E. Shockley.....	Peking, China.....	Cincinnati.....	Columbus, O.
1896.....	Mary Stone, M.D.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Des Moines.....	Kiu Kiang, China.
1896.....	Frances G. Wilson.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1897.....	Laura Bobenhouse.....	Aligarh, India.....	Des Moines.....	Cambria, Ia.

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1897	Nell M. Daniel.....	Tokyo, Japan	Des Moines	Traer, Ia.
1897	*Martelle Elliot.....	Poona, India	New York	Van Wert, O.
1897	*Nettie M. Hyde.....	Jabalpur, India	Des Moines	Hopkins, Mo.
1897	Martha Lebeus.....	Sieng Iu, China	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1897	*Amy Gifford Lewis.....	Yokohama, Japan	Baltimore	Jamestown, N. Y.
1897	May B. Lilly.....	Singapore, Ss. Settlements	Columbia River	Portland, Oregon.
1897	Melva A. Livermore.....	Meerut, India	Topeka	Smith Center, Kans.
1897	*Clara Martin.....	Penang, Ss. Settlements	Minneapolis	Hamline, Minn.
1897	*Mary E. Melton.....	Nagasaki, Japan	Northwestern	Jacksonville, Ill.
1897	*Nellie Pierce.....	Seoul, Korea	Philadelphia	Nashville, Tenn.
1897	*Mariana Young.....	Nagasaki, Japan	Cincinnati	Marysville, O.
1898	Miriam Forster.....	Asansol, India	Northwestern	Toronto, Canada.
1898	*E. Marguerite Glenck.....	Ku Cheng, China	New York	Long Island City, N. J
1898	Edith A. Hemingway.....	Singapore, Ss. Settlements	New England	Springfield, Mass.
1898	*Isabella D. Longstreet.....	Ming Chiang, China	Northwestern	Bay City, Mich.
1898	Ida Grace Loper.....	Sitapur, India	New York	Marilla, N. Y.
1898	Florence W. Maskell.....	Kolar, India	Des Moines	India.
1898	Alice Means.....	Moradabad, India	Cincinnati	Akron, O.
1898	*Marion Newton.....	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Grand Ledge, Mich.
1898	*Lizzie W. Varney.....	Hing Hua, China	Topeka	Pueblo, Cal.
1899	Louisa T. Brouse.....	Lucknow, India	Northwestern	Irvington, Ind.
1899	Caroline Driebelbeis.....	Kiu Kiang, China	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1899	Emma Ernsberger, M.D.....	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1899	Mary Eva Gregg.....	Muttra, India	Des Moines	Danville, Ia.
1899	Charlotte J. Illingsworth.....	Thandaung, Burma	Philadelphia	Burma.

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1899.	Helen Ingram.	Lucknow, India	Minneapolis	Brighton, England.
1899.	Ella Manning	Chung King, China	Northwestern	Detroit, Mich.
1899.	Jennie Moyer	Calcutta, India	New York	Newark, N. Y.
1899.	*Martha L. Nicolaisen	Sieng Iu, China	Minneapolis	Germany.
1899.	Clara M. Organ	Shahjahanpur, India	New England	Groveland, Mass.
1899.	*Phoebe A. Parkinson	Foochow, China	Columbia River	Spokane, Wash.
1899.	Ada J. Southard	Hirosaki, Japan	Des Moines	Sioux City, Ia.
1900.	Luella R. Anderson	Kuala Lumpur, Sts. Set'm'ts	Cincinnati	Ada, O.
1900.	Laura E. Beazell	Rome, Italy	Northwestern	Ligonier, Ind.
1900.	Ida Bohannon	Pachuca, Mexico	Northwestern	Dellon, Kan.
1900.	*Mary A. Cody	Singapore, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Cleveland, O.
1900.	Dora Davis	Lovetch, Bulgaria	Northwestern	Kalamazoo, Mich.
1900.	Miriam Decker	Chung King, Chian	Northwestern	Dixon, Ill.
1900.	Ida Ellis	Penang, Sts. Settlements	Minneapolis	Greencastle, Ind.
1900.	Ethel M. Estey	Seoul, Korea	New York	Waterville, N. B.
1900.	Mary R. Hillman	Seoul, Korea	Cincinnati	Newark, O.
1900.	Charlotte J. Holman	Ajmer, India	Pacific	Boston, Mass.
1900.	Bertha E. Kneeland	Rosario, S. A.	New England	Boston, Mass.
1900.	Emma E. Martin, M.D.	Peking, China	Northwestern	Otterbein, Ind.
1900.	Elizabeth Martin	Peking, China	Northwestern	Otterbein, Ind.
1900.	Mary V. McKinley	Darjeeling, India	Northwestern	Clare, Mich.
1900.	Mrs. Mary C. Meek	Kuala Lumpur, Sts. Settlem.	New York	New York City.
1900.	Martha J. Miller	Basim, India	Des Moines	Madrid, La.
1900.	Lulu A. Miller	Seoul, Korea	New York	Little Falls, N. Y.
1900.	Anna J. Norton, M.D.	Jabalpur, India	Cincinnati	New York City.

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1900.....	Eva Odgers.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1900.....	Mrs. Esther Kim Pak, M.D.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Philadelphia.....	Seoul, Korea.
1900.....	Florence Plumb.....	Foochow, China.....	New York.....	Foochow, China.
1900.....	Mrs. Helen E. Rasmussen.....	Rhodesia, S. E. Africa.....	New York.....	Wenonah, N. J.
1900.....	Luella Rigby.....	Thandaung, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Mechanicsville, Ia.
1900.....	Ruth E. Robinson.....	Lucknow, India.....	Baltimore.....	Calcutta, India.
1900.....	Mary L. Rowley.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Crystal Springs, Mich.
1900.....	Elizabeth May Ruddick.....	Gonda, India.....	New England.....	El Dorado, Kan.
1900.....	Lilavati Singh.....	Lucknow, India.....	Northwestern.....	India.
1900.....	Mrs. Susan Tippet.....	Foochow, China.....	Baltimore.....	Stuart, Ia.
1900.....	Mary E. Williams.....	Baroda, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Grove City, Pa.
1901.....	Anna A. Abbott.....	Godhira, India.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1901.....	Edna L. Beck, M.D.....	Ajmer, India.....	Pacific.....	San Jose, Cal.
1901.....	Fannie A. Bennett.....	Poona, India.....	Northwestern.....	Bloomington, Ill.
1901.....	Susan Collins.....	Malange, Angola, Africa.....	Pacific.....	Pasadena, Cal.
1901.....	Agnes Edmonds, M.D.....	Chung King, China.....	Des Moines.....	Tina, Mo.
1901.....	Margaret J. Edmunds.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cincinnati.....	Toledo, O.
1901.....	Carrie Foster.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Sioux City, Ia.
1901.....	Naimette Henkle.....	Calcutta, India.....	Des Moines.....	Des Moines, Ia.
1901.....	Ella Holbrook.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Pacific.....	San Francisco, Cal.
1901.....	Margaret D. Lewis, M.D.....	Bareilly, India.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1901.....	Jessie Alice Marriott.....	Ing Chung, China.....	New England.....	Osage City, Mo.
1901.....	Isabel McKnight.....	Muttra, India.....	Topeka.....	Canada.
1901.....	Grace Stockwell.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Murray, Ia.
1901.....	Emma Stockwell.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Topeka.....	Murray, Ia.

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1901.....	Elizabeth J. Wells.	Haiderabad, India.	Des Moines.....	La Clede, Mo.
1901.....	Annie S. Winslow.	Meerut, India.	Topeka.....	Chicago, Ill.
1901.....	Grace W. Woods.	Kolar, India.	Northwestern ..	Quincy, Ill.
1902.....	Joan Davis.	Bombay, India.	Des Moines.....	Fayette, Ia.
1902.....	Laura Temple.	Mexico City, Mo.	New York.....	Hoboken, N. J.
1902.....	Bessie Alexander.	Sappora, Japan.	Cincinnati.....	Prince Edward Is., N. F.
1902.....	Winifred Spaulding.	Manila, P. I.	Topeka.....	Kansas City, Kan.
1902.....	Edith M. Swift.	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern ..	Newtonville, Mass.
1903.....	Ida May Cartwright.	Lucknow, India.	Cincinnati.....	Youngstown, O.
1903.....	Edith M. Crane.	Montevideo, S. A.	Northwestern ..	Albion, Mich.
1903.....	Mabel Davison.	Nagasaki, Japan.	New York.....	Japan.
1903.....	La Dona Deavitt.	Wuhu, China.	New York.....	Willsboro, N. Y.
1903.....	Mrs. S. M. Eddy.	Poona, India.	Cincinnati.....	Youngstown, O.
1903.....	Norma H. Fenderich.	Raichur, India.	Philadelphia.....	Allegheny, Pa.
1903.....	Mamie Glassburner.	Hok Chiang, China.	Des Moines.....	Charter Oak, Ia.
1903.....	Minerva Guthapel.	Seoul, Korea.	Philadelphia.....	Germantown, Pa.
1903.....	Helen Hewitt.	Pachuca, Mexico.	Northwestern ..	Elgin, Ill.
1903.....	Dorothy Jones.	Chung Kiang, China.	Northwestern ..	Joliet, Ill.
1903.....	Mabel Lee.	Aoyama, Japan.	Minneapolis.....	Grand Forks, N. D.
1903.....	Alice M. Northrup.	Lucknow, India.	Northwestern ..	Braceville, Ill.
1903.....	Mary E. Olson.	Penang, Ss. Settlements.	Minneapolis.....	Afton, Minn.
1903.....	Jessie I. Peters.	Muzzafarpur, India.	Northwestern ..	Chicago, Ill.
1903.....	Lydia Pool.	Cawnpore, India.	Des Moines.....	Cherlotte, Mich.
1903.....	Helen Robinson.	Bombay, India.	New York.....	Calcutta, India.
1903.....	Adelaide Siddall.	Lucknow, India.	New England ..	Albion, Mich.

*Home on leave.

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APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	FOREIGN STATION.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1903.	Anna Stone.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Minneapolis	China.
1903.	Virginia R. Stormstedt.....	Inhambane, Africa.....	Cincinnati	Wyoming, O.
1903.	Hester A. Thomas.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Cincinnati	Lancaster, O.
1903.	Grace B. Travis.....	Ku Cheng, China.....	New York.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
1903.	Nota Belle Waugh.....	Naini Tal, India.....	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1903.	Maude Wheeler.....	Peking, China.....	Northwestern	Lake Mills, Wis.
1903.	Bertha L. Wood.....	Lima, Peru.....	Philadelphia	Lima, Peru.
ACCEPTED BUT NOT APPOINTED.				
1902.	Lotta McHose.....	.....	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1902.	Lou Frances Passmore.....	.....	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
1903.	Emma J. Beton, M.D.....	.....	Cincinnati	Louisville, Ky.
1903.	Grace A. Crooks.....	.....	Northwestern	Charlotte, Mich.
1903.	Esther Henderson.....	.....	New York.....	Herkimer, N. Y.
1903.	May Hu.....	.....	Des Moines.....	China.
1903.	Jennie V. Hughes.....	.....	New York.....	South Orange, N. J.
1903.	Frieda V. Lorenz.....	.....	New York.....	Germany.
1903.	Eleanor S. Moore.....	.....	Northwestern	Nashville, Tenn.
1903.	Agnes Saxe.....	.....	New York.....	Walden, N. Y.
1903.	Maude Saxe.....	.....	New York.....	Walden, N. Y.
1903.	Susan A. Walker.....	.....	Northwestern	Chicago, Ill.
RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE.				
	Sarah Woolston.....	Foochow, China.....	.....	Mt. Holly, N. J.
RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-SEVEN YEARS' SERVICE.				
	Clara A. Swain, M.D.....	India.....	Castile, N. Y.

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Entered into Rest.

APPOINT.	MISSIONARIES.	Entered into Rest.	Died
1875.....	Miss Letitia A. Campbell.....	Peking, China.....	May 18, 1878.
1876.....	" L. H. Green, M.D. (Mrs. Cheney)	Bareilly, India.....	Sept. 30, 1878.
1878.....	" Susan B. Higgins.....	Yokohama, Japan.....	July 3, 1879.
1881.....	" Emma Michener.....	Africa.....	Dec. 11, 1881.
1884.....	" Ella Gilchrist, M.D.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	April 23, 1884
1871.....	" Beulah Woolston.....	Foochow, China.....	Oct. 24, 1886.
1878-1880.	" Cecelia Guelfi.....	Montevideo, S. A.....	1886.
1881.....	" Harriet Kerr.....	Bareilly, India.....	Dec. 11, 1886.
1880.....	" Florence Nickerson.....	Lucknow, India.....	Jan. 31, 1887.
1878.....	" Harriet Woolson, M.D.....	Moradabad, India.....	"
1872.....	" Elizabeth M. Pultz.....	Moradabad, India.....	"
1883.....	" Emma J. Everding.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Nov. 5, 1887.
1878.....	" M. E. Layton.....	Cawnpore, India.....	Jan. 13, 1892.
1888.....	" M. E. V. Pardoe.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	April 22, 1892.
1887.....	" Mary A. Vance (Mrs. Belknap)	Tokyo, Japan.....	Aug. 31, 1892.
1880.....	" Anna B. Sears.....	Peking, China.....	Sept. 27, 1892.
1884.....	" Clara A. Downey.....	India.....	Dec. 4, 1895.
1888.....	" Mary E. Carroll.....	Bombay, India.....	Jan. 4, 1896.
1884.....	" Linna M. Schenck.....	Bulgaria.....	June 12, 1897.
1881.....	" Phebe Rowe.....	India.....	March 22, 1898.
1889.....	" Maud E. Simons.....	Japan.....	April 13, 1898.
1874.....	" Mary Hastings.....	Pachuca, Mexico.....	July 29, 1898.
1876.....	" Nettie Ogden.....	Mexico.....	"
1887.....	" Mary A. Hughes (Mrs. Ernsberger)	India.....	Aug. 15, 1898.
1900.....	" Martha McKibben.....	Mexico City, Mexico.....	1899.
1895.....	" Florence Sterling (Mrs. Leuth)	India.....	Nov. 12, 1900.
1898.....	" Cora Zentmire (Mrs. Brewster)	Angola, Africa.....	Nov. 1900.
1869.....	" Isabella Thoburn.....	Lucknow, India.....	Jan. 8, 1901.
1886.....	" Delia A. Fuller.....	Sironcha, India.....	Sept. 1, 1901.
1884.....	" Mary De F. Loyd.....	Mexico City, Mexico.....	Nov. 14, 1901.
1897.....	" Lillian Harris, M.D.....	Pyeng Yang, Korea.....	May 28, 1902.
1900.....	" Josephine Meckleson.....	Quessua, Africa.....	May 16, 1902.
			July 5, 1902.

Missionaries

SENT OUT FROM AMERICA OR EMPLOYED BY THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1869.

m indicates Marriage, *r* Retired, *d* Deceased. Name in italics is married name. Abbreviations, in parentheses, indicate Branch.

Date of App'm't	NAME AND BRANCH.	Date of App'm't	NAME AND BRANCH.
1901	Abbott, Anna A. (N. W.)	1903	Cartwright, Ida May
1887 <i>r</i>	Abrams, Minnie F.	1898 <i>m</i>	Carver, Margaret B. (<i>Ernsberger</i>)
1882 <i>m</i>	Akers, Estella, M. D. (<i>Perkins</i>)	1874 <i>r</i>	Chapin, Jennie M.
1888	Allen, Belle J. (Cinn.)	1903	Crane, Edith M. (N. W.)
1894	Allen, Mabel (Des M.)	1884 <i>r</i>	Christiancy, Mary F., M. D.
1902	Alexander, Bessie (Cinn.)	1894 <i>m</i>	Christiansen, Christina (<i>Ashe</i>)
1894	Alling, Harriet S. (N. W.)	1880 <i>r</i>	Clemens, Mrs. E. J.
1900	Anderson, Luella R. (Cinn.)	1900	Cody, Mary A. (Minn.)
1882	Atkinson, Anna P. (N. Y.)	1895	Collier, Clara J. (N. E.)
1888 <i>r</i>	Atkinson, Mary	1894 <i>m</i>	Collins, Ruth A. (<i>Thoburn</i>)
1886	Ayres, Harriet L. (Cinn.)	1901	Collins, Susan (Pac.)
1895 <i>m</i>	Barrows, Mrs. M. L., M. D. (<i>King</i>)	1873 <i>m</i>	Coombs, L., M. D. (<i>Strittmater</i>)
1889	Baucus, Georgiana	1884 <i>m</i>	Corey, Catherine, M. D. (<i>Ford</i>)
1902	Beard, Bertha M. (Des M.)	1892 <i>m</i>	Craig, Frances (<i>Sweet</i>)
1900	Beazell, Laura E. (N. W.)	1892 <i>r</i>	Crosthwaite, Isabella
1901	Beck, Edna L., M. D. (Pac.)	1895 <i>m</i>	Croucher, Miranda (<i>Packard</i>)
1889	Bender, Elizabeth R. (Balto.)	1895	Curtis, Kate O. (N. Y.)
1890 <i>m</i>	Bengel, Margaret (<i>Jones</i>)	1892	Cutler, Mary F., M. D. (N. Y.)
1890	Benn, Rachel R., M. D. (Phila.)	1878 <i>r</i>	Cushman, Clara
1901	Bennett, Fannie A. (N. W.)	1890 <i>r</i>	Daily, Rebecca
1896	Benthein, E. M. (N. W.)	1888 <i>r</i>	Danforth, Mary A.
1882 <i>m</i>	Benton, Emma (<i>Elmer</i>)	1897	Daniels, N. M. (Des M.)
1888	Bing, Anna V. (Cinn.)	1895 <i>m</i>	Dart, Jennie M., M. D. (<i>Dease</i>)
1888 <i>r</i>	Black, Lillian R.	1893	Davis, Anna C. (Mrs.) (N. W.)
1892	Blackburn, Kate B. (N. W.)	1900	Davis, Dora, (N. W.)
1872 <i>m</i>	Blackmar, Louisa (<i>Gilder</i>)	1902	Davis, Joan (Des M.)
1887 <i>m</i>	Blackmore, Sophia (Minn.)	1903	Davison, Mabel, (N. Y.)
1889	Blackstock, Ella (Minn.)	1888 <i>m</i>	Day, Martha E. (<i>Abbott</i>)
1888	Blair, Kate A. (Cinn.)	1896 <i>m</i>	Deaver, Ida C.
1897	Bobenhouse Laura (Des M.)	1903	Deavitt La Dona (N. Y.)
1900	Bohannon Ida (N. W.)	1900	Decker, H. M. (N. W.)
1897	Bonafield, Julia (Cinn.)	1884 <i>r</i>	Deline, Sarah M.
1897 <i>r</i>	Boss, Harriet.	1891 <i>r</i>	De Motte, Mary (<i>Doering</i>)
1888 <i>m</i>	Bowen, Mary E., M. D.	1874 <i>r</i>	Denning, Lou B.
1897 <i>m</i>	Bowne, Ida May (<i>Manfre</i>)	1882 <i>m</i>	DeVine, Esther J. (<i>Williams</i>)
1899	Brouse, Louise T. (N. W.)	1888	Dickerson, Augusta (Phila.)
1871 <i>m</i>	Brown, Maria (<i>Davis</i>)	1903 <i>m</i>	Diem, Lydia (<i>Wengel</i>)
1891 <i>r</i>	Bryan, Mary E., M. D.	1894 <i>r</i>	Donahue, Julia M., M. D.
1880	Budden, Annie (N. Y.)	1884 <i>d</i>	Downey, Clara A.
1900 <i>m</i>	Bumgardner, Lucy M. (<i>Morton</i>)	1899	Driebelbeis, Caroline (N. Y.)
1898 <i>r</i>	Burman, Matilda	1890 <i>r</i>	Dudley, Hannah
1879 <i>r</i>	Bushnell, Kate C., M. D.	1892	Dunmore, Effie (Phila.)
1894 <i>m</i>	Butcher, Annie (<i>Hewes</i>)	1894	Easton, Celesta (Pac.)
1875 <i>d</i>	Campbell Letitia A.	1878	Easton, S. A. (Cinn.)
1876 <i>m</i>	Carey, Mary F. (<i>Davis</i>)	1903	Eddy, Mrs. S. M. (Cinn.)
1887	Carleton May E., M. D. (N. Y.)		
1888 <i>d</i>	Carroll, Mary E.		

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1901	Edmonds, Agnes, M. D. (Des M.)	1881	Hampton, Minnie S. (N. Y.)
1901	Edmunds, Margaret J. (Cinn.)	1885	Hardie, Eva M. (Cinn.)
1894	Elicker, Anna R. (Des M.)	1892	Harrington, Susan (<i>Cousland</i>)
1879	Elliot, Margaret (<i>Wilson</i>)	1897	Harris, Lillian, M. D.
1897	Elliott, Martelle (N. Y.)	1892	Harris, Mary W. (<i>Folwell</i>)
1895	Elliott, Mary C. (<i>Stephens</i>)	1893	Harris, Nellie
1885	Elliot, Mary J.	1887	Hartford, Mabel C. (N. E.)
1900	Ellis, Ida (Minn.)	1884	Harvey, Emily L. (N. E.)
1884	English, Fannie M. (N. Y.)	1874	Hastings, Mary
1899	Ernsberger, Emma, M. D. (Cinn.)	1893	Heaton, Carrie A. (N. W.)
1888	Ernsberger, I., M. D.	1892	Hebinger, Josephine (<i>Snuggs</i>)
1900	Estey, Ethel M. (N. Y.)	1884	Hedrick, M. C. (<i>Miles</i>)
1895	Evans, Alice A. (Des M.)	1898	Hemingway, E. A. (N. E.)
1883	Everding, Emma J.	1901	Henkle, Nainette (Des M.)
1899	Ewers, Harriet E. (<i>Lyons</i>)	1884	Hewett, Eleanor J. (Phila.)
1903	Fenderich, Norma H. (Phila.)	1886	Hewett, Elizabeth (N. W.)
1892	Ferris, Emma E. (<i>Shellabear</i>)	1903	Hewitt, Helen (N. W.)
1887	Field, Nellie H.	1878	Higgins, Susan B.
1888	Files, Estella M. (N. Y.)	1900	Hillman, Mary R. (Cinn.)
1887	Fincham, Ella B.	1872	Hoag, L. H., M. D. (N. Y.)
1884	Fisher, Elizabeth (<i>Brewster</i>)	1895	Hodge, Emma, M. D. (<i>Worrell</i>)
1896	Fisher, Fannie F. (N. W.)	1892	Hoge, Elizabeth (Cinn.)
1889	Forbes, Ella R. (<i>Phillips</i>)	1901	Holbrook, Ella, (Pac.)
1893	Foster, Eva M. (Col. R.)	1878	Holbrook, Mary J. (<i>Chappell</i>)
1901	Foster, Carrie (Des M.)	1900	Hollman, Charlotte J. (Pac.)
1898	Forster, Miriam (N. W.)	1877	Howard, Leonora, M. D. (<i>King</i>)
1889	French, Anna S. (<i>Freyer</i>)	1884	Howard, Meta, M. D.
1891	Frey, Celia M.	1879	Howe, Delia A.
1893	Frey, Lulu E. (Cinn.)	1872	Howe, Gertrude, (N. W.)
1886	Fuller, Delia A.	1881	Hoy, Ellen I. (<i>Lawson</i>)
1887	Gallimore, Anna (Balto.)	1895	Hu King Eng, M. D. (Phila.)
1894	Galloway, Helen R. (Des M.)	1883	Hugaboom, Marion
1879	Gheer, Jennie M. (N. Y.)	1887	Hughes, Mary (<i>Ernsberger</i>)
1878	Gibson, Eugenia (<i>Mitchell</i>)	1883	Hyde, Laura, M. D. (<i>Foote</i>)
1880	Gilchrist, Ella, M. D.	1888	Hyde, Minnie J. (<i>Wilson</i>)
1896	Gilman, Gertrude, (N. E.)	1897	Hyde, Nettie M. (Des M.)
1903	Glassburner, Mamie (Des M.)	1899	Illingworth, Charlotte (Phila.)
1898	Glenk E. Marguerite (N. Y.)	1889	Imhof, Louisa, (Topeka)
1885	Gloss, Anna M., M. D. (N. W.)	1899	Ingram Helen, (Minn.)
1892	Glover, Ella J. (N. E.)	1902	Jackson, C. Ethel (N. W.)
1880	Goodenough, Julia E. (<i>Hudson</i>)	1898	Jacobsen, Alma
1895	Goodin, E. S.	1884	Jewell, Carrie I. (Cinn.)
1876	Green, Lucilla H., M. D. (<i>Cheney</i>)	1883	Jewell, Mrs. C. M. (N. Y.)
1886	Green, Nellie R.	1903	Jones, Dorothy, (N. W.)
1894	Greene, Lily D. (N. W.)	1894	Johnson, Anna
1899	Gregg, Mary E. (Des M.)	1888	Johnson, Ella (<i>Kinnear</i>)
1889	Griffiths, Mary B. (Des M.)	1886	Kaulback, Anna L. (<i>Wilson</i>)
1878	Guelphi, Cecelia	1892	Keeler, Anna C. (<i>Manson</i>)
1903	Guthapfel, Minerva L. (Phila.)	1880	Kelly, Luella
1891	Haefel, Louisa, (Phila.)	1891	Kemper, Harriet
1888	Hale, Lillian G. (<i>Scott-Welday</i>)	1891	Kennedy, Mary E. (<i>Corc</i>)
1885	Hall, Emma M.	1881	Kerr, Harriet
1883	Hamisfar, F. N., M. D.	1888	Ketring, Mary, M. D.
1900	Hammond, Alice J. (<i>Sharp</i>)	1896	Khan, Ida, M. D. (N. W.)
1892	Hammond, Rebecca J.	1894	Kidwell, Lola M. (Cinn.)
		1895	Kissick, S. E. (<i>McCartney</i>)
		1900	Kneeland, Bertha E. (N. E.)
		1881	Knowles, Emma L. (N. E.)
		1902	Kurtz, Alice W. (Phila.)
		1885	Kyle, Theresa J. (Phila.)
		1897	Lamb, Emma L.
		1884	Latimer, Laura

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1892	r Lauck, Ada J.	1902	Montgomery, Urdell (Top'ka)
1885	m Lauck, Sarah (<i>Parson</i>)	1901	r Moore, M. Alice
1886	Lawson, Anna E. (Des M.)	1900	Moots, Mrs. Cornelia
1892	Lawson Christine (N. Y.)	1899	Moyer, Jennie E. (N. Y.)
1878	d Layton, M. E.	1878	r Mulliner, Clara
1897	Lebeus Martha (Cinn.)		
1894	m Lee, Irene	1892	r Neiger, Lillian
1903	Lee, Mabel (Minn.)	1898	Newton, Marion (N. W.)
1884	LeHuray, Eleanor (N. Y.)	1896	Nicholls, Elizabeth (N. Y.)
1873	m Leming, Sarah (<i>Shepherd</i>)	1894	Nichols, Florence (N. E.)
1897	Lewis, Amy G. (Balto.)	1880	d Nickerson, Florence
1891	Lewis, Ella A. (Balto.)	1899	Nicolaisen, Martha L. (Minn.)
1901	Lewis, Margaret D., M. D. (N. W.)	1903	Northrup, Alice M. (N. W.)
		1900	Norton, Anna J., M. D. (Cinn.)
1897	Lilly, May B. (Col. R.)		
1891	Limburger, Anna R. (Phila.)	1900	Ogders, Eva (N. W.)
1895	Linam, Alice. (N. Y.)	1891	Ogborn, Kate L. (Des M.)
1897	Livermore, Melva A. (Topeka)	1876	d Ogden, Henrietta C.
1899	Livingstone, Kate	1903	Olson, Mary E. (Minn.)
1891	r Locke, Jennie	1900	Organ, Clara M. (N. E.)
1898	Longstreet, I. D. (N. W.)	1894	m Otto, Alice M. (<i>Selby</i>)
1898	Loper, I. Grace (N. Y.)		
1874	m Lore, Julia A., M. D. (<i>McGrew</i>)	1892	Paine, Josephine O. (N. E.)
1884	d Loyd, Mary DeF.	1900	Pak, Esther Kim, M.D. (Phila.)
1890	Lyon, M. Ellen, M. D. (N. W.)	1888	d Pardoe, Mary E. V.
		1889	r Parker, Theda A.
1888	m McBurnie, Susan (<i>Bond</i>)	1899	Parkinson, Phoebe A. (Col. R.)
1886	r McDowell, Kate, M. D.	1890	Perkins, A. Fannie, (Des M.)
1893	m McGregor, Catherine, M. D. (<i>Boomer</i>)	1888	m Perrine, Florence (<i>Mansell</i>)
1883	m McKesson, Mary (<i>Conkling</i>)	1903	Peters, Jessie, (N. W.)
1900	d McKibben, Martha	1894	Peters, Mary (N. W.)
1900	McKinley, Mary V. (N. W.)	1888	Peters, Sarah (N. W.)
1901	McKnight, Isabel (Topeka)	1889	Phelps, Frances E. (Des M.)
1871	m McMillan, Carrie (<i>Buck</i>)	1897	Pierce, Nellie (Phila.)
1899	Manning, Ella (N. W.)	1902	Pierce, Thirza M. (N. W.)
1884	m Mansell, Hester V. (<i>Monroe</i>)	1900	Plumb, Florence (N. Y.)
1894	Marks, Lillian R. (Pac.)	1903	Poole, Lydia (Des M.)
1901	Marriott, Jessie A. (N. E.)	1896	m Porter, Charlotte J.
1897	Martin, Clara (Minn.)	1871	m Porter, Mary Q. (<i>Gamerwell</i>)
1900	Martin, Elizabeth	1886	d Pray, Susan, M. D.
1900	Martin, Emma E., M. D. (N. W.)	1878	r Priest, Mary
1898	Maskell, Florence W. (Des M.)	1872	d Pultz, Elizabeth M.
1874	d Mason, Letitia, M. D. (<i>Quine</i>)	1896	Purdy, Caroline M. (Phila.)
1892	Masters, Luella, M. D. (N. W.)	1902	Pyne, Rosa M. (Des M.)
1888	Maxey, Elizabeth (N. Y.)		
1898	Means, Alice (Cinn.)	1900	Rasmussen, Helen E., Mrs. (N. Y.)
1896	Means, Mary (Cinn.)	1884	Reed, Mary
1900	Meek, Mrs. Mary C. (N. Y.)	1900	Rigby, Luella (Des M.)
1900	d Mekkleson, Josephine	1902	Robbins, Henrietta (N. Y.)
1897	Melton, Mary E. (N. W.)	1903	Robinson, Helen (N. Y.)
1896	Merrill, C. E. (N. W.)	1884	Robinson, Mary C. (N. W.)
1894	Meyer, Fannie E. (Des M.)	1900	Robinson, Ruth E. (Balto.)
1881	d Michenor, Emma	1889	m Rogers, Anna M. (<i>Furness</i>)
1900	Miller, Lula A. (N. Y.)	1887	r Rothweiler, Louisa C.
1900	Miller, Martha J. (Des. M.)	1893	Rouse, Wilma H. (Minn.)
1886	r Miller, Oriel.	1881	d Rowe, Phoebe
1901	Miller, Sarah H. (N. E.)	1900	Rowley, Mary L. (N. W.)
1888	Mitchell, Emma L. (N. Y.)	1900	Ruddick, Elizabeth May (N. E.)
1873	m Monelle, Nancy, M. D. (<i>Mansell</i>)	1886	m Rulofson, G. M. (<i>Thompson</i>)
		1879	Russell, Elizabeth (Cinn.)
		1895	r Russell, Martha H.
		1899	m Samson, Carrie J. (<i>Sunder</i>)
		1884	d Schenck, Linna M.

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1874	m Schoonmaker, Dora (<i>Soper</i>)	1897	r Todd, Grace
1896	Scott, Emma, M. D. (Cinn.)	1874	m Trask, Sigourney, M. D. (<i>Cowles</i>)
1889	Scott, Fannie A. (Cinn.)	1903	Travis, Grace B. (N. Y.)
1885	Scranton, Mrs. M. F.	1889	Trimble, Lydia A. (Des M.)
1880	d Sears, Annie B.	1895	r Tryon, Elizabeth V.
1890	Seeds, Leonora H. (Cinn.)	1890	m Tucker, Grace (<i>Tague</i>)
1902	Seeds, Mabel K. (N. W.)	1902	Turner, Sarah B. (Phila.)
1889	Sellers, Ruth E. (Cinn.)	1902	Tuttle, Mary B., M. D. (Topeka)
1879	r Sharpe, Mary		
1887	Shaw, Ella C. (N. W.)		
1888	Sheldon, Martha A., M. D. (N. E.)	1889	m Van Dorsten, Amelia (<i>Lawyer</i>)
1890	m Sherwood, R. M. D. (<i>Hall</i>) (N. Y.)	1887	d Vance, Mary A. (<i>Belknap</i>)
1895	Shockley, Mary E. (Cinn.)	1881	Van Petten, Mrs. Carrie (N. W.)
1902	Sia Mabel (Des M.)	1898	Varney, L. W. (Topeka)
1903	Siddell, Adelaide, (N. E.)	1891	Vickery, M. Ella, (N. W.)
1889	d Simons, Maud E.		
1894	Singer, Florence E. (Phila.)		
1900	Singh, Lilavati (N. W.)	1896	r Waidman, Isabel
1890	m Sites, Ruth M. (<i>Brown</i>)	1891	m Walton, Ida B. (<i>Multer</i>)
1902	Slate, Anna B. (Phila.)	1880	m Warner, Ellen H. (<i>Fox</i>)
1884	Smith, Lida B. (N. Y.)	1874	m Warner, Susan M. (<i>Densmore</i>)
1902	Soper, Maude E. (Phila.)	1883	Watson, Rebecca J. (Topeka)
1900	Southard, Ada J. (Des M.)	1903	Waugh, Nora Belle (Cinn.)
1870	r Sparkes, Fannie J.	1902	Weaver, Georgia (N. Y.)
1878	m Sparr, Julia A., M. D. (<i>Coffin</i>)	1901	Wells, Elizabeth (Des M.)
1902	Spaulding, Winifred (Topeka)	1895	Wells, Phebe (N. Y.)
1896	m Spears, Katherine A. (<i>Collier</i>)	1902	Wescott, Pauline E. (N. W.)
1880	m Spence, Mattie B. (<i>Perrie</i>)	1881	m Wheeler, Frances J. (<i>Verity</i>)
1896	r Spencer, Clarissa E.	1903	Wheeler, Maude (N. W.)
1878	Spencer, Matilda A. (Phila.)	1891	White, Laura M. (Phila.)
1892	Stahl, Josephine (N. W.)	1876	m Whiting, Olive (<i>Bishop</i>)
1892	m Stanton, Alice M. (<i>Woodruff</i>)	1896	m Widdifield, Flora M. (<i>Chew</i>)
1899	m Stearns, Mary P. (<i>Badley</i>)	1892	Wilkinson, Lydia A. (Des M.)
1889	Steere, Anna E. (N. W.)	1901	m Williams, Christina (<i>Hall</i>)
1890	Stephens, Grace (Balto.)	1900	Williams, Mary E. (Phila.)
1895	m Sterling, Florence (<i>Leath</i>)	1896	m Wilson, Fannie C. (<i>Alexander</i>)
1890	Stevenson, Ida B., M. D., (Topeka)	1889	Wilson, Frances O. (Des M.)
1901	Stockwell, Emma (Topeka)	1889	m Wilson, Mary E. (<i>Buchanan</i>)
1901	Stockwell, Grace (Des M.)	1894	Wilson, Minnie E. (N. W.)
1903	Stone, Anna (Minn.)	1894	Wilson, Mary E. (N. W.)
1896	Stone, Mary, M. D., (Des M.)	1901	Winslow, Anna S. (Topeka)
1902	Stumpf, Susanna M. (Des M.)	1885	Wisner, Julia E. (Cinn.)
1896	r Suderstrom, Anna	1903	Wood, Bertha L. (Phila.)
1888	Sullivan, Lucy (Cinn.)	1892	Wood, Catherine (Des M.)
1869	r Swain, Clara A., M. D.	1889	Wood, Elsie (N. Y.)
1878	Swaney, Mary F. (Topeka)	1901	Woods, Grace W. (N. W.)
1902	Swift, Edith M. (N. W.)	1880	d Woodworth, Kate (<i>Quinn</i>)
1903	Swormstedt, Virginia R. (Cinn.)	1871	d Woolston, Beulah
		1878	d Woolston, Henrietta, M. D.
		1871	r Woolston, Sarah H.
		1895	Wright, Laura S. (N. W.)
1895	Taft, Gertrude, M. D. (Pac.)		
1889	m Taylor, Martha E. (<i>Callahan</i>)	1880	r Yates, Elizabeth U.
1902	Temple, Laura (N. Y.)	1892	Young, Effie G. (N. E.)
1887	Terry, Edna G., M. D. (N. E.)	1897	Young, Mariana (Cinn.)
1869	d Thoburn, Isabella		
1903	Thomas, Hester A. (Cinn.)	1898	d Zentmire, Cora (<i>Brewster</i>)
1889	m Thompson, Anna (<i>Stephens</i>)		
1890	r Thompson, E.		
1871	m Tinsley, Jennie M. (<i>Waugh</i>)		
1900	Tippet, Mrs. Susan (Balto.)		
1896	Todd, Althea M. (N. E.)		

Missionaries	486
Medical	55
Married	88
Retired	57
Deceased	35

Real Estate

BELONGING TO THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY
SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE

Almorah—Epworth Sanitarium	\$ 2,830.00
Bareilly Hospital	13,000.00
“ Orphanage	11,000.00
Bhot	1,000.00
Bijnour—Boarding School	3,000.00
Budaon	5,650.00
Gonda	2,500.00
Hardoi—Boarding Home	3,000.00
Lucknow—College, Home, etc.	56,600.00
Moradabad	9,500.00
Naini Tal—Boarding School	26,600.00
Pauri—Boarding School and Orphanage	11,000.00
Pithoragarh—Boarding School and Woman's Home	6,441.00
Shajahanpur—Bidwell Memorial School and Bungalow	7,000.00
Sitapur—Boarding School	8,801.00
Total	\$167,922.00

NORTH WEST INDIA

Agra—Medical Home	\$ 2,720.00
Ajmer—Boarding School and Marks Hall	13,335.00
Aligarh—Louisa Soule's Orphanage	12,528.00
Brindaban—Mabel Calder Home and Dispensary	4,600.00
Cawnpore—Hudson Hall and English School	32,000.00
Meerut—Howard Pledest Memorial School	10,860.00
Muttra—Blackstone Institute	16,800.00
Phalera—Orphanage and industrial School	7,600.00
Total	\$100,443.00

SOUTH INDIA

Haiderabad—Stanley Home	\$10,000.00
“ Zenana Home	6,000.00
Kolar—Wm. Gamble Deaconess Home	5,000.00
“ Orphanage and Darby Hall	5,000.00
“ Widows' Home	2,103.00
Madras—Harriet Bond Skidmore School, Baltimore Memorial Home and Northwestern Memorial Home . .	33,333.00
Raipur	500.00
Sironcha—Mary J. Clark Memorial	6,800.00
Vicarabad	1,000.00
Total	<u>\$69,736.00</u>

BOMBAY

Baroda—Orphanage	\$2,000.00
Bombay—Boarding School and Home	25,000.00
Khandwa	500.00
Jabalpur—Orphanage and Boarding School	12,000.00
“ Deaconess Home	5,000.00
Total	<u>\$44,500.00</u>

BENGAL

Asansol—Widows' Home	\$1,500.00
“ Evangelistic Home	1,000.00
Darjeeling—Queen's Hill School (Crandon Hall, The Repose, Almira Hall and Pierce Building)	33,000.00
Muzaffarpur—Dispensary	3,516.00
Total	<u>\$39,016.00</u>

BURMA

Rangoon—High School	\$20,000.00
“ Charlotte O'Neal Institute	20,000.00
Pegu—Mission	150.00
Total	<u>\$40,150.00</u>

MALAYSIA

Kuala Lumpur—School	\$15,000.00
Penang	7,000.00
Singapore—Mary C. Nind Home	25,000.00
“ School	7,500.00
Taiping—School	10,000.00
Total	<u>\$64,500.00</u>

NORTH CHINA

Peking	\$19,000.00
Tientsin—Isabel Fisher Hospital, etc.	19,000.00
Tsun Hua	8,000.00
Total	<u>\$46,000.00</u>

CENTRAL CHINA

Chin Kiang—Home, School and Hospital	\$13,316.00
Kiu Kiang—Elizabeth S. Danforth Hospital	4,000.00
Nan Chang	7,000.00
Nan King—Home and School	7,000.00
Total	<u>\$31,316.00</u>

WEST CHINA

Chung King—Home	\$4,000.00
“ School	2,000.00
“ Wm. A. Gamble Hospital	5,000.00
Pine Ridge Bungalow	50.00
Total	<u>\$11,050.00</u>

FOO CHOW

Foochow—Boarding School and Residence	\$14,000.00
“ Woman's School and Residence	4,500.00
“ Two Hospitals and Residence	11,100.00
“ Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage	3,100.00
Hok Chiang—School	4,500.00
Ku Cheng—School	3,950.00
“ Woman's Training School	2,250.00
“ School Compound	722.00
Total	<u>\$44,122.00</u>

HING HUA

Hing Hua—Juliet Turner Memorial School	\$3,300.00
“ Hamilton Boarding School	8,500.00
“ Home	5,500.00
“ Day School and Bible Women’s Home	500.00
Anton	513.00
Sieng Iu—Isabel Hart Memorial School	5,400.00
“ Frieda Heim Woman’s Training School	2,000.00
Total	\$25,713.00

KOREA

Seoul—Home and School	\$13,000.00
“ Dispensary	600.00
“ East Gate, Scranton Home	2,000.00
“ “ Dispensary	300.00
“ “ Baldwin Chapel	250.00
Pyeng Yang—Home, Hospital and Dispensary	1,500.00
Total	\$17,650.00

NORTH JAPAN

Hakodate—School and Home	\$13,500.00
Hirosaki	1,000.00
Total	\$14,500.00

CENTRAL JAPAN

Nagoya	\$8,600.00
Sendai—Ladies Home	5,000.00
Tokyo—Industrial School	3,000.00
“ Aoyama	20,000.00
“ Tsukiji	8,500.00
“ Asakusa Day School	500.00
Yokohama—Maud E. Simons Memorial	4,000.00
“ Higgins Memorial Home and Training School	12,500.00
“ Yamabukicho—School	1,200.00
“ Kanagawa—Kindergarten	50.00
“ Don Tarbore School	200.00
Total	\$63,550.00

SOUTH JAPAN

Fukuoko	\$12,000.00
Koga—Orphanage	5 000.00
Nagasaki—Home and School	50,000.00
Total	<u>\$67,000.00</u>

MEXICO

Guanajuato—School	\$10,000.00
Mexico City—Orphanage	50,000.00
Miraflores—School	1,000.00
Pachuca—School	20,000.00
Puebla—Normal Institute	25,000.00
Total	<u>\$106,000.00</u>

SOUTH AMERICA

Montevideo—School and Home	\$22,700.00
Rosario—Home	9,300.00
Total	<u>\$32,000.00</u>

BULGARIA

Lovetch—School and Home	\$6,500.00
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ITALY

Rome—Crandon Hall	\$75,000.00
“ Home	20,000.00
Total	<u>\$95,000.00</u>

SUMMARY

North India Conference	\$167,922.00
North West India	100,443.00
South India	69,736.00
Bombay	44,509.09
Bengal	39,016.00
Burma	40,150.00
Malaysia	64,500.00
North China	46,000.00
Central China	31,316.00

West China	\$11,050.00
Foochow	44,122.00
Hing Hua	25,713.00
Korea	17,650.00
North Japan	14,500.00
Central Japan	63,550.00
South Japan	67,000.00
Mexico	106,000.00
South America	32,000.00
Bulgaria	6,500.00
Italy	95,000.00
Total	<u>\$1,086,668.00</u>

Committee on Titles of Real Estate:

MRS. WM. B. DAVIS,
MRS. CYRUS D. FOSS.

Constitution

OF THE

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called "THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH."

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending missionaries to the women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields and all forms of work carried on by the Society.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute Membership, and twenty dollars Life-Membership. Any person paying one hundred dollars shall become a Manager for Life, and the contribution of three hundred dollars shall constitute the donor a Patron for life.

ARTICLE IV.—ORGANIZATION.

The organization of this Society shall consist of a General Executive Committee, Co-ordinate Branches, District Associations, Auxiliary Societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

ARTICLE V.—GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION I. The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a General Executive Committee consisting of a President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, the Corresponding Secretary and two delegates from each Branch, the Literature Committee, Secretary of German work and the

Secretary of Scandinavian work. The President, Recording Secretary, General Treasurer, and Secretaries of German and Scandinavian Work shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee. The two delegates and reserves shall be elected at the Branch Annual Meetings. Said committee shall meet in Boston, the third Wednesday in April, 1870, and annually, or oftener, thereafter, at such time and place as the General Executive Committee shall annually determine.

SECTION 2. The duties of the General Executive Committee shall be:

First. To take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society as presented in the report of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries, and in the estimates of the needs of mission fields; to ascertain the financial condition of the Society; to appropriate its money in accordance with the purposes and method therein indicated; to devise means for carrying forward the work of the Society; fixing the amounts to be raised; employing new missionaries, designating their field of labor, examining the reports of those already employed, and arranging with the several branches the work to be undertaken by each.

Second. To transact any other business that the interests of the Society may demand, provided all the plans and directions of the committee shall be in harmony with the provisions of the Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.—PERMANENT COMMITTEES OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE.

1. The Committee of Reference shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, and organize by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency that would come before the General Executive Committee, arising in the interim of its sessions, shall be submitted to this committee, and decided by a majority vote.

4. The Chairman shall send each resolution that is submitted to the committee to each member, and when all have returned their votes, the Recording Secretary shall declare the result, and record both resolutions and votes.

5. The committee shall present a full report of its action during the year to the General Executive Committee for approval and permanent record.

6. This committee shall hold a semi-annual meeting, at such time and place as shall be designated by the Chairman and Secretary. The expenses of this meeting shall be paid from the general treasury.

CONSTITUTIONAL PUBLICATION COMMITTEE.

1. This committee shall be composed of the Branch Corresponding Secretaries.

2. It shall meet and organize immediately after the adjournment of the General Executive Committee, by the election of a Chairman and Secretary.

3. All cases of emergency concerning publications, arising in the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be submitted to the Constitutional Publication Committee, and the case shall be decided by the majority vote.

4. This committee shall take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society, and shall have supervision of all business concerning the publications. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

5. The publisher shall give the Chairman an itemized report of the receipts and expenditures of the periodicals properly audited, by the first of October. If she finds it necessary to deviate from the published instructions of the General Executive Committee, she shall lay the matter before this committee, and be subject to its direction. She shall report semi-annually to the Constitutional Publication Committee.

6. A committee of three shall be appointed annually by the Constitutional Publication Committee, to whom shall be intrusted the investment and control of the funds of these publications.

7. The publisher shall commence and close her financial year with October 1.

8. If the office of editor, publisher or member of Literature Committee becomes vacant during the year this committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

There shall be a Literature Committee of three whose duty it shall be to provide all the literature of the Society, except the periodicals and General Executive Committee's report.

ARTICLE VII.—CO-ORDINATE BRANCHES.

SECTION I. Co-ordinate Branches of this Society on their acceptance of this relationship under the provisions of the Constitution, may be organized in accordance with the following general plan for districting the territory of the Church.

NAME.	STATES INCLUDED.	HEADQUARTERS.
New England Branch,	- - - - - New England States.	Boston, Mass.
New York Branch,	- - - - - New York, New Jersey.	New York, N. Y.
Philadelphia Branch,	- - - - - Pennsylvania and Delaware.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Baltimore Branch,	- - - - - Maryland, District of Columbia, Eastern Virginia, N. and S. Carolina, Georgia and Florida.	Baltimore, Md.
Cincinnati Branch,	- - - - - Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee.	Cincinnati, O.
Northwestern Branch,	- - - - - Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin.	Chicago, Ill.
Des Moines Branch,	- - - - - Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana.	Des Moines, Iowa.
Minneapolis Branch,	- - - - - Minnesota, North and South Dakota.	Minneapolis, Minn.
Topeka Branch,	- - - - - Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.	Topeka, Kan.
Pacific Branch,	- - - - - California, Nevada, Arizona, and Hawaii.	Los Angeles, Cal.
Columbia River Branch,	- - - - - Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.	Portland, Ore.

This plan, however, may be changed by an affirmative vote of three-fourths of the members of the General Executive Committee present at any annual meeting of the same.

SEC. 2. The officers of each Branch shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor and such other officers as shall be necessary for the efficient work of the Branch. These with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an Executive Committee for the administration of the affairs of the Branch, nine of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Branch, and shall continue in office until others are chosen in their stead.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of the work assigned to the Branch by the General Executive Committee, provide for all the needs, and receive reports from all forms of work carried on by the Society, who, by the plan of the General Executive Committee, are to be supported by the Branch.

SEC. 4. No Branch shall project new work, or undertake the support of new missionaries, except by the direction or with the approval of the General Executive Committee.

SEC. 5. Each Branch may make such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.—DISTRICT ASSOCIATIONS.

District Associations shall be formed wherever practicable; said associations to have supervision of all auxiliaries within their limits.

ARTICLE IX.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women who shall contribute annually may form a society auxiliary to that Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, within whose prescribed territorial limits they may reside, by appointing a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, and Supervisor of Children's work, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

ARTICLE X.—RELATING TO THE MISSIONARY AUTHORITIES OF THE CHURCH.

SEC. 1. This Society shall work in harmony with and under the supervision of the authorities of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The appointment, recall, and remuneration of missionaries, and the designation of their fields of labor shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Managers of the Missionary

Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and annual appropriations to mission fields shall be submitted for revision and approval to the General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SEC. 2. All missionaries sent out by this Society shall labor under the direction of the particular Conference or Mission of the Church in which they may be severally employed. They shall be annually appointed by the President of the Conference or Mission, and shall be subject to the same rules of removal that govern the other missionaries.

SEC. 3. All the work of the Woman's Society in foreign lands shall be under the direction of the Conferences or Missions and their committees in exactly the same manner as the work of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder having the same relation to the work and the person in charge of it that he would have were it a work in the charge of any member of the Conference or Mission.

SEC. 4. The funds of the Society shall not be raised by collections or subscriptions taken during any of our regular church services, nor in any Sunday-School, but shall be raised by such methods as the Constitution of the Society shall provide, none of which shall interfere with the contributions of our people and Sunday-Schools for the treasury of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the amount so collected shall be reported by the pastor to the annual Conference, and be entered in a column among the benevolent collections in the Annual and General minutes.

SEC. 5. Section 4 of this Article shall not be so interpreted as to prevent the women from taking collections in meetings convened in the interests of their societies; nor from securing memberships and life memberships in audiences where their work is represented, nor from holding festivals, or arranging lectures in the interest of their work.

ARTICLE XI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting; but Article X shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

By-Laws

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

I.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society.

2. The Recording Secretary shall keep a full record of all proceedings of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and place the same in the safe of the Publication Office.

She shall present at the anniversary of the Society a report of the year's work. She shall also forward to our foreign treasurers, as soon as practicable after adjournment of the General Executive Committee, a copy of the appropriations for each mission.

II.—BRANCH CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES.

1. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall superintend all the interests of their respective Branches; conduct the correspondence of the Society with foreign missionaries; be present at all Branch, annual, and quarterly meetings, and present a quarterly report of the work of the Branch, and give to the public, or direct to be given, all communications and plans of the business of their respective Branches.

2. Each Corresponding Secretary shall be required to furnish in her report to the General Executive Committee the following items: Number of Auxiliary Societies, members, life members, honorary patrons and managers, subscribers to the *Woman's Missionary Friend* and the receipts of the Treasurer. In her report of the foreign work she shall include the number of missionaries, Bible readers, boarding schools, and orphans supported by her Branch.

III.—BRANCH TREASURERS.

1. Branch Treasurers shall be required to publish quarterly in the *Woman's Missionary Friend* their reports of moneys received.

2. The financial year of the Society shall commence October 1. Branch Treasurers will close their accounts for the year by September 30.

3. The money received from annual memberships shall not be used to make Life Members, Managers or Patrons. Life Memberships shall be made by the payment of twenty dollars, given specifically for that purpose. If in installments, the financial payment shall be made as soon as practicable, and the membership reported as complete only when that has been done; all the installments to be credited on the Treasurer's book and acknowledged in the *Woman's Missionary Friend*.

4. In case any Branch is unable to meet the obligations it has assumed, any other Branch may, by the action of the Executive Board, be permitted to use its surplus funds in aid of the Branch deficient.

5. Any bequest or donation made to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be paid to the Treasurer of the Branch within whose territory the bequest or donation is made, unless otherwise specified by the donor.

IV.—SECRETARY OF LITERATURE.

There shall be a Secretary of Literature elected by each Branch, whose duty it shall be to assist the Literature Committee through correspondence, by suggestions, by presenting the needs of their respective Branches, and aiding in any other way the Literature Committee may desire. It shall also be the duty of the Branch Literature Secretary to advance the interests and increase the circulation of our literature and publications in every possible way. She shall have charge in connection with the Literature Committee of the exhibition and sale of our literature at the various public gatherings and conventions throughout the country, the expenses to be borne by the Branch where the convention meets. When, as frequently occurs, the Epworth League, Student Volunteer or other convention is held outside of our own country, this duty shall belong to the standing Literature Committee.

V.—GENERAL SECRETARIES.

There shall be a General Secretary of Young Woman's Work and Standard Bearer Companies and a General Secretary of King's Heralds and Little Light Bearers, who shall be elected each year by the General Executive Committee.

VI.—FOREIGN TREASURERS.

1. The Foreign Treasurers shall forward their estimates, properly approved and printed, if possible, to each Corresponding Secretary before October 1.

2. The Treasurers in the foreign field are instructed, upon receiving remittances, to forward immediately receipt for the same; also to forward semi-annually, January 1 and July 1, a financial statement together with balance in United States currency to the Branch Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Any appropriation which, for any reason, is not required on the field, shall be so reported by the Treasurer on each April 1 and October 1.

3. The appropriations for the foreign fields shall be paid on the basis of the currency of the country, the exchange therefrom accruing to our treasury with the exception of the salaries of the missionaries and buildings, which shall be paid on the basis of American gold.

4. The funds of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be entirely under the control of the General Executive Committee, to be used only for the purpose designated by that committee. Our missionaries shall not exceed in expenditure the amount appropriated by the General Executive Committee. Emergencies arising during the year can be met only by application, properly endorsed by the missionary authorities, to the Committee of Reference.

5. If any surplus funds remain in the Foreign Treasuries from unused appropriations, exchange, or any other source, they must be reported to the Branches, and held subject to the order of the Secretary of the Branch from whose moneys they accrue.

VII.—OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall correspond with the missionaries, so as to be able to present a full report of the work in each mission, such information to be presented to the General Executive Committee, the fields assigned to the several Secretaries to be arranged by themselves.

VIII.—INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONARIES.

We call the attention of the missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society especially to Article X, Section 3, of Constitution, in compliance with which they will consult the Superintendent of the mission in which they are laboring on all general plans of their work, and advise with him as to the most effective measures to be taken in the purchase of property, building and any important undertaking belonging to their special interest.

1. They are expected to attend the annual meeting or Conference of their mission, that they may confer with other members of the mis-

sion upon all topics connected with their own department, and will report quarterly to the Superintendent.

2. They will be expected to devote their entire time and attention to their legitimate work, as all their temporal necessities will be provided for by the Society.

3. They are required to send quarterly reports to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch having charge of their work, and the action of the General Executive Committee will be communicated to them through the Recording Secretary of the Reference Committee.

The General Executive Committee of 1901 authorized the formation of a Field Reference Committee in each of the annual Conferences or missions in foreign fields, each Field Reference Committee to be elected annually by its respective annual Conference or mission.

4. Each Field Reference Committee shall be composed of such workers as each conference or mission shall elect. The duty of said Field Reference Committee shall be to consider all matters of general interest arising during the interim of their annual meetings or conferences, and to report the same to the Reference Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. No communication to the Home Reference Committee shall be considered official without the signature of the Chairman or Secretary of the Field Reference Committee. Said Field Reference Committee may meet at stated times, or on call, according to their discretion. A majority vote of said Reference Committee shall be binding. Any action requiring the sanction of the home authorities must be made through the Field Reference Committee. This measure is intended in no way to prevent individual presentation to home authorities, but simply to indicate and maintain the purposes of the mission, or conference as a unit.

5. They shall incur no expense during the year to be met by this Society for which the estimate has not previously been submitted to, and approved by the General Executive Committee at its annual meeting.

6. They shall credit to the Society all donations received for the support of their work, and annually report the same with their financial statement.

7. All solicitations for funds for special work must be made through the proper official authorities, and missionaries are instructed not to apply to private sources for aid or support of their work.

8. The estimate for conveyances, munshis and teachers shall be included in the estimates for Bible-women and zenana workers.

9. The estimates for support of scholarships shall include the cost of fuel and lights, medicines, and any minor expenses that are included in the expense of maintaining schools.

10. A medical missionary shall be accountable to the Branch from which she was sent. She shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements, and report them quarterly to the Treasurer of the Mission, any surplus being remitted to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and her medical outfit shall be the property of the same.

11. If there prove to be a manifest unfitness for missionary labor, the General Executive Committee may cancel its obligations to a missionary whom it has appointed, three months' notice having been given to such appointee by the Committee of Reference, return passage to be paid by the Society, provided she return at the expiration of the three months.

12. A lady missionary desiring her expenses paid by the Society for a return home from any other cause than that of ill health, must secure permission from the General Executive Committee or Committee of Reference, through the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch supporting her.

13. All missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society are instructed not to adopt any child as their own, and are asked to give a promise that they will keep this rule.

14. All rules pertaining to the relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church with its missionaries shall be published in the general annual report.

15. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch by which any missionary is sent shall be required to sign the following contract: I,, Corresponding Secretary of Branch, by which the money is raised for the support of, agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to pay the traveling expenses of from the time of her leaving home to that of her arrival in her field of labor, and also her salary from the latter date. In case of illness, I agree, on the part of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, to submit a resolution to the General Executive Committee, or in the interim of its sessions, to the Committee of Reference, asking the privilege of her return home. Such permission being granted, I agree to pay her return passage; and in case her relations to the Society are harmonious, her salary for the first year shall be \$350.

If her health demands her to remain in this country, the second year she shall receive \$300; and if her detention at home is necessary

for a longer period, her case shall be in the hands of her Branch for adjustment.

In case of emergency demanding her immediate return home, she shall bring a certificate of disability from a physician and the superintendent of the mission.

We agree to furnish our missionaries with necessary outfit and \$100 for furniture, if needed, the same to be the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

All new missionaries and those returning after a five years' term of service, shall have a salary which includes all expenses hitherto classed as incidentals and shall be: In Africa, \$500; Bulgaria, \$600; Central China, Foochow and Hing Hua, \$600; North China, \$650; West China, \$450; India \$600; \$50 additional in Bombay City for house expenses; Italy, \$600; Japan, \$700; Korea, \$700; Malaysia, \$425; Mexico, \$750; South America, \$750.

First year's salaries: \$400, where full salary is \$425, \$450 where \$500; \$500, where \$600; \$525, where \$650; \$550, where \$650, \$700, where \$750.

16. We recommend, when practicable, that such an arrangement be made for the duties of our missionaries during the first year's service as shall allow them considerable time for the study of the language, and that their salary for that year shall be \$400, with \$150 for incidentals. Medical missionaries shall from the first receive full salary.

17. Each returned missionary shall be expected to attend the first General Executive Committee session after her return, and her traveling expenses to and from the place of meeting shall be met by the Branch supporting her, unless otherwise provided for. Missionaries returning home will please take notice that the charges on freight and duties are very large, and are requested to make these as light as possible, leaving heavy and unnecessary things in the country where they have been working.

18. We accept the relation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society to the authorities of the Church, and to our workers in the field, as interpreted by the delegated conference in India, in their session of 1881, as follows:

WHEREAS, Certain usages have grown up and been found acceptable and successful in connection with our older mission field in India, we deem it expedient to formulate the same in the following rules:

1. In general: The position of a lady missionary, placed in charge of work in connection with any of our circuits or stations, is the same as that of a second missionary or "junior preacher" to whom special work is assigned.

2. In particular: The general plan of work, such as establishing new schools, employing and dismissing head teachers, arranging terms of tuition, board, etc., and preparing a course of study, when these matters are not fixed by the Educational Committee, selecting classes of people among whom work may be more successfully carried on, arranging dispensaries and deciding the proportion of medical work to be given to natives and Europeans, Christians and non-Christians, etc., all such *general plans* shall be arranged by the lady in charge of the special departments of work, after free consultation with the Superintendent or Presiding Elder.

3. The lady missionary in charge of work has full liberty to do the work assigned her in her own way, and to carry out the internal arrangement of her department in the manner which she deems best adapted to secure success.

4. The relation of the Superintendent or Presiding Elder to the work under the charge of a lady is the same as it would be were it under the charge of a member of conference—he having a general advisory supervision, auditing the accounts (when not done by trustees), making suggestions, etc., exactly as with all the other work of his district.

5. Lady missionaries in charge of work, and all missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, are appointed by the President of Conference, at the same time and in the same manner that the appointments of conference are made. Should, however, a President of Conference at any time decline to so appoint, the Superintendent or Presiding Elder in Council will arrange the same.

6. All new buildings or expensive repairs or changes shall receive the sanction of Superintendent or Presiding Elder, even though no appropriations of money be asked.

7. A class of laborers is employed in our work, known as "assistants." In the employment or dismissal of these ladies, the consent of the Superintendent of Mission or of the Presiding Elder must be secured. They may be transferred by the Presiding Elder, with the consent of the lady in charge of the department in which they are employed. When these lady assistants, being members of our Church, by several years of faithful service, have come to be

received as belonging permanently to our body of laborers, they may, on the recommendation of the Woman's Society, when such exists, or by quarterly Conference, be formally recognized by Conference, and appointed the same as women missionaries are.

8. In case of a transfer of a woman missionary or an "assistant" from one Conference or charge to another, a written permission shall be secured, signed by Superintendent or Presiding Elder in whose jurisdiction the person may be employed, when, according to the condition in Rule 7, the engagement may be completed.

OFFICIAL RELATIONS OF LADY MISSIONARIES.

1. Definition of relations of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, as given by the Bishops in May, 1881.

"To the ladies of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society:

"To your questions we respectfully reply as follows:

"1st. We take the liberty to refer you to our action bearing date November 22, 1877, a copy of which is as follows:

TEACHERS IN MISSION SCHOOLS.

"1. In the judgment of the Bishops it is not within the right of the Superintendent of the mission to remove lay teachers from the schools to which they have been appointed, nor to interfere authoritatively with the internal arrangements of the schools, unless such right be expressly granted by the missionary authorities at New York.

"2. In case of difference between appointee and the Mission (including the Superintendent), which cannot be adjusted between the parties without unreasonable delay, we recommend that such difference, with the papers and facts, be referred by the parties to the Bishop in charge for final decision.

"3. It is our judgment that the missionaries sent by the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society should be permitted to be present at the meetings of the Mission and to speak on all the matters relating to their work.

Most respectfully and sincerely,

"WILLIAM L. HARRIS."

REQUIREMENTS OF MISSIONARY CANDIDATES.

1. Each Branch shall appoint a standing committee of five, of which the Branch Corresponding Secretary shall be chairman, who shall investigate the case of any candidate within the limits of the Branch, and shall supply such candidate with blank for health certificate and constitutional questions, to be filled out and answered by her; and when

practicable a personal interview shall be had with the woman by two or more of the committee before her papers are forwarded to the Reference Committee, or the Committee appointed at the General Executive meeting. The Corresponding Secretary of the Branch presenting missionary candidates shall have a personal interview with each woman presented before her final appointment to a foreign field.

2. A missionary candidate must believe herself Divinely called to the work of a foreign missionary, and assert her belief that she is actuated only by a desire to act in accordance with God's will.

3. She must indicate her ability to work in a foreign field by Christian usefulness at home.

4. She must declare her intention to make foreign missionary work the service of her effective years, and agree to give at least five years of continuous service, as a single woman, to the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, unless prevented by ill-health; this is not to be understood in the sense that the obligation to remain in the field ceases at five years, but that her obligation to refund passage and outfit money is binding for that length of time; she must also assert her willingness to labor in any field, though her preference is always to be taken into account.

5. The age of candidates must not be less than twenty-five, years, or more than thirty years. A special facility in acquiring languages, or call to English work, may be considered sufficient reason for deviation from this rule.

6. Financial and executive ability, and power of adaptation to circumstances, are essential qualifications.

7. She must present a certificate of health from a competent physician, and give satisfactory answers to the medical questions authorized by the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

8. Every missionary candidate is requested to sign the following contract:

"I,, agree to conform to the above requirements and conditions while in the employ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and failing in this, to refund the amount of outfit and passage money."

9. After the adoption of a missionary candidate, she shall be regarded as, under the direction of the General Executive Committee, and of the Committee of Reference, in the interim of the sessions of that committee.

10. The case of any accepted candidate not sent out during the year, shall be brought before the General Executive Committee at its next session.

11. The application of a missionary candidate with corresponding testimonials shall cover the following particulars: Health, adaptability to people and circumstances, executive ability, intellectual qualities and culture, religious experience and usefulness, and general fitness for the work.

First. Health, attested by a properly certified health certificate.

Second. Personal religious experience. Belief in the doctrines and identification with the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, experience and efficiency in christian work, conviction and call to Missionary work, and the intention to give to it the service of her life.

Third. Testimonials are further necessary as to grade of scholarship, whether it includes the study of Latin or any modern language, with facility in its acquirement; knowledge of music, vocal or instrumental. Diploma of Scholarship.

Certificate of experience and success in teaching.

Fourth. Testimonials are also required as to executive ability, adaptability to people and circumstances, and whatever personal qualities are necessary for greatest efficiency in Christian work.

IX.—PUBLICATIONS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. The periodicals of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be known as the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Der Frauen-Missions-Freund* and *The Study*.

2. The editors and publisher shall be elected annually by the General Executive Committee.

3. In the interim of the sessions of the General Executive Committee, the management of the society's periodicals shall be under the control of the Publication Committee provided by the Constitution.

4. The proceedings of the General Executive Committee shall be reported in the December number of the *Woman's Missionary Friend*, excluding appropriations and unimportant details.

5. The minutes of the General Executive Committee shall be incorporated in the Annual Report.

6. The postage and traveling expenses of the editors of *Woman's Missionary Friend*, *Children's Missionary Friend*, *Frauen-Missions-Freund* and *The Study* and publisher of these papers, and members of the Literature Committee, to and from the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be paid from the funds of these publications.

7. In no case shall the amount used in publishing interests, or for any other demands, infringe upon a capital of \$5,000 to be retained in the treasury of the Society's publications.

8. There shall be a Constitutional Publication Committee, consisting of the Corresponding Secretary of each Branch, to take charge of the missionary periodicals of the Society and to arrange for the publication of an annual report of the work of the Society. This committee shall report annually to the General Executive Committee.

9. The territory of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be divided into three sections: The Eastern section to be composed of New England, New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore Branches; the Central section, Cincinnati and Northwestern Branches; the Western section, Minneapolis, Des Moines, Topeka, Pacific and Columbia River Branches.

10. The Literature Committee shall be nominated by the delegates from the above sections, and elected by the General Executive Committee for a term of three years on the rotation plan. The Committee shall report to the mid-year meeting of the Constitutional Publication Committee, to the Annual Meeting and to the General Executive Committee.

When the Epworth League Student Volunteer or other Convention is held outside our own country the exhibition and sale of our literature shall be under the supervision of the Literature Committee, the expenses to be met from the treasury of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

X.—ZENANA PAPER.

1. The Constitutional Publication Committee shall take charge of the funds raised for the endowment of the Zenana Paper and control of their investment and expenditure, and have the general supervision of the interests of the paper.

2. The Corresponding Secretary of each Branch shall have the control of the investment of the funds raised for the support of the Zenana Paper within the bounds of her Branch, with the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee; the interest on investment to be paid semi-annually to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper.

3. The Woman's Conference in India shall nominate a committee consisting of five persons, three ladies and two gentlemen, one of whom shall be the publisher, to supervise the interests of the paper and arrange with the Press Committee for editing and publishing the Zenana Paper in the various languages and dialects required; these nominations to be

subject to the approval of the Constitutional Publication Committee in America.

4. The Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in India shall send an Annual Report of the Zenana Paper to the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee, with the amount of circulation and items of interest, in time to be presented to the Annual Meeting of the General Executive Committee in America.

5. The Treasurer in India of the funds of the Zenana Paper, shall furnish the Constitutional Publication Committee an Annual Report of the receipts and expenditures of said paper, in time to be presented to the General Executive Committee meeting in America.

6. A report of the Zenana Paper shall be published in the Annual Report of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

7. The Treasurer of the Zenana Paper funds in America shall send the interest on the investments direct to the Treasurer of the Zenana Paper in India, only upon order of the Chairman of the Constitutional Publication Committee.

XI.—ANNUAL MEETINGS.

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church is hereby authorized to hold its Annual Meetings either within or without the bounds of the State of New York, and at such times and places as said Committee may determine; and said Committee, at its Annual Meeting in each year shall appoint a President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary and other officers of the Society according to its best judgment.

XII.—BY-LAWS.

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the General Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

By-Laws of the General Executive Committee.

I. The General Executive Committee shall convene not later than the last week in October.

II. The annual meetings of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church shall be held at such places as the said committee shall elect.

III. The President and Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within whose precincts the meeting of the General Executive Committee is to be held, shall fix the exact date of the meetings of said Committee, and arrange for the anniversary exercises.

IV. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall meet at least three days before the time of the meeting of the General Executive Committee for the purpose of nominating the members of the Standing Committees, and planning work for its session, and report the same at the opening of said Committee.

V. The traveling expenses of President and Recording Secretary shall be paid by General Treasurer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

VI. The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Calling the roll.
2. Appointment of standing committees, *i. e.*, Committee on Publication, Committee on Finance, Committee on Application of Missionary Candidates, Committee on By-Laws.
3. Reception of Memorials and Petitions.
4. Reports of Corresponding Secretaries.
5. Report of Committee of Reference.
6. Report of Constitutional Publication Committee.
7. Reports of Editors and Publishers.
8. Reports of Official Correspondents and presentation of information from foreign work.
9. Fixing place for next meeting.
10. Election of President and Secretary, who shall continue in office until the appointment of their successors.
11. Notice of constitutional amendments.
12. Miscellaneous business.
13. Reports of Standing Committees daily; immediately after reading minutes.

VII. The rules of order shall be as follows:

1. Each session shall open and close with devotional exercises.
2. All resolutions to be discussed shall be presented in writing.
3. No member shall be granted leave of absence except by a vote of the entire body.

Constitution for Auxiliary Societies

Auxiliaries are expected to labor in harmony with, and under the direction of the Branch.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF AUXILIARY TO THE BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Society shall be to aid its Branch in interesting Christian women in the evangelizing of heathen women and in raising funds for this work.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

Any person paying a regular subscription of two cents a week, or one dollar per year, may become a member of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. Any person contributing five dollars per quarter for one year, or twenty dollars at one time, shall be constituted a Life Member.

ARTICLE IV.—FUNDS.

All funds raised under the auspices of this Society belong to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and shall not be diverted to other causes.

Remittances shall be forwarded quarterly to the Conference Treasurer.

ARTICLE V.—OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer and Supervisor of Children's Work, who shall constitute an Executive Committee to administer its affairs. Managers and Superintendents of departments of work may be added as needed. These officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE VI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given to the Branches before April 1 of that year.

Constitution for Young Woman's Societies and Standard Bearer Companies

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called THE YOUNG WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, OR STANDARD BEARER COMPANY OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CHURCH, AUXILIARY TO THE BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this organization is to interest young people in Foreign Missions and to support the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

Any person may become a member of this organization by paying not less than five cents a month, or may enroll as a Standard Bearer by signing the following pledge:

"In remembrance of our Father's love and in loyalty to the great commission of our King, I will give five cents a month as dues to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, to aid in sending the Gospel to the Christless millions."

ARTICLE IV.—BADGE.

The badge of this organization shall be the Church pennant pin. Members paying one dollar per year may wear the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society badge if preferred. Neither badge should be worn by any person not paying dues.

ARTICLE V.—FUNDS.

Funds raised under the auspices of this Society belong to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and shall not be diverted to other causes. Remittances shall be forwarded quarterly to the Conference Treasurer.

ARTICLE VI.—OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS.

The officers of this organization shall be a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall be elected at the annual meeting of the organization and constitute an Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the same. Superintendents of departments may be added as needed.

ARTICLE VII.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given to the Branches before April 1 of that year.

Constitution for District Association

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This association shall be called THE DISTRICT ASSOCIATION OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN THE CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE II.—PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Association shall be to unite the auxiliaries of the district in an earnest effort for the promotion of the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

All members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in District shall be considered members of this Association.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall be a President, three or more Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer and Superintendent of Young Woman's Work and of Children's Work, who shall constitute the Executive Committee to administer the affairs of the district.

ARTICLE V.—MEETINGS.

There shall be an annual meeting of the District Association, when reports shall be received from all auxiliaries in the district, missionary intelligence be given and necessary business transacted.

ARTICLE VI.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society by a three-fourths vote of those present and voting, notice of the proposed change having been given to the Branches before April 1 of that year.

Plan of Work for Little Light-Bearers

Children from birth to five years of age may be enrolled as Little Light Bearers by the payment of twenty-five cents annually, receiving the enrollment card as a certificate of membership.

DIRECTIONS.

The Superintendent elected by the Woman's Auxiliary shall have charge of the work for Little Light Bearers and plan for the collecting of dues, remitting and reporting quarterly through the regular channels, arrange for the annual public meeting, keep an accurate record in the Little Light Bearers' Record Book and report regularly to the Woman's Auxiliary.

ADVANCED LITTLE LIGHT-BEARERS.

Where there is no King's Heralds to receive them, children from five to ten years of age may be enrolled as Advanced Little Light Bearers by the payment of twenty-five cents annually, receiving a certificate of membership.

Act of Incorporation

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK. } ss.

We, the undersigned, Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Sarah K. Cornell and Harriet B. Skidmore, of the City of New York, and Susan A. Sayre, of the City of Brooklyn, being all citizens of the United States of America, and citizens of the State of New York, do hereby, pursuant to, and in conformity with the Act of the Legislature of the State of New York passed on April 12th, 1848, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable and missionary societies;" and the several Acts of the said Legislature amendatory thereof, associate ourselves together and form a body politic and corporate, under the name and title of "The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," which we certify is the name or title by which said society shall be known in law. And we do hereby further certify that the particular business and object of said Society is to engage and unite the efforts of Christian women in sending female missionaries to women in foreign mission fields of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and in supporting them and native Christian teachers and Bible readers in those fields.

That the number of managers to manage the business and affairs of said Society shall be seventeen, and that the names of such managers of said Society, for the first year of its existence, are: Lucy A. Alderman, Sarah L. Keen, Ellen T. Cowen, Hannah M. W. Hill, Mary C. Nind, Elizabeth K. Stanley, Harriet M. Shattuck, Isabel Hart, Caroline R. Wright, Harriet B. Skidmore, Rachel L. Goodier, Annie R. Gracey, Harriet D. Fisher, Sarah K. Cornell, Anna A. Harris, Ordellia M. Hillman and Susan A. Sayre.

That the place of business or principal office of said Society shall be in the City and County of New York, in the State of New York.

Witness our hand and seal this 20th day of December, A. D. 1884.

CAROLINE R. WRIGHT,	[SEAL]
ANNA A. HARRIS,	"
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,	"
SUSAN A. SAYRE,	"
SARAH K. CORNELL,	"

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK. } ss.

On the 20th day of December, 1884, before me personally came and appeared Caroline R. Wright, Anna A. Harris, Harriet B. Skidmore and Sarah K. Cornell, to me known, and to me personally known to be

the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and they severally duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

[NOTARY'S SEAL.]

ANDREW LEMON,
Notary Public (58),
New York County.

CITY OF BROOKLYN.
STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS, } ss.

On the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1884, before me came Susan A. Sayre, to me known, and known to me to be one of the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing certificate, and duly acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

[NOTARY'S SEAL.]

F. G. MINTRAM,
Notary Public for King's County.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
COUNTY OF KINGS. } ss.

I, Rodney Thursby, Clerk of the County of Kings and Clerk of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, in and for said county (said court being a Court of Records), Do HEREBY CERTIFY, that F. G. Mintram, whose name is subscribed to the Certificate of Proof, or acknowledgment of the annexed instrument and thereon written, was at the time of taking such proof or acknowledgment, a Notary Public of the State of New York, in and for said County of Kings, dwelling in said County, commissioned and sworn, and duly authorized to take the same. And, further, that I am well acquainted with the handwriting of such Notary, and verily believe the signature to the said Certificate is genuine, and that said instrument is executed and acknowledged according to the laws of the State of New York.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said County and Court, this 24th day of December, 1884.

[SEAL] RODNEY THURSBY, *Clerk.*

Certificate of Incorporation, December 27, 1884.

I, the undersigned, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, for the First Judicial District, do hereby approve the within certificate, and do consent that the same be filed pursuant to the provisions of an Act of the Legislature of the State of New York, entitled, "An Act for the incorporation of benevolent, charitable, scientific and missionary societies," passed April 12th, 1848, and the several Acts extending and amending said Act. Dated New York, December 26, 1884.

ABM. R. LAWRENCE, *J. S. C.*

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK. } ss.

I, James A. Flack, Clerk of the said City and County, and Clerk of the Supreme Court of said State for said County, do certify that I have

compared the preceding with the original Certificate of Incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, on file in my office, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original. Endorsed, filed and recorded, December 27th, 1884, 1 hour, 25 minutes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my official seal, this 12th day of November, 1888.

[SEAL]

JAMES A. FLACK, *Clerk.*

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CORPORATION, 1896-97.

HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
SUSAN A. SAYRE,
ELLA J. KNOWLES,
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HELEN V. EMANS,

SARAH K. CORNELL,
MARY H. BIDWELL,
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JULIA L. MCGREW,
ETTIE F. BALDWIN,

ANNA A. HARRIS.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE CORPORATION FOR 1904.

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LOUISE H. NORTH,
MARY M. QUEAL,
JENNIE B. SPAETH,

FANNIE J. SPARKES.

Rates of Annuities

Where it is practicable, in the place of making a bequest, it is far better to convert property into cash and place the same in the treasury of the Missionary Society at once, on the annuity plan. By so doing all possibility of litigation is avoided and a fair income is assured. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society does not spend money so contributed while the annuitant lives, but invests it in good securities.

The following rates are given:

To persons from 50 to 55 years of age.....	4	per cent.
To persons from 56 to 60 years of age.....	4½	per cent.
To persons from 61 to 65 years of age.....	5	per cent.
To persons from 66 to 70 years of age.....	5½	per cent.
To persons 70 years and over.....	6	per cent.

Special cases shall be arranged for by the Branch committees having in charge bequests and annuities.

This plan removes all risk of broken wills through skill of lawyers and uncertainty of courts.

Forms for Will, Devise and Annuity

FORM OF BEQUEST

I hereby give and bequeath to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," incorporated under the laws of the State of New York Dollars to be paid to the Treasurer of said Society, whose receipt shall be sufficient acquittance to my executors therefor.

FORM OF DEVISE OF REAL ESTATE

I hereby give and devise to the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church" (describe land, etc., intended to be given to the Society) and to their successors and assigns forever.

Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, 230 West 59th street, New York, is the Treasurer of the WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, with power to sign release to executors, through whom the Society may receive bequests and to perform such other acts as are required by the Act of Incorporation, and which cannot be legally executed by Branch Treasurers.

NOTE.—Prompt notice of all bequests and devises should be given to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within which the donor resides.

FORM OF ANNUITY

WHEREAS,, of, has donated to and paid into the treasury of the Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church the sum of Dollars.

Now, Therefore, the said Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in consideration thereof, hereby agrees to pay to said during natural life interest on the aforesaid sum at the rate of per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, said payments to cease on the death of said and the said sum donated by as aforesaid is to be considered as an executed gift to said Society and to belong to said Society from this date, without any account or liability therefor.

..... Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, by

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The following resolution was adopted at the General Executive Committee, at Springfield, Mass., November 3, 1892:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New York, be authorized to accept and receive all gifts and legacies to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, or to any Branch thereof, and to give all suitable receipts, releases and acquittances therefor, under the corporate seal, or otherwise; and also by the direction of a majority of the members of the Reference Committee given either at a meeting of said Committee, or separately by the individuals comprising the same, to execute under the corporate seal, acknowledge and deliver conveyances or releases of any land or property owned, held or claimed by the said Society or any other instrument necessary or useful for the promotion of the purposes of said Society.

LUCY A. ALDERMAN,
 HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,
 SARAH L. KEEN,
 ELIZA P. STEVENS,
 ELLEN T. COWEN,

SARAH E. CRANDON,
 MARY S. HUSTON,
 CHARLOTTE S. WINCHELL,
 MATILDA WATSON,
 ELIZABETH M. CROW.

Questions to Missionary Applicants

1. Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you the work of a foreign missionary?
2. Do you desire and intend to make this your life work, and are you willing to labor in any field?
3. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ, our Lord?
4. Have you an earnest desire to win souls to Christ, and how has this desire been manifest in the past?
5. Are you a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and do you believe in its doctrines as set forth in Part I, Chapter I, of the Discipline?
6. Have you a thorough English education?
7. Have you studied Latin or any modern language; what proficiency have you made, and do you readily acquire the same?
8. In what schools have you taught and with what success?
9. Have you a knowledge of music, either vocal or instrumental?
10. What is the condition of your health?
11. Do you easily adapt yourself to people and circumstances?
12. Have you ever been married; if so is your husband living?
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