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TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

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WOMAN'S

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FOR THE YEAR 1892-93.

HEATHEN WOMAN'S FRIEND,
36 Bromfield Street, Boston, Mass.

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OF THE

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1893.

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TWENTY-FOURTH SESSION,
OF THE
GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The General Executive Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has held two Annual Sessions in the State of Minnesota. The first was held in Centenary Church, Minneapolis, May 1877, the second, just concluded, at Central Park Church, St. Paul, October, 1893. Nowhere has the Committee been more delightfully entertained. From Pastor and people, from Presiding Elder and officers of the Branch, a most royal welcome was extended. The face of Mrs. Mary C. Ninde, (affectionately called the Mother of the Branch) was radiant with welcome as she saluted the Committee, bidding them "All hail in the Master's name." Without, the skies were cloudless, and the Minnesota air exhilarating. Within, the church decorated with flowers and palms and with flags of different nations, was most inviting and helpful to work. The local Committees, with the efficient chairman Mrs. Pascal Smith, made every arrangement for the comfort and convenience of the delegates. Bountiful lunches were provided in the church, thus giving an hour for social intercourse. The German churches united one day in providing the lunch. German Methodism is strong in St. Paul.

For eight days, from nine o'clock in the morning until ten at night, this Committee of Women, considered vast and important interests of the Master's kingdom, with a devotion that exemplified the spirit of "This one thing I do."

Since the last session of the Committee, the Minneapolis Branch had been divided, and for the first time delegates answered to roll call from the Columbia River Branch, which was organized December 7th, 1892.

Mrs. S. L. Keen, Corresponding Secretary for the Philadelphia Branch, was greatly missed by the secretaries in their councils, and in the more public meetings and deliberations of the Committee. Mrs. Keen was absent visiting the missions of the Society in Japan, Korea and China, giving careful consideration to all the interests of the work. The presence of many returned missionaries was an inspiration. In the afternoons and evenings they delivered addresses, and were able to supplement reports which were given from their various fields. There

were present the following, viz: Misses Hedrick, Lawson, Abrams, Gallinore, English and Dr. Christiancy, from India; Mrs. Van Petten, Misses Bing and Danforth, from Japan; Misses Limberger and Van Dorsten, from Mexico; Miss Hyde, from South America; Miss Fincham from Bulgaria; Miss Vickery from Rome, and Miss Ketring from North China.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Thompson, connected with the General Missionary Society from South America; Dr. Wood of Peru; Rev. C. P. Hard, and Mrs. Dr. Wilson of India, were also in attendance.

Mrs. Bishop Joyce, delegate from the Cincinnati Branch, was unable to be present on account of the serious illness of her husband. Mrs. Bishop Foss represented the Philadelphia Branch, taking up the work of the Corresponding Secretary. Mrs. Bishop Newman read a very excellent paper on the Society's work in South America, having visited the missions of our church in that country during the year. Mrs. Bishop Fowler and Mrs. Bishop Walden were also in attendance. Mrs. Achard, the editor of the *Heiden Frauen Freund*, was present for the first time since her election to that position.

The anniversary, which is always an occasion of great interest, was held on Sabbath evening in the Central Park Church, Mrs. Foss presiding. The Secretary presented a statement of work accomplished during the year, which showed a gratifying increase in all departments. It was a matter of thanksgiving that the collections for the year reached the sum of \$277,289.00, an increase of more than eleven thousand dollars over the previous year, and that despite the financial stringency throughout the country.

Miss Danforth of Nagoya, Japan, spoke with feeling and effect of the bright and dark sides of missionary work in that country, and gave some of her experiences thrilling and vivid of the great earthquake which occurred in October, 1891.

The devotional meeting from four to five o'clock every afternoon was a specially enjoyable season. The expositions of scripture, prayers and testimonies from Missionaries and Committee, the recital of trials and triumphs made this hour one of divine anointing and tender memories.

There is much to be done the coming year. The committee appropriated the sum of three hundred and ten thousand dollars for the regular work. As March 1894 completes twenty-five years of the history of this Society, it was decided to celebrate the silver anniversary by making an effort to raise one hundred and fifty thousand dollars additional, a part of which shall be devoted to a memorial for Mrs. H. M. Warren in connection with the Lucknow College in India. It was also decided that the March number of the *Heathen Woman's Friend* shall be a

historical number. On the afternoon of Wednesday, October 25th, a memorial service was held for Mrs. Warren. It was an occasion of very loving memories. Several who had been associated with her intimately in work, and personal friendship, paid touching tributes to her character, as a consecrated woman, an able editor, and a devoted friend.

Mrs. Cowen paid a very appropriate tribute to Mrs. Bishop Clark, who but a few days previous had been translated. For twenty-three years she had been President of the Cincinnati Branch. The last day of her life was spent at a District Meeting in her own church, and the last evening reading the *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

The most important action of the Committee was the election of an editor for the *Heathen Woman's Friend*. The term for which Mrs. Ayars consented to carry forward her mother's interrupted work having expired, she declined to have her name considered for the continuance of the relation, and for the first time since the organization of the Society, the Committee were compelled to find an Editor. Miss Louise Manning Hodgkins of Auburndale, Mass., was unanimously selected to fill the very important position. Miss Hodgkins was for some years professor of English Literature in Wellesley College, is a gifted writer, and enthusiastic in her devotion to Christian Missions.

A hush fell on one of the business sessions, as Mrs. Cowen spoke of Mary Reed, our heroic missionary among the lepers in Pithoragarh, India, whose last message was a veritable song of praise. The gifts sent by friends at home touch her deeply, and she sat till midnight in her lonely bungalow, taking off the covers from them, and thinking how *love* had wrapped each one for her. In a recent letter home she asks that \$50 of her small salary be withheld and given to the flood sufferers of the South. Already her work is bearing abundant fruit. With full hearts the audience sang :

"The healing of the seamless dress
Is by our beds of pain,
We touch him in life's throng and press,
And we are whole again.

We cannot close this sketch without reference to the delightful drive through the beautiful city of St. Paul overlooking the "Father of Waters;" a visit to the picture gallery and palatial residence of Mr. J. J. Hill; an excursion to the falls of Minnehaha, famed in Longfellow's *Hiawatha*; and to the reception and tea given by the ladies of Wesley and Hennapin Avenue Churches of Minneapolis. During the session several of the Bishops, who were in St. Paul and Minneapolis attending to other church interests were present, and spoke

most cordial words of greeting. Bishop Mallallieu gave a stirring address on the needs of the work, he having recently returned from his Episcopal tour in China and Japan.

On Thursday morning, November 2nd, the Committee adjourned with the administration of the Lord's Supper conducted by Bishop Ninde, Bishop Foss, and Bishop Newman. A closing prayer was offered by Mrs. Skidmore, and in a few hours the committee left for their homes to enter upon the duties and service of another year.

The next meeting will be held in Washington, D. C.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

M. E. CHURCH.

[The following summary of the year's work was read by the Secretary of the General Executive Committee, Mrs. J. T. Gracey, at the Anniversary of the Society held in Central Park M. E. Church, St. Paul Minnesota, on Sunday evening, October 29, 1893.]

"I can answer all the arguments that they bring against me, and harden myself against Christianity, but I cannot resist my wife and children, for they come to me with their hymns and sing and talk of Jesus, until that name has burnt itself into my brain like fire." So said an Oriental recently.

In a village in India during the past year a company of women gathered together to consider among themselves, *first* the claims of Christ, and *second*, the claims of their own gods; and came to the unanimous conclusion that Christ is the true Saviour, and Hindu gods, false and worthless. These are but the expressions of sentiment showing the Christian influence that is permeating Eastern lands, that is entering the home and undermining false religions. It is for such results the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is planning, working and praying. Such expressions come from all our mission fields. Another year of this planning, working and praying has closed. We are here to give you some of the results, and we are happy to record the fact that it has been a year of growth and development, signally marked by the Divine blessing.

HOME WORK.—The Home Work is represented by the following figures: Auxiliary Societies 4533, an increase of 271; Members 121,685, an increase of 5077; Young Women's Societies 723, a *decrease* of 88; Members 14,264, a *decrease* of 1893. Children's Bands 713, an increase of 100; Members 14,699, an increase of 384. Total Organizations 5,880, an increase of 215; Total Membership 150,738, an increase of 3,605. Life Members 12,899, an increase of 447; Life Patrons 125, an increase of 23. Honorary Managers 649, an increase of 34. Conference Secretaries 94, District Secretaries 319.

The amounts of money contributed during the year from Oct. 1, 1892, to Oct. 1, 1893, by the various branches is as follows :

New England Branch.....	\$ 29,644.13
New York Branch.....	51,474.00
Philadelphia Branch.....	25,805.79
Baltimore Branch.....	10,924.06
Cincinnati Branch.....	39,181.46
North Western Branch.....	61,754.64
Des Moines Branch.....	22,758.89
Minneapolis Branch.....	9,040.72
Topeka Branch.....	18,030.00
Pacific Branch.....	4,712.07
Columbia River Branch.....	3,964.23
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Amounts raised in 1892.....	\$277,289.99
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Amounts raised in 1893.....	265,342.15
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Increase.....	\$ 11,947.84

How have these results been obtained? By "patient continuance in well-doing." No new methods have been introduced, no large donations or bequests received. It is the result largely of systematic, not impulsive giving. It is from the consecrated womanhood of our churches in small gifts, not from the pockets of a few wealthy persons. The twenty-fourth year marks the largest contribution in the Society's history. This makes a total of three millions, one hundred and thirty-nine thousand dollars raised in the twenty-four years.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society knows no geographical boundaries. Like the founder of Methodism it takes the world as its parish. The Columbia River Branch was formally organized December 7th, 1892, by the division of territory formerly included in the Minneapolis Branch. It now includes Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon with headquarters at Portland, Oregon. This is our north star, the eleventh in the home constellation, and its light is visible not only at home, but across the Pacific, and around the world.

GERMAN WORK.—The German work is scattered over the territory of ten German Conferences in the United States with 144 auxiliary societies, and 2,807 members. In Switzerland there are 25 auxiliary societies, with 813 members. In Germany 25 auxiliary societies with 900 members, making a total of 194, with 4,520 members.

The amount of money raised in 1893 was \$4,957.99, of this \$251.05 came from Switzerland, and \$263.68 from Germany, the remainder or \$443.17 from the United States.

LITERATURE.—The Society has given very great attention to the printing and dissemination of missionary literature. The *Heathen Woman's Friend*, the organ of the Society, has 21,529 subscribers; the German paper, *Heiden Frauen Freund*, has 2,691; the *Heathen Children's Friend*, not yet established four years, has a subscription list of 13,521.

After the death of the editor of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*, Mrs. Warren, her daughter, Mrs. Mary W. Ayres, was appointed to take her mother's place, and has carried on this department of work with great ability. In July last the form of the paper was changed to that of a magazine. This paper has been so successfully and wisely managed that in the past eleven years it has not only paid all its own expenses, but contributed from its proceeds twenty-six thousand dollars toward other forms of work, and has aided in carrying the miscellaneous literature published by the Society. During the year Annual Reports, Uniform Studies, Maps of our mission fields, and a great variety of missionary leaflets, have been published, amounting to more than three million pages. Of this, more than one-third has been distributed gratuitously and found its way into our Methodist homes.

MISSIONARIES.—One hundred and forty-five missionaries are supported by the Society, 117 of whom are on the field and twenty-eight are at home with impaired health. Twenty-two are in Japan, eight in Mexico, thirty-one in China, two in Bulgaria, thirty-six in India, six in Korea, two in Malaysia, two in Italy, five in South America and three in Burmah. These representatives have toiled in trial, in patience, in disappointment, in hope, in success, in triumph, but always in love; love for Christ and for humanity. During the year two have gone to S. America—Miss Hammond and Miss Hewitt; five to India—Misses Wood, Lauck, Stahl, Craig, and Dr. McGregor; one to Rangoon—Miss Keeler; two to Singapore—Misses Foster and Hebing; three to China—Miss Wilkinson, Miss Wilson and Mrs. Davis; three to Korea—Dr. Mary Cutler, Miss Harris and Miss Frey; two to Bulgaria—Miss Blackburn and Miss Diem, and one to Japan—Miss C. Heaton, making 19 in all. The following have returned to their work after a period of rest: Miss M. Spencer to Japan; Dr. Gloss, Mrs. Jewell, Dr. Terry and Dr. Carleton to China.

Some, broken in health, have come to the home land, that the associations with loved ones and the bracing air of our climate may bring back to them their wonted strength for other years of service, viz: Mrs. Van Petten, Miss Danforth, Miss Bing and Miss Forbes, from Japan; Misses Lawson and Gallimore, from India; Misses Hyde and Bowen, from S. America; Miss Fincham, from Bulgaria; Miss Ketring, from China; Misses Hastings and Limberger, from Mexico, and Miss Vickery, from Italy.

HARRIET MERRICK WARREN.—This past year has been memorable in the Society's history because of the death, on January 7th, of Harriet Merrick Warren, for twenty-four years editor of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*. Mrs. Warren had been identified with the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society from the hour of its organization, and when it was decided to establish a paper, early in 1869, Mrs. Warren was selected as the person to launch this new enterprise. Wisely and well did she lay the foundations, as the 21,529 subscribers to the paper testify. We question if this case has a parallel in religious journalism, where an editor has stood leading a great host for twenty-four consecutive years. When she began the work, papers and magazines conducted by women were something of a novelty, the field new and untried; but with characteristic energy she developed the paper, which soon took rank as one of the model missionary periodicals of the world. Then a German paper was established, and with ability as a fine German scholar she took charge of that. Her hand and heart touched every interest of the Society's work. She was a woman of great versatility of accomplishments. She had a hopeful, vivacious temperament, ready wit, keen perception, unconquerable perseverance, and a heart whose every vibration was loving and sympathetic. This nature had been touched by the Holy Spirit, through whose influence she became one of the most striking personalities that ever touched the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. In the social circle her accomplishments, her tact, her facile conversation, easily adapted her to all conditions, and gave her everywhere queenly pre-eminence. In an unexpected moment she was cut off, and the gifted pen fell from her grasp but a few hours before her translation.

"The angels caught her softly,
And bore her up the steep."

"We are cast down, but not destroyed." Trust conquers, and we know that beyond the "smiling and the weeping," in eternity's morn, we shall meet her again.

FOREIGN WORK.—Some of the foreign work has had during the year help and inspiration from the visits of home workers. Mrs. Keen, Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch has visited our missions in Japan, Korea and China, giving careful consideration to all interests, she presided at the Women's conference in Japan at which resolutions were passed expressive of appreciation of her counsel, advice and womanly sympathy. Mrs. Bishop Foss has visited the work in Mexico, and brought back valuable information to inspire the home workers. Mrs. Bishop Newman has visited the South American work inspiring all the workers with her sympathy and deep interest. These

visits have been a benediction to our isolated workers. The Society has work in Japan, Korea, China, Malaysia, India, Burma, Bulgaria, Italy, South America and Mexico. About 500 bible women and teachers are employed, about 400 schools supported, with over thirteen thousand pupils receiving religious instruction. There are 35 boarding schools in successful operation. Twenty-five thousand women are receiving religious instruction in Northern India alone, through the agency of this Society. Thirteen of the Missionaries employed are medical, who have been as ministering angels by day and by night in the humble homes of the afflicted and bereaved; administering comfort to the suffering and to those secluded. The society has under its care thirteen hospitals and dispensaries, located in Barilly, Muttra, Moradabad and Baroda, India; Foochow, Chinkiang, Tientsin and Tsun Hwa, China; and Seoul, Korea. Fifty thousand women annually receive help from the Medical Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

So great is the pressure of the rapidly growing work in all its forms that it seems impossible to keep pace with it. Bible Women have visited from house to house, holding meetings, seeking out the needy, ministering to their wants, and leading them to Christ, and they are called for in numbers greater than can be supplied. Especially is this the case in Japan. One woman, converted in one of our schools there, has accompanied the Missionary, assisting her in holding Evangelistic meetings, and delivering temperance addresses. She tried to get into the prisons to work among the women, but Buddhist priests kept her out.

A petition was sent from the Loo Choo Islands for two Christian workers, and two young women, trained, one in the Caroline Wright Seminary in Hakodati, and another in Tokyo, are reported as ready to go out into these regions beyond.

There are thousands of women, who, having heard there is salvation for them, stand with outstretched hands, pleading, "Teach us the way that we may walk therein". During the year hundreds of women have renounced idolatry, and have received baptism, but they are without instruction. The rich woman in the Zenana, who never steps outside her door; and the poor woman in her mud hut, have heard through our representatives that Jesus is the Saviour of the world, and many are ready to come into the Church, but need instruction, and are looking to this Society for the needed help.

One of the Missionaries of the Society in India writing home and giving some incidents of her Zenana work adds: "I wonder if the happy women in your Christian land know of the sorrows of these poor imprisoned women. How often they say to me "Tell me of your Jesus, tell it again, tell of the home he left, what He forsook, of His life of pov-

erty, how He was spit upon and abused. Tell how all forsook Him and fled, tell of His drops of blood, tell of His broken heart, and we will lay our aching hearts on His." Oh, Christian Women ! Methodist Women ! redeemed by infinite and eternal love, can you hear this sad refrain come to you from aching hearts over the seas, without renewed consecration and devotion to this cause? The work increases, the years glide away, the Kingdom cometh and our Lord shall reign.

" Shine on, Shine on, O blessed Sun,
Through all the round of heaven,
Till the darkest vale and the farthest isle
Full to thy light are given ;
Till the desert and the wilderness
As Sharon's plain shall be,
And the love of the Lord shall fill the Earth,
As the waters fill the Sea."

Report of Foreign Work.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

INDIA.

NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1864. Womans work commenced 1869.

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MISSIONARIES.

MISS ISABELLA THOBURN,
MISS FLORENCE PERRINE,
MISS LUCY SULLIVAN,

MISS DELIA FULLER,
MISS FANNIE SCOTT,
MISS ELIZABETH HOGE.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. E. W. PARKER,
MRS. D. C. MONROE,

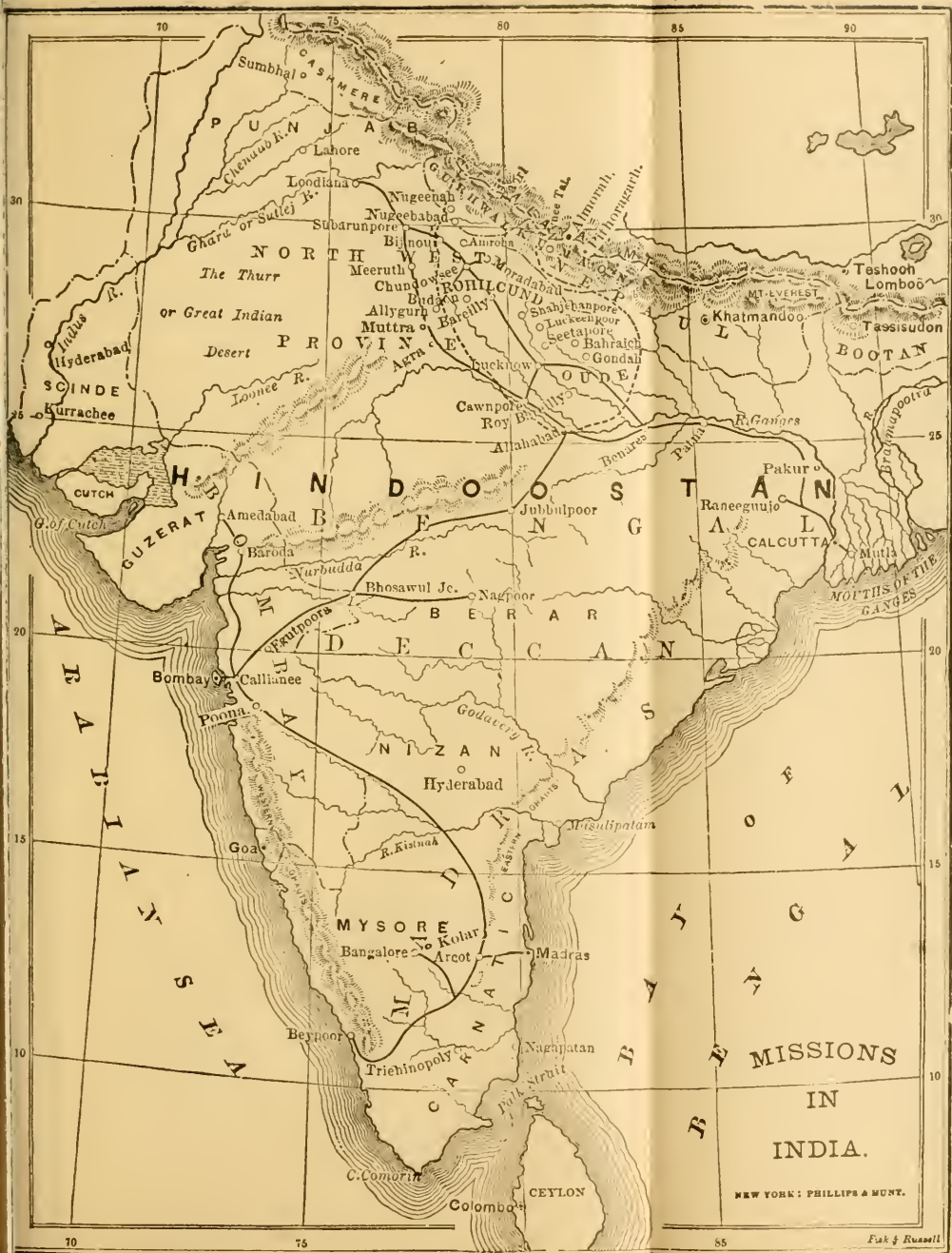
MRS. S. KNOWLES,
MRS. J. W. ROBINSON.

The organization of the North West India Conference takes from the Oudh District Cawnpore and Allahabad, with their net-work of outlying stations, leaving nine centers of work, representing thirty-two smaller stations, and each of these a number of villages or circuit appointments.

City and Village schools, Evangelistic work, Zenana visiting, and every form of Christian effort that the ten missionaries, twelve assistants and eighty-nine Bible women can prosecute has been carried forward.

In the eighty-three Sunday Schools of this District there are over three thousand pupils.

Lucknow, where continuous Missionary Work has been carried on for twenty-four years, has enjoyed a year of prosperity in every line of work. Owing to the fact that less money was granted, the Zenana and Evangelistic Work has been somewhat crippled. Some workers had to be dismissed, others took extra duties, and thus no work has been abandoned. Zenana doors are open in city and village, and there are more to hear the story of peace than can be attended to. Thirty-five villages are regularly visited.



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The city schools under Mrs. Parker's supervision are fortunate in having Miss Paul for inspectress, who gives a bible reading with singing and prayer in every school once a week. One hundred copies of *Woman's Friend* are taken, and two hundred and sixty members of the red ribbon army are enrolled. Young ladies from the Lal Bagh school and the Deaconesses Home have given great help in this work.

Home for Homeless Women. This is indeed a home to the sinful as well as the suffering. During the year twenty-seven have been admitted, five of whom have been converted and baptized, while homes and employment have been found for others. Several have died leaving a bright testimony. Eight blind women are cared for and taught to read the raised type, also to knit and care for themselves, so they may be able to support themselves in the future. This form of practical missionary work appeals to the heathen and Mohammedan, as well as to those who see in it the fruits of Christianity. Many gifts are received for this work, so that very little mission funds are required. During the year a Mohammedan gave Miss Sullivan one thousand rupees, with this and other gifts she has been enabled to add more rooms to the Home, which were much needed.

The *Woman's College* and *High School* report one of the best years in all the history of the Lucknow work. The health of the school has been unusually good, and the whole spirit of the pupils both in studies and reaching after better things has been most encouraging. Two former pupils on scholarships have returned the money spent for them, having considered it as a loan and not a gift, so two other pupils will now have the benefit. The long desired Kindergarten department was opened in January. A large class of little ones, as well as a normal class of older persons are at work. The report closes with this significant sentence: "We are grateful to God for victories won, for character, formed and built up; for awakened ambitions, and most of all for souls redeemed."

Zenana work and day schools at Gonda and outlying stations, seven in number, are under the care of Mrs. Knowles with Miss Ferrel as assistant. In Gonda one hundred and twenty houses are regularly visited. These represent seven hundred persons who regularly have the Bible read to them, and prayer offered for them.

Fifty villages around Gonda are visited, representing five hundred families, among whom there have been many enquirers and some conversions.

In **Nawabgunge**, the greatest of Oudh's markets, there have been a number of baptisms. One hundred houses are open to Christian teaching.

In Colonelgunge, another great market, baptisms are reported, with eighty accessible Zenanas.

At Chandapar some forty women have been baptized, and fifty with their families are awaiting baptism.

The death of Mrs. Masih, the faithful Bible woman at Ellenpur, was a great loss to the work.

In Gonda City and circuit there are twenty-one Bible women, 700 villages visited and 2,000 women under instruction. Miss Scott went to Gonda to take charge of the Boarding School, while Miss Gallimore returned home. This school is growing in every direction, and more could be cared for were more rooms added. The Epworth League is in a flourishing condition. Several of the girls have been converted, and some homeless ones taken to the home above, who were taken in because they were Christ's little ones.

Baraitch is the center from which five other places are reached. Miss Peters, a voluntary worker, with nine Bible women, carry on the work. Twenty-four villages and twenty-eight mohullas are visited, and seven hundred families here are under instruction.

In Unao nine Bible readers are employed. Five other stations are reached from this center, and a good year is reported.

In Rai Bareilly and out-stations eight Bible women carry the word of life to those ready to perish. There are two good schools here, also Sunday-schools. *Hardui* circuit contains four stations. The woman's work is carried on by the pastor's wife and eight Bible women. Hundreds of inquirers are found. A very interesting report has been received from Mrs. Betsey Paul of the work in Barebanki, with seven outlying stations. Twelve Bible women work in 39 mohullas and 30 villages, besides city Zenanas. Twenty-one hundred women are under instruction, and their work has not been in vain in the Lord.

In Sitapore the Zenana and school work are under the care of Miss Lawson, who has two assistants and nine Bible women. The *Boarding School* at Sitapore is under the superintendence of Mrs. D. C. Monroe, with two assistants and five teachers. Seventy-six girls are enrolled, and the Inspectress found but three failures in the entire school, and two of these were the result of illness. The Missionary Society and Epworth League are both doing well.

Khairabad and Bara Gown are outlying stations, and in connection with them forty-five villages are reached. Thousands of women are taught here through the Zenana and evangelistic agencies. This circuit has always taken the lead in Sunday-school work. There are now thirty flourishing schools. Children will stop the teachers and Bible women by the wayside and beg for Sunday-school papers, and gather a crowd

on a terrace or under a tree, where Bible stories are told, hymns sung, and then papers given. Much good has resulted from these open-air meetings. Oudh has been a hard field to till, but the green blades appear which tell of a coming harvest.

KUMOAN DISTRICT.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS S. A. EASTON,
MISS ANNIE BUDDEN,

DR. M. A. SHELDON.

MISS RUTH SELLERS,
MISS MARY REED,

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. J. H. GILL,
MRS. J. McMAHON,

MRS. J. W. WAUGH,
MRS. M. C. WHITBY,

MRS. J. H. MESSMORE,
MRS. H. C. STUNTZ.

At the last session of the North India Conference, Mrs. Whitby was appointed to Dwara Hath, but her health has been such she has been compelled to take a year of absolute rest, and Mrs. McMahon has been alone. Mrs. Belle Mansell had charge of the work at that time, and reports the difficulties in opening schools for girls because of the lack of some person to give them the necessary supervision. The girls, too, are slow to enter the schools, fearing that they may be transferred to Pithoragarh or Naini Tal. One school has been maintained, with nineteen pupils, but with the advent of the cholera they were obliged, for a time at least, to close it. Four only died of this dread disease in the mission compound, but in the neighboring village there were many deaths. Famine also added its horrors to the cholera scourge.

Ten villages have been regularly visited by the Bible women, and they listen earnestly, often giving assent to all that is said.

Mrs. Gill is still in charge of the work in Paori. As in Dwara Hath, famine and cholera have sorely afflicted the people. Many deaths have occurred among our Christian women and helpers, but all died in blessed hope of immortal life. There are seventy-five girls in the boarding-school, the largest number ever enrolled. Good, thorough work has been done. The school is better graded and much in advance of last year. The pupils are also taught to sew, and the older ones are now able to cut and make their own garments with very little help. They have also greatly improved in their conduct. Some of them show decided growth in Christian experience. Mr. and Mrs. Gill have passed through deep waters during the year, their eldest daughter, Eleanor, having died while at school at Naini Tal. Word of her illness had been sent them and they started immediately' but while on

their way thither another telegram announced her death. Knowing they could not make the long mountain journey in time to see her laid away, they turned back to Paori and to their work.

Pithoragarh. Miss Budden wrote early in the year: "My annual report to the Conference just sent in will give you an idea of the trials and labors of the last four or five months; but of all that has been trying in my life, and absorbing to my heart, none but the Father in heaven can ever know. He has cheered and strengthened and sustained me, and once more my little bark seems to have sailed out into smooth waters."

Miss Budden adds: "In May and June cholera was bad in almost every part of Kumaon, and we never knew how soon it would reach us. While we were spared this scourge, a bad type of typhus malaria broke out all through the district and we did not escape. For four long months my chief duty has been to nurse the sick and shoulder burdens laid down by one and another who succumbed to the illness. Fever and dysentery have caused the death of thirteen of our Christian people, besides six non-Christians in the home and school. Of course all outside work ceased and with great difficulty the daily routine of school and farming work was maintained. The village schools have also suffered, both because teachers and girls have all had their attacks of fever and because I have found no one to replace Miss Harris, who left us last year.

The work in the home has been most satisfactory this year. Our harvest is the best we have had since 1886. The general conduct of the women gradually improves. Seventeen have been baptized this year and many of the older Christians have grown in grace to a marked degree." One of the girls who had been in the school for a number of years, and for the last two years in the medical school in Agra, died of consumption in April last. She had been supported by a society in the extreme end of the northern peninsula of Michigan. While Miss Budden was at Conference, word was sent her that Jogram was very ill and must go to the hills immediately. Miss Budden sent for her to be brought to Bareilly, and as soon as she was able they proceeded on their journey. They arrived in Pithoragarh in February, and for several weeks she improved, but suddenly the fever returned, the whole system collapsed and she wasted away. From the first she was impressed that she would not recover, although she prayed earnestly for healing. Her mind was in perfect peace, and her Christian joy and trustfulness was a wonderful revelation to the heathen, and was a means of good to all. Miss Budden in closing her letter, says "Dear, dear Jogram. Her two years in Agra were not wasted, for her spiritual growth during that period equalled that of most of us in a life time."

Mrs. Waugh and Mrs. Messmore have been in charge of the Bible women and the schools at Naini Tal.

Miss Easton writes of the Girls High School : "January opened with storms, snow coming about the twentieth as usual, but more heavily than on any previously recorded occasion since a meteorological record has been kept. One storm succeeded another. The evergreen oaks full of leaves broke down, and even leafless trees fell under the weight of snow. Chimneys and verandas gave way, and the ruin was wide spread. The call for repairs was so general that we, who had gone through similar experiences had to wait until those who had never seen snow had things to their mind. The results were that the rains came and were merged into the monsoons "when no man can work," and most of our repairs were still undone in July."

The impossibility of opening school at the usual time, the accumulation of expenses, the nervous strain added to the ill health of the previous year, prostrated Miss Easton for three months, but at the end of that time she rallied and resumed her work. She says "we had ninety boarding pupils and quite an extra number of extra boarders taken to pay debt, and no help in the domestic department except a woman, capable but feeble. I had begun the year with a good up-stairs matron, but she married, and the father of the assistant, from the jail where he is serving seven years for arson, objected to his daughter's disgracing herself by doing menial service, so she left us notwithstanding another and a younger daughter had been an unpaid pupil with us for a year and a half. Indications of good have not been wanting ; Eleanor Gill's triumphant death fanned the flame, and there were few in the house uninfluenced.

The debt upon the building is paid. There is money in the bank to pay for the first new piano we have ever bought. A new building is much needed ; dining room and dormitories have been out grown. No money is asked for from the society but they do ask for a thoroughly competent Kindergarten teacher.

Wellesley is now in its thirteenth year. It has grown constantly from the beginning. It has increased from one boarding pupil to ninety-five. In 1887 it sent up its first class for final examination. Since then eighteen girls have passed this examination and four girls in the entrance examinations. Growth in character and in the spiritual life is not tabulated, nor can those not hampered by a state church measure our difficulty in holding any of these results for ourselves."

BAREILLY DISTRICT.

MISSIONARIES.

*MISS A. LAWSON,
MISS MARY BRYAN, M. D.,
*Home on leave.

MISS L. HAEFER.

MISS FANNY ENGLISH,
MISS THERESA KYLE,

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. T. J. SCOTT,
MRS. N. L. ROCKEY,

MRS. J. BLACKSTOCK.

MRS. F. L. NEELD,
MRS. J. C. BUTCHER,

Bareilly has been from the opening of woman's work in India a very important center, where all kinds of missionary work has been most successfully prosecuted. The Orphanage and Boarding School has been under the charge of Miss Kyle for the last two years, with five assistants, and ten native Christian teachers. Good progress is reported not only in book learning but also in the upbuilding of Christian character. Great interest is manifested in the Epworth Leagues and Missionary Societies, the money raised being sent to open schools in the regions beyond. The Zenana work continues to be of much interest, and many sure tokens are given of the increase of light in these dark places. The city schools under Miss Scott have an increased enrollment, and in connection with them is a flourishing Sunday School. The Woman's Normal School under the direction of Mrs. Dr. Scott, fills a very important place in the mission work, in training the wives of the native preachers in the Theological School and others to do successful Christian work. Mrs. Scott is assisted by Mrs. Neeld.

The District work is under charge of Mrs. Butcher. *Faridpur, Fatehganj, Khera Bajera, Biharipur* and *Kulharipur* have each schools and Bible Woman's work.

The *Medical* work (which will soon be reinforced by another physician from America) is better equipped and the future outlook most promising. 7,030 women have received treatment and 11,405 prescriptions have been given. Dr. Bryan has won the hearts of all with whom she has come in contact. The Boarding School at *Budoan* shows good work done, but is sadly cramped in room and new dormitories are a necessity. In spite of all drawbacks there has been intellectual and spiritual growth. The Zenana, Medical, Village and Sunday School work have each a report of work well done. Some of the Bible Women conduct three Sunday Schools every Sabbath, City School work though irregular shows steady advancement. At *Bilsi* the pastor's wife and five Bible Women are at work, and many have left their idols for Christ. Four good schools do a good work—especially in giving religious instruction to the new converts. *Bisauli* and *Dataganj*, have schools and Bible

Woman's work, each under charge of the pastor's wife. In *Aonla* Circuit, under the Superintendence of the pastor's wife, thirteen Bible Women go from village to village, visiting the Christians, teaching them gospel truths, and also seeking after the heathen women and children. A very good Zenana work is carried on in *Ujhani*. In two years a great change has been wrought here, and Christian work is well established. At *Gunaur* a good opening has been effected and the future is promising, and the same can be said of *Kakrala* where the poor ignorant women are reaching after the light, which the entrance of the word will surely give.

Shahjahanpore west, includes the city of that name, with *Katra*, *Kant* and *Khutar*. Mrs. Plomer continues in charge of the City work. Her regular house to house visiting is carried on with a good degree of success. In connection with this are our heathen girls' schools; through these many women are drawn to the Sunday schools. The mohulla work is also encouraging, several baptisms have taken place. The Boarding School is a point of great interest; Mrs. Rockey superintends and Miss Heafer is of great assistance in her first year in this place; eighty girls are in the school; the advance in their studies, is most creditable, and the girls show evidence of religious growth as well. All the girls are members of the Epworth League, the Juniors just as much in earnest as the other girls. There is a Missionary Society and Temperance Society also. A number of the girls have been received into the church as full members, others as probationers. In *Katra*, *Kaut*, *Parwayan* and *Tilhar*, schools and Bible work have been kept up, each under care of the native pastor's wife, and already much fruit has been secured.

Jalalabad Circuit has four places where missionary work is prosecuted, by seven Bible women; mohulla work and day schools form part of the routine, and God's blessing follows the efforts made. East *Shahjahanpore*, Mrs. Blackstock in charge, consists of village and Zenana work, forty houses are visited. The village work is very encouraging, the women are willing listeners, while the men and boys also listen attentively to the hymns and Bible teaching. There are nine widows in the *Widows' Home*. They attend Sunday school, prayer and class meeting and are very grateful for the benefits they receive. *Panahpur* Circuit includes *Ramapur*, *Deoras* and *Pasgaun*, and in each there have been many blessings in the year that has closed, some have endured persecution, many have started the new life and are very happy in their new faith. *Mohamdi*, the pastor's wife, says, "We praise God for the blessings of the year, for with cholera all around us, we have been spared. Our work has grown in spite of many obstacles and we give God the glory."

PILIBHIT DISTRICT.

MRS. MARY SOLOMON, Superintendent.

This district is composed of seven circuits each with subdivisions containing two or more appointments, and in each there are schools and Bible women's work. Mrs. Solomon says, "It is evident that God's Spirit is in our midst. It does my heart good to see the christians. I have visited the different places and examined the work—in some places staying for a week or two, working with our Bible woman in the city Mohullas, and I am very sure that good use is being made of the money sent by the ladies in America. I found many seekers after truth, and Christianity has entered the homes of Hindus and Mohammedans. In many houses idolatry has been put away. In this district three hundred and twenty-two women and girls have been baptized.

AMROHA DISTRICT.

The work on this district is all under the care of Mrs. Haqq, the wife of the native presiding elder. In the twenty-two stations work is carried on by fifty-six Bible women. Mrs. Haqq says, "I have, by the grace of God, been enabled to visit nearly the whole of this district. In every place we held meetings and as far as we were able aided the sisters in their work, encouraging them to do their best in this glorious service. God has opened many doors to us. We are teaching the gospel to both rich and poor. Over *one thousand* women have been baptized, and we are not only baptizing, but trying to make them strong Christians. God grant that these people may live to glorify Jesus Christ their Saviour."

MORADABAD DISTRICT,

MISSIONARIES.

MISS MARTHA DAY.

MISS C. A. DOWNEY.

MISS H. KEMPER.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. J. B. THOMAS.

MRS. C. GRANT.

This district has work radiating from five central stations, Bijour, Moradabad, Chandausi, Nagina and Kunderki. The *Bijour* Boarding School has an enrollment of sixty. Miss Downey has charge of this, and the oversight of all the work, and few of our missionaries have a wider field. The City work consists of five day and six Sunday-schools. In the circuit, work is carried on from two centres and further extension is being arranged for.

In *Moradabad*, the City work under charge of Mrs. Thomas, and the Zenana work under charge of Mrs. Grant, have both had a most prosperous year. A good many women and girls have been baptized,

and those who were baptized before have grown in Christian character. The city schools, Goucher and Mohulla schools, are reported as making fair progress. The Sunday-schools held in connection with each are exerting a wide influence. Jane Plumer, the Medical Bible woman, reports 111 patients in hospital, 4,870 in the dispensary, and 8,437 prescriptions given. Many have been drawn to hear of the great Physician through this agency.

The Moradabad boarding school, under the care of Misses Day and Kemper, has seen a year of steady progress. One hundred and seventy-two girls have received instruction. The health of the school has been good. The Inspector of Public Instruction spent a week in the school and recommended a promotion of all the classes. In spiritual things also the school has been richly blessed. Many of the older girls manifest a thoughtfulness in their daily religious life, that clearly testifies to the power of the spirit in their hearts.

The new work at *Thakurdwara* has opened up most hopefully. The Bible women have had to endure some persecution, but have shown both zeal and courage. The work on the *Kunderki* circuit has been carried on from six centres. There have been many baptisms and others inquiring the way. Twelve Bible women, under charge of the pastor's wife, are employed on *Chandausi* circuit. In the Mohullas and villages a number have been baptized. The field is a good one. Two or three of the workers do not receive any pay for their services. Two Bible readers are stationed at *Kauth*, and others are expected, and a good field for successful work is waiting their coming. At *Najibabad* seventy-one women and children have been baptized. They are from all classes. There are three girls' schools here, and three Bible women besides the pastor's wife and teachers. The work has been greatly blessed in *Nagina*. Many persons have been brought to know Jesus, and now acknowledge Him as their Saviour. Sunday-schools are held in every place where there are workers. There are many enquirers among these people. The converts have come from four different castes. The pastor's wife has charge of the work at *Basta*, and reports that God has been with them and prospered their work. The workers have visited villages and Mohullas teaching the scriptures and praying with the women. At *Mandawar* secular and religious instruction has been given to Hindus, Chumars and Mohammedans. Often the women of the Zenanas send asking to be taught the scriptures; they greatly enjoy the Christian songs, and many have learned to sing them for themselves. The seed of the kingdom scattered over Moradabad District has sprung up and promises a hundred fold in the heavenly harvest.

STATISTICS OF THE NORTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 11 ; Wives of missionaries, 12 ; Wives of Native Conference Members, 25 ; Assistants, 38 ; Bible readers, 248 ; Day Schools, 208 ; Pupils in city and Village Schools, 3,500 ; Boarding Schools, 11 ; Boarding School Pupils, 974 ; Orphanages, 4 ; Orphans, 215 ; English Boarding Schools, 2 ; Pupils, 180 ; Women under instruction, 26,000 ; Hospitals, 3 ; Patients treated during year, 16,800.

NORTHWEST INDIA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1892.

[This was formerly territory of the North India Conference, and woman's organized work dates from about the same time.]

MISSIONARIES.

MISS S. MCBURNIE,

MISS P. ROWE,

MISS A. J. LAUCK,

ASSISTANTS.

MISS SEYMOUR,

MISS BROWNE.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. WORTHINGTON,	MRS. LEONARD,	MRS. HOSKINS,	MRS. TINDALE,
MRS. MATTHEWS,	MRS. DE SOUZA,	MRS. CLANCEY,	MRS. LYON,
MRS. BLEWETT,	MRS. BUCK,	MRS. LAWSON,	MRS. PLOMER,
MRS. BUSBY,	MRS. WEBB,	MRS. J. E. SCOTT,	MRS. MANSELL,
MRS. OSBORNE.			

This conference when set apart from the North India Conference last January had 15,000 members and probationers, 18,000 children in the Sunday Schools and reported over 10,000 baptisms for the year closing. Since that time the work has moved steadily onward in every district. The energies of the missionaries now center on the work of teaching the new converts the essentials of Christianity. Hundreds of villagers where the village idol on its mud platform under a tree was the center of attraction, now listen with eagerness to the voice of the preacher of the gospel, and the songs of praise to the world's Redeemer.

There are six presiding elder's districts in the conference. Agra, Allahabad, Meerut, Mussoorie, Kasgunj and Bulandshahr.

In two of these districts the work is carried on by native women.

In the *Kasgunj* District, Mrs. Khan, wife of the presiding elder, superintends 13 Bible women and 14 teachers assisted by five pastors' wives. She writes these women are all happy in their work and ready to bear any hardship for the love of Christ. The request often comes from

the villages, "give us a teacher that we may not remain in ignorance." but we must have money to pay these teachers; we would be glad to put one in every village where there are ten women who have professed faith in Christ, in order that they and their children may become true soldiers in the army of the Lord; but we have not the means. The Christians do not yet give much to support the work; some are so poor that they often can not get more than one meal a day, but all do what they can and would gladly do more.

The work has opened among the higher classes through the desire of the women to learn to sew and do fancy work. Where this work is taught, Christian instruction is also given and the women are learning to love the Word.

In *Bulandshahr District* eight Bible readers and three teachers are employed. Mrs. Luke who has charge of these writes: "It is a cause for thankfulness that the word of God has been heard by all classes, the rich woman in the Zenana who never steps outside of her door, the poor woman in her mud hut, and the daily laborer in the cotton-field have all heard that Jesus is the Saviour of the world, and scores of women believing this, have given up their idolatry. Many have suffered for Christ's sake and incurred the wrath of their husbands and relatives because they have refused to join in idol worship.

Three boarding schools have been started in this conference the past year. Two by the Topeka Branch at Meerut and Ajmere have made good beginnings and promise to be powers in these districts where so many are turning to the Lord. The third at Aligarh is supported by the Northwestern Branch. Mrs. Lawson, who has charge here, writes: "We came here especially for the lower castes for it is they who of late have been so anxious for instruction and have been accepting the Christian religion in such large numbers, but the high castes have sought us out and are exceedingly helpful and friendly. We had not been here three days before the Subordinate Judge came and asked that his girl be admitted into the school I was about to open. A few days after a lawyer asked to have his three children admitted. A Mohammedan called to see the school and gave me twenty rupees. My kindergarten class is attracting attention from the high caste people and I hope it will do much good in this community.

All seem pleased with the boarding school and show us all sorts of favors. We have twenty-five girls and shall double this number in a few weeks.

Our other work is developing rapidly. I have a little Sunday school for the European and Eurasian children at seven o'clock in the morning, then comes a Hindoostanee Sunday School, after that is over the helpers go out into different parts of the city to hold the heathen schools.

We have an Epworth League in full swing and every member is a ready worker. No idlers here.

Two months ago we organized a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. We had the great satisfaction of having all our women join. No one here to say "I don't believe in missions."

The Cawnpore English girls' high school is self-supporting and has largely increased numbers this year. Miss McBurnie asks for an orphanage for Eurasian girls in connection with it. She says: "We have the buildings and school accommodations and all we need is the money for the support of the girls. In the native boarding school are 53 girls and more applicants but no room.

Mrs. Hoskins writes: "The work in the *Allahabad district* rejoices our hearts. A more devoted, earnest set of women can not be found and the faithful presentation of the truth results in soul winning and soul saving. In Allahabad and eight surrounding villages where Mrs. Clancy with five helpers are at work there have been 62 baptisms which will probably reach 100 before the close of the year.

Mrs. Clancy has been greatly hampered for lack of means to support the work. Allahabad is becoming a most important mission station because of the proximity of numerous outlying cities and villages where no work has hitherto been attempted."

From Muttra Miss Phoebe Rowe writes: "I am now in Muttra and am learning and getting acquainted with its surroundings and work. Coming from Lucknow before the railway train crosses the bridge which spans the sacred Jamna, we see our pretty home. We are glad to have such a good location, "a city set on a hill can not be hid," and oh, how necessary it is, that in this wicked city we should live to witness for the truth and to help the needy! We represent several departments of work in our home: first the training school with 15 pupils. We are anxious that the number should grow, for the one great need of our work is teachers. Mrs. Mathews has charge of the Home and also of the Zenana work in this city and in Brindaban. Miss Bismas a Bengali lady assists in this department of the work. There are hundreds of women who will never hear the Word of Life but through these lips and how essential that they be touched by the spirit with divine fire! In the city of Brindaban are 8,000 widows. It has been the earnest desire of the missionaries from the time Miss Sparkes started the work, to teach and help these widows who are in the hands of the wicked priests. This work has not been without fruit but the harvest time has not yet come. The priests do all they can to prevent the missionaries from visiting and teaching these women and again and again open doors have been closed by them. We are having success and are on the winning side.

STATISTICS FOR NORTH WEST INDIA CONFERENCE.

Missionaries, Womans' Foreign Missionary Society, 5 ; Wives of Missionaries, 10 ; Wives of Native Conference helpers, 8 ; Assistants, 4 ; Bible Readers, 78 ; Women under instruction, 4,700 ; Number of Day Schools, 38 ; Pupils in same, 705 ; Boarding Schools, 3 ; Pupils in Boarding Schools, 75.

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1876.

RE-ORGANIZED 1892.

WOMAN'S WORK ORGANIZED 1886.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS L. BLACKMAR,

MISS C. WOOD,

MISS GRACE STEPHENS.

MARRIED WOMEN IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. R. S. BAKER,

MRS. J. H. GARDEN,

MRS. I. A. RICHARDS,

MRS. M. H. ERNSBERGER,

MRS. J. B. BUTTRICK,

MRS. A. PETERS.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society has eight centers of work in this part of the vast Empire of India, viz: Bangalore, Yellahunka, Kolar, Madras, Haiderabad, Kopbal, Vikarabad and Gulbarga.

Associated with these missionaries are four assistants, two Deaconesses, fifteen teachers, and thirteen Bible-women. These represent the human instruments by whom the Holy-Spirit is saying: "Behold the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world."

Bangalore. Mrs. Buttrick reported great difficulties in reaching the villages, and a scarcity of intelligent workers. She was obliged to silence one Bible woman until such time as her example and precept should correspond. This was afterward affected, and humiliated and repentant she resumed work. Later she reports progress, a more prevalent spirit of inquiry, and greater attention to instructions. Some conversions have been reported and day schools opened. Mrs. Baker is at present in charge of work.

Yellahunka. At this point it is the day of small things, but there are signs of growth. The two Bible-women are lovingly pressing the claims of Christ upon the women to whom they find access, sometimes in their homes, sometimes in the open air. A few schools have been opened here.

Gulbarga. The Boarding School here has had a year in which faith and courage have been tested, and not being found wanting, are the promise and prospect of success. Two Bible women are sowing the seeds of truth.

Kopbal. The force here is exceedingly small, a few Bible women, but their labors have not been in vain, for not only has there been assent to the truth, but an acceptance of it, and some have forsaken idolatry, observe the sabbath, and unite in prayer with their husbands.

Vikarabad. The entering wedge here as far as our womans' work is concerned, is a few day schools, but who can predict the measure of good resultant from these, when overruled by Him who chooses the "weak things of the world to confound the mighty?"

Madras. In a recent issue of the *India Witness* appeared the following notice: "Miss Grace Stephens, a Missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, is in charge of the widely spread and truly successful woman's work in Madras. The workers are accommodated in a house splendidly adapted to their needs, on premises known as the Deaconess Home, and this is the center of an organized system of wide Christian activity."

In this Home there are six workers beside the superintendent, in charge of three mission day schools, one Christian boarding school, five Sunday schools and a large Zenana work. In the latter four hundred women are under Gospel teaching, and the work has extended to the villages around. There is gratifying success in many cases, and genuine conversions are reported in the homes of the people. At the annual Zenana party given by Miss Stephens upwards of two hundred women were present. The Christian Boarding School is under excellent management and every girl, there is reason to believe, is truly converted and many are taking up Christian work.

Miss Stephens edits the *Woman's Friend* in Tamil, which has a monthly circulation of about one thousand. The orphanage alone would bring sufficient care and labor to the heart and hands of a slight and seemingly delicate woman, but this is no *ordinary* woman, and ably assisted as she is by her sister, Mrs. Jones, and other co-workers, and learning of Him who is the great teacher, she finds "As her days, so is her strength." She says it is delightful to watch the leavening power of the Gospel in the hearts of these girls taken—not a few of them *cast out*—from heathen homes, and saved from lives that for sin and vileness and wretchedness we have no language to portray. Her last letter reported an epidemic of fever that left scarcely one in the Home or School besides herself untouched. Many were, apparently, at death's door, but God in mercy spared them all, and her gratitude is boundless

On the evening of the day she wrote, she said there was to be a wedding in the Home, and the contracting parties were objects of special interest. The man she called "My Joseph," and added "he may be said to have been taken from the pit." He came to her a famine stricken heathen, covered with sores, his nakedness scarcely concealed, seeking employment. He was set to work at the most menial service and proved so apt and faithful that he was from time to time promoted and instructed till now he is known as "Joseph, the preacher," and is in charge of one of our Baltimore Branch Day Schools. During the epidemic of fever one does not know which contributed most to the happy issue, his unceasing and invaluable attentions or his fervent prayers. His affianced was another famine victim who has developed into a strong christian woman, and who, with Joseph, will do grand work for God.

Haiderabad. This is said to be the hardest mission field in India, and those called to break the ground and sow the seed need patience until it receive the early and the latter rain.

Miss Blackmar's patience is now being rewarded, and Bishop Thornburn visiting there recently, publicly expressed his gratification with the progress seen. Miss Blackmar opened the first girls school within the city walls, in July, 1892, with nine pupils in attendance; the latest report is, thirty girls and more promised. There are now four of these schools—one of them supported by Miss Blackmar and Miss Ward—besides the one for English speaking girls. Here, as everywhere, the school seems the vestibule to the home and invitations from parents, whether bigoted Mohomedan, incredulous Hindoo or nominal Christians, are not infrequent. But one Zenana is regularly visited, though more might be were Miss Blackmar released from other duties. Three Sunday schools receive her care, two of them at such remote points that they are visited alternate Sabbaths. She finds Miss Wood to be the right woman in the right place.

Kolar. The supervision of work at this point formerly shared by Mrs. Hollister and Mrs. Richards, has of late rested upon the latter. The orphanage has had a year marked by spiritual growth among the girls, and by an unusual number of them leaving to engage in Christian work, or to unite their fortunes with Christian men and set up homes that will be as lights that cannot be hid. The Zenana work has received all the attention that could be given to it with the limited number of workers. In the city attention through this agency has been given to native Christians, Mohammedans and Hindoos, and five adjacent villages have been regularly visited.

STATISTICS FOR SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 3; Wives of Missionaries in charge of work, 6; Assistants, 4; Deaconesses, 2; Bible Readers, 9; Women receiving instruction, 3,011; Day Schools, 16; Pupils, 479; Orphanages, 2; Orphans, 86; Deaconess Homes, 1.

BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1892.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED 1884.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS SARAH M. DELINE, MISS MARY R. KENNEDY, MISS ANNA M. THOMPSON,
MISS L. ERNSBERGER, M.D., MISS MARY E. CARROLL, MISS C. LAWSON,
MISS M. F. ABRAMS.

WIVES OF MISSIONARIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. E. VARDON, MRS. E. PRAUTCH, MRS. ELLEN WARNER FOX,
MRS. E. MORTON, MRS. EDITH ELSAM.

In the readjustment of our work in South India, what was mostly Bombay district of South India Conference, has become Bombay Conference. The stations are Bombay, Baroda, Kampte, Khwanda, Jabulpore and Poona. They have just completed their first year's work as a conference, and their reports show that it has been a most gratifying one.

Bombay. City Schools and Bible Women.—Miss Carroll reports that the year just closed has shown marked improvement in the city schools. There are now five schools with an average daily attendance of seventy-five girls. The teachers are more interested than formerly. The picture rolls sent by an American friend are a great help in teaching the scripture lessons, and fixing them in the minds of the children. Many of these day school girls refuse to worship idols, much to the grief of their parents.

Marybai and Sarahbai spend three hours daily in house to house visitation. The people in these homes are very low down, and these Bible women are trying to lift them up into a knowledge of God and His great salvation. Five Sabbath Schools are well attended and some open air services conducted. But the results are not very manifest, and these good women work on, praying and believing that in due season they shall reap if they faint not.

Bombay Girl's School. Miss Kennedy writes that throughout the entire year "we have felt that the Lord has cared for us as a father." Only three sad seasons have come to them—one when Miss Abrams broken in health, returned to America; another in August when little Munijula died in the Cama Hospital; and the last in December when little Demah died. They mourned her for it seemed the Lord had chosen the fairest and sweetest. Aside from these cases there has been no sickness in the school. The girls take plenty of out door exercise and are learning that a healthy mind in a healthy body is a blessing worth having. Miss Kennedy has started a Kindergarten with fourteen little ones which is a great success. She has a regular Kindergarten table, little chairs and a baby organ, with other supplies sent from America and she wonders if a more interesting class could be found the world over. The girls work hard and in addition to their studies, which every year grow more difficult, do all of their own work, even the grinding of their flour. They make their own dresses, even to buttons and button holes. Besides this they darn and mend and do all sorts of fancy needle work. They take great interest in cooking and nothing delights them so much as to be allowed to prepare a "big dinner" and invite some of the missionaries to enjoy it. But the greatest cause of thankfulness has been the deepening of the spiritual life of the girls. During the year twenty-one of the girls have united with the church and many of them show by their lives that they have taken Christ as their personal Saviour, and are trying at all times to be like him.

Zenana Work. This work has been remarkably well reported by Misses DeLine and Lawson. Each quarter Miss Lawson has sent a very interesting account of the progress of that quarter, and the ample annual report prepared by Miss DeLine leaves no point of service untouched. Miss Lawson has proved the true yoke fellow Miss DeLine so ardently desired. The other faithful workers were Mrs. Fritchley, Miss Thomas, Miss Robottom and Miss Cox. These sisters have worked zealously through long hot days striving to bring the lost into the Master's fold.

Poona. Mrs. Fox has the work at Poona. Here a new school has been established for the daughters of farmers—well-to-do people who have never had any religious instruction before. Bible teaching is given prominence in the course of study, without manifest objection on the part of parents. This school is quite near the mission bungalow, and in close proximity to a number of heathen temples which are often thronged with worshippers. It promises much good, even as an object lesson. The attendance at the Sunday School is often larger than at the day school. Here, the little girls, even very young ones, not over

three or four years old, commit scripture verses with astonishing readiness. Though in their early years these girls are taken from the school to be married there is good hope that the seed thus sown will bring forth fruit "after many days."

One of the high caste girls from our school passed so fine an examination that the Government Inspector in his report recommended a larger grant than is allowed by law for that grade of schools.

Miss Soonderbai Powar, the intimate friend and associate of Pundita Ramabai, and who resides permanently in her Widow's home, has continued her good work for our mission, giving two or three hours daily to visiting in their homes the mothers of our school girls, teaching them the word of God. She refuses any salary but allows us to pay the hire of her carriage, as the Pundita's home is far from our schools.

Our six girl's schools have been going on about as usual this year. All our native workers were greatly helped spiritually at the Camp Meeting held in April last at Lanowli about 40 miles from here. It was, indeed, a time of refreshing and uplifting to all classes, both among the Europeans and natives, and I believe the gracious influences there received have quickened the spiritual life and activity of the entire district.

There were daily separate meetings for the English and Marathi speaking attendants, one following another so closely, throughout the day, that it was impossible, especially for those who attended the meetings in both languages, to find time for meals. Every evening there was a united service for all classes. The camp meeting seems to be especially adapted to this country, and I believe it is destined to be a mighty factor in the conversion of India.

About eighteen years ago, a Parsee was converted and baptized. His wife and parents and, in fact, all his friends, as is usual in such cases, were bitterly opposed to this step, and manifested their displeasure by persecutions and constant ill treatment. Strange to say, however, his wife did not forsake him, although she tried to make his life as a Christian unhappy in every way imaginable; but he bore all with Christian patience, and now he has the great joy of seeing not only his wife, but all his children, two boys and one girl, sitting at the feet of his Blessed Master and learning from Him. The wife and children were all baptized at the Lanowli Camp meeting, and she has been boldly giving her testimony ever since, not only in the church meetings, but among her Parsee friends also. Not long ago she was ill for a time, and could not get out. One of her Parsee lady friends came to see her, and tauntingly said, "Now see, you are sick, and your Parsee friends have all left you, and your Christian friends do not visit you." (This latter was not true.) She replied, "But I have the company of Jesus, and

that is all I want." Her friend said, "But your Jesus will come and put you in a box and cover you up in the ground." Her answer stopped the mouth of her astonished visitor. She said, "That is what I am waiting for."

As is well known there have been very few converts from among the Parsees, and this is, I believe, the first instance in which a whole family has been brought in. The little girl was found reading the other day with tears streaming down her cheeks. She was asked what she was reading. She replied, "O I have found such a beautiful story." She was reading in her Guzerathi Bible for the first time the story of the raising of Jairus' daughter. This girl and her elder brother are always ready in our children's meetings to give their testimony for Jesus.

There are numbers of the girls in several of our schools who have ceased altogether to worship idols. Some of them, especially of those who are married, go with their relatives or husband's relatives, to the temples or places of worship, but they themselves refuse to worship. They go to avoid the contentions and quarrels that would otherwise ensue. But there are some who refuse even to accompany their friends to these places, and this, too, in spite of whippings inflicted for the purpose of inducing them to yield to the wishes of their friends.

Baroda. Miss Thompson writes: "There are now more villages open to us than we have time to visit. At some of these villages we have gone and talked, and sang until worn out, and still the people would ask for more. The people gather around us in so great numbers that it is impossible to count them, the high caste on the one side and the low on the other. Some times these poor people follow us two and three miles and ask questions about the plan of salvation. In these villages there are not many people that can read, perhaps one to every hundred, and often less, and when we give them a tract, the one who can read gathers a large crowd around him, and reads to them. We have had such good times in these villages, and do long for the time when we will be relieved of school work. We are spending more time in the villages than in the city, for we feel that the village people are going to come out first and be Christians. Our City work is all that we can take care of with the staff of workers and conveyances we have.

We have many warm friends in the city, especially among the official people. Last week our District Conference met in Baroda, and we missionaries being few in number, were all compelled to board at one place, so the Dewan (the King's Prime Minister) loaned us dishes, lamps, tent, chairs, &c., &c. He also came to the reception given to Bishop Thoburn, and to the temperance meeting, and made a speech at

the latter. The day after Conference he sent bullock carts and had all the native Christians taken to the palaces and to all the other places of interest in Baroda, and also sent state carriages for all the Europeans to go sight seeing. State elephants were sent two evenings, and all that desired went out riding. I have related the above to show you how the native government feels toward us. The English government has been all we could ask, and during the past sad months when our missionary had to leave us so suddenly, and we were so alone, the English officials helped us in many ways.

I am often invited to visit the schools in the city and villages. and to talk to the boys and girls about America, but I have not time to go very often, but how I do long to visit all of these schools and tell them what Christianity has done for America. I feel that the barriers are being broken down, and at some early day there will be an ingathering of souls. One place we went they wanted to pay us money for coming and telling them about Christ.

We have those that profess a change of heart, and have given up heathen customs, but dare not come out on account of friends. One woman in the city who has been converted since we came to Baroda, lost her only child a few weeks ago. When the child died I was sent for, as there is no minister here and I am responsible for everything in the absence of the Presiding Elder, so about five in the afternoon I reached the woman's home which is three miles from the mission, and found some 200 Hindoos gathered together insisting on burying the child according to their own custom, and the mother was heart-broken over the loss, and felt that God was hard. The Hindoos said they would bury the child that night, and I told them that I would bury it that night, but they thought it would be impossible for me to do so after six in the evening, but they could bury any time during the night. I did not know how I should succeed in burying the child, but I felt sure that the English people here in the camp would stand by me, and I told them again that I would bury the child that night. After a great deal of talking, and what praying they would let us do, they told us to go and get the grave ready, and be back by nine in the evening. I left two native Christian men in charge of the house and came back to the camp, and set some of the native Christians to work at covering a box, a rough box, with white cloth, and then I went to see the man in charge of the Church of England cemetery, and explained my trouble to him, and he said that the grave should be dug and that I should bury the child any time that night. After changing my horse, I took the box and a native Christian man and went back to the city, and got to the woman's house at nine in the evening, and

found that the people had scattered, and that everything was quiet, but saw that we must work fast or there might be a mob, and that would be an awful thing in a native state. The mother felt that she could not part with her little one in the night. I took her in my arms and told her that I knew it was very hard, but it must be, or the Hindoos would come and take it away a little later, as they would not allow it to remain in the house over night. I told her that we must take the child at once or the Hindoos might come back, and then there would be a mob, but that she might come with me to see the little one laid away. They put the little box into my cart, then I got in and held the weeping mother in my arms until we reached the camp, and there we waited until the grave was ready, and at midnight, just as the clock struck twelve, we sung in Gujarati "Rock of Ages," after which we had a short service, and then all waited until the grave was filled up, and we went home. Such a night I have never spent, and I cannot tell you how sad and really dreadful it was. How my heart did ache for that poor mother, who said: "How can I leave my little Luke here all alone." Many are the sad things we have to encounter, and the One above only knows, as we will never be able to tell all.

Dr. Ernsberger, in charge of medical work, reports having kept open two dispensaries, with 6,800 patients. People come from the villages several miles distant for medicine.

STATISTICS OF THE BOMBAY CONFERENCE.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 7 ; Missionaries' wives in charge of work, 5 ; assistants, 10 ; Bible readers, 17 ; Day Schools, 14 ; Day pupils, 500 ; Orphanages, 2 ; orphans, 64 ; women under instruction, 725.

BENGAL—BURMAH CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference 1886.

RE-ORGANIZED 1893.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED 1882.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS JULIA WISNER,
MISS R. B. DAILEY,
MISS E. MAXEY,

MISS FANNIE PERKINS,
MISS J. STAHL,
MISS K. BLAIR,

MISS E. L. KNOWLES,
MISS ANNA KEELER,
*MISS E. FILES.

MISSIONARIES WIVES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. W. P. BYERS,
MRS. N. MADSEN,

MRS. W. F. WARNE,
MRS. GRISHOM,

MRS. H. JACKSON,
MRS. J. SMITH.

*Home on leave.

Rangoon. Miss Wisner, in charge of the Girl's Boarding School, writes of a very prosperous year, not so much in regard to numbers, but in the character of work done. The Government examinations have been unusually successful, and four classes passed without a break.

The Kindergarten department has steadily increased in numbers. The Mission Band has been active in making and filling Christmas boxes for the soldiers and sailors.

A thoroughly organized gymnasium under the charge of Dr. Maria Cote, is the latest improvement. They have adapted American methods under the sanction of the Director of Public Instruction. Since this is the first girl's school in the Province to undertake this training, he is doing everything to make it successful. Two of the scholarship girls will be employed as pupil teachers during the year.

Miss Files, who is at home on account of impaired health, we miss very much, but are greatly encouraged by the coming among us of Miss Keeler.

Orphanage. Miss Perkins, who has charge of this department, writes of a successful year. With fifty children there has been no serious illness, and all needs have been supplied. She writes: "We have a weekly class-meeting with an attendance of some forty girls."

Burmese School. Mrs. Girshom in charge. This school was commenced in April, 1892. Mrs. Ma Zan, the Burmese teacher, has brought the school into a very flourishing condition.

The children are taught to sew in connection with their other school duties. Dozens of Moody and Sankey hymns are memorized by them, and they take great delight in singing. A Sunday-school has been organized, and a good proportion of heathen children are in attendance.



Asansol. Mrs. Byers is in charge of work here. A building for a day-school has been erected, and forty bright-eyed Bengali girls attend. Maps are hung in the school room, Bible pictures and a clock, whose face the girls have learned to read.

Mrs. Byers says: A Babu told my husband one day that his little girl was ill, and was very sorry to miss her school. There is great need of a boarding school and the mothers say: "Oh when will you get us a boarding school? Have one made soon." The work progresses on every hand."

Calcutta. The girl's school with Miss Knowles as Superintendent, has had a successful year. Miss Knowles has associated with her a very efficient corps of teachers. The Institution has closed its fifteenth year. The health of the school has been good, and the girls have given unusual satisfaction.

Mr. J. S. Derrick has faithfully worked in developing the voices of the pupils. Drawing is taught by Miss Thomas, who is specially prepared for the work. Miss Blair has the stenography class. Two have obtained employment in the printing offices. A number of girls have left to go out as workers in the schools and business places.

The Missionary Society has raised during the year about forty dollars.

Hindustani Work. Mrs. Warne, assisted by Miss Campbell, keeps in touch with all points of the work. The school in Calcutta has 35 girls. Beside this nearly one hundred houses are visited where the women are taught. At Howrah a very comfortable room has been secured for the school. The teacher here is one of our own Christian women. A school has been opened at Narkal Dangah, that promises well.

Deaconness Home. Miss Maxey in charge. At present there are six workers in the Home, three of whom are from America.

Miss Blair now edits the *Woman's Friend* in Bengali, also *India's Young Folks*, thus speaking to a great many people during the month. Miss Craig who went out last year has worked in the Industrial Home and hospitals and boy's schools. Miss Oram does work among the Bengali population. Two of the girls visit about two hundred women each day, besides teaching in one of the schools. One thousand and thirty-two visits have been made to the homes of the people where the Bible has been read and prayer offered with those who could not come to church service. Three hundred visits have been made to saloons where tracts have been given and the men invited to church. One hundred and fifty meetings have been held by the deaconesses in charge of English work. There are two schools in Calcutta, one enrolling one hundred girls, and another thirty. The Inspectress of schools recently classed them among the best schools of the city.

The Seaman's Reading and Coffee Rooms are in charge of Miss Henderson. Here Miss May has given most valuable service. Meetings have been held every week for the seamen where good singing has been one of the attractions, also an address followed by tea. A number of conversions have been reported among them. Christian literature has been distributed on board the ships.

Pakur Girl's Orphanage. Mrs. Warne, Superintendent. The Orphanage at this place is spoken of in terms of praise by all who visit it. There are thirty girls, a number of whom are earnest Christians.

Some time ago three prizes were offered to the Sunday-school to those who would commit to memory the twelve tribes of Israel, the judges, the prophets, the twelve apostles, the speech Peter gave on the day of Pentecost and Paul's speech at Athens. A boy took the first prize, a girl who is to be married to one of the preachers took the second, and a little girl by the name of Kuntty took the third prize. This girl came to us like a wild animal only a little more than two years ago and is now about eight years old. Within these two years, beginning with the alphabet she has learned enough to commit all this to memory. This girl is supported by the Sunday-school at Oakdale, California.

Muzafferpore. Mrs. Jackson writes: "I was compelled to divert the appropriation for Zenana work and use it for the more important work of the Dispensary, for there has been an entire withdrawal of means for sustaining the Dispensary. The attendance during the year has been over 17,000.

Our patients have been almost entirely from the poorer classes. A few out-door visits have been made, but opposition is still so great on the part of native male practitioners that little can be done in this line till we can have the services of fully equipped women doctors from America. For a number of months a Bible woman has been engaged during the Dispensary hours to read the scriptures and sing to the visiting patients. Miss Mary Ward, our native physician, has during the entire year, with the exception of a month's much needed rest, been hard at work at her post."

The Girls' Orphanage is small, but the larger girls are taught not only to make their own clothes, but those of the orphan boys.

STATISTICS FOR BENGAL—BURMAH CONFERENCE.

Missionaries of the W. F. M. S., 9; Wives of missionaries in charge of work, 6; Orphanages, 2; Pupils, 377; Day schools, 12; Pupils, not given; Patients treated in Dispensary, 17,000.

MALAYSIA MISSION CONFERENCE.

WOMAN'S WORK ORGANIZED 1887.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS SOPHIA BLACKMORE.*	MISS EMMA E. FERRIS.	MISS EVA FOSTER.
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ASSISTANTS.

MISS NORRIS.	MRS. LEWIS.	MISS FOX.
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* Home on leave.

Six years ago, August 15th, 1887, the Girls' School was organized in Singapore by Miss Blackmore. Bishop Thoburn writing from Singapore says :

"I found Miss Ferris at the helm, and was much pleased with her and her work. She is sensible, devoted, practical and good. When Miss Blackmore returns and Miss Foster arrives they will all be ready for a great work." Miss Ferris writes in May: "The work here is most encouraging. People are looking toward Christ at least, and the children are becoming Christians. Our hope is in the children so we are gathering them into the Day and Sunday-schools. Our Day School in Teluk Ayer has increased from 15 to 27. The attendance in our other school is increasing. God is with us; therefore the work will go on. In Teluk Ayer District about 28 children are being taught in private houses. The Sunday-school in Teluk Ayer has increased from 1 to 17. We have to hire a carriage and go for the children each Sunday or their parents would not let them come. They come from heathen homes—we must have them directly under Christian influences and thus strike at the root of idol worship and lead the young hearts and minds to the living God. Miss Fox, 'the comforting Missie' as she is called, visits forty-four homes. She has reason to believe that many of the people are saved, but owing to the thralldom of the Chinese custom they will not come out and be baptized. In our school in Singapore we have from 55 to 60 girls under our care, learning sewing and English. We are not hampered in any way in regard to Christian teaching. Our hearts are gladdened as we look into the eyes of these girls of all nationalities and listen to them as they sing such songs as 'Jesus loves the Children,' 'Growing up for Jesus' in the Mission School. In this school the older girls, 13 in number, have committed to memory the 5th of Matt. They have committed many chapters and Psalms and are thus hiding God's word in their hearts and minds. We have 15 girls living in our home, the oldest 18 years, the youngest 18 months. The

oldest is nurse to the youngest. Another feature of the work is visiting the alleys and streets in quest of pupils, and though not always successful, we are becoming acquainted with the people, and seeking to do them good. Let me say to those supporting scholarships, 'You are doing a good work.' There is a vast difference between the taught and the untaught."

Visitors. The Mission has been favored during the past year. Capt. McCloud from one of the war vessels visited the schools. He seemed intensely pleased with the work. He visits mission work wherever he is stationed, and when he goes home he is able to stir up an interest. Dr. Ridgeway and wife paid us a flying visit and will be able to tell you something of the work here. Miss Ackermann in her around-the-world tour also visited Singapore and was much impressed with the amount of work which has been done there by Miss Blackmore.

Under date of August 22nd Miss Ferris writes: "Yesterday a Siamese gentlemen came to me about putting his daughter in school. He wishes her to board with us and live as Europeans do. She comes next week. Of course he pays all her expenses. The day before, another Siamese gentleman came to talk to us of his three daughters. These may not come. The work is encouraging. The Lord is blessing us. I never had better health and am happy in the love of Jesus. Have never had as short a year or as few lonely hours."

Again September 13th Miss Ferris writes of visiting a Chinese and a Tamil home where death had been, and finding the women so recently heathen, now saying through their tears, "Jesus knows what is best," and adds: "I could not help saying what a wonderful Saviour is ours, for the religion of Christ brings comfort alike to all kindreds and tongues and peoples. The time cannot be far distant when there will be a mighty turning to God in Malaysia.

STATISTICS FOR MALAYSIA MISSION.

Missionaries of the W. F. M. S., 3; Assistants, 3; Boarding School, 1; Pupils, 15; Girls Day Schools, 2; Pupils, 27; Girls instructed in homes, 28; Whole number of Pupils, 115.



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NORTH CHINA.
WOMAN'S WORK ORGANIZED 1871.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS A. B. SEARS,	MISS A. E. STEERE,	MISS M. KETHING,
MISS L. G. HALE,	MISS F. O. WILSON,	MISS C. M. JEWELL,
MISS C. M. FREY,	MISS E. G. YOUNG,	MISS I. C. CROSTHWAITE,
	MISS E. E. GLOVER.	

MISS A. D. GLOSS, M. D.,	MISS E. G. TERRY, M. D.,
MISS I. STEVENSON, M. D.,	MISS R. R. BENN, M. D.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. M. P. GAMEWELL.

The past year has been an unusually busy one in each of the three principal stations in this field, and in every department of work.

The division of the Boarding School in Peking into two separate departments, Primary and High, was most opportune, as proven in the practical work of the school year and its results thus far.

The High School, in charge of Miss Sears, has made a fine record. It commenced the year with thirty-six pupils, which number continued until Chinese New Year, when two of the girls were married, two died and one went to Han Sun as teacher of the school there. Three were compelled to leave on account of ill health, two returned home for other reasons, and one was dismissed, so that the school was depleted in a few months to one-third of its members.

The Senior class of five girls, which it was hoped would constitute the first graduating class, was reduced to one member, and as her services were required as teacher, there was not one left to graduate!

The girls have studied with commendable diligence and passed satisfactory examinations. Owing to the poor health of Miss Frey, the study of English was put aside and far less done in music than was projected.

The Boarding School in Han Sun, which was dropped last year, was re-opened in March with as many pupils as could be crowded into the poor place used for school rooms, and has been all that could be hoped.

The Tartar City Day School has been most satisfactory. The children are all young, but they are taught from the Gospels, commit the catechism and hymns, and freely take part in meetings, praying for help to do right, intelligence in learning their lessons, forgiveness of their sins and a good example, to lead their people at home to become Christians.

The Day School in the Southern City has had a year of success.

The Primary, supervised by Miss Steere and reported by Miss Young, shows good advancement. It opened in September and has enrolled sixty-four pupils during the year, twenty of whom belong in Shantung, a sixteen days journey from Peking. When these girls came from their homes last Fall they fell into very serious trouble, because the people of the villages through which they passed took them to be bad girls, as only a single boy from the College escorted them. But one of the "Helpers" came to their rescue, locked them in a room and defended them. The Officials refused to protect them, because it was contrary to Chinese custom for them to travel so. After much inconvenience they reached Peking in safety, but all decided that it would not be wise to send them home again at the close of the school, and they remained over the long vacation.

With the exception of some malaria the health of the girls has been good. The school has been very thoroughly graded so that the work for both teachers and scholars is made comparatively easy. There is now a regular "course of study," covering eight years, four in each department. Many of the pupils in the Primary can recite whole chapters and books in the Gospels, and it seems a very easy thing for them to pray. Many of our girls pray vocally in the social meetings, and are members of the Epworth League.

The Boarding School in Tsun Hua has been full to overflowing. Miss Hale was obliged to leave to avoid a nervous break-down, and Miss Glover was just the right person to take the work along in her absence. The Evangelistic work done by Miss Ketring, not only in Tsun Hua, but in the outlying villages, has been a great blessing to our work in that section.

The Woman's Training School in Peking has had a larger proportion of intelligent women in this course than in any previous year. At the close of the school in early March, two of the fifteen took work as Bible Women on trial, and are to return to their studies in the Autumn. One who is too young to send out alone will help as teacher in the school as well as take further studies herself. Two more are working under the direction of a native pastor.

Medical work in Tsun Hua was cared for by Dr. Hopkins after work was resumed there upon the return of the forces in the spring of 1891, until he left. Dr. Terry is again at her post, after having spent several months in "special" studies in the College of Ophthalmia in New York.

From Tientsin we learn that school work has been very successful. In report of medical work, the doctors speak very encouragingly of the work done in the wards of the Hospital, where patients have remained

for some time for treatment, giving the physicians some knowledge of the Chinese character and the satisfaction of sending them home well, and in their hearts an understanding of the way of life.

The increased number who have submitted to surgical operations also shows confidence in the foreign doctor. A surgical operation gives such quick and satisfactory results, that each one is a long stride towards the confidence of the people. Quite a number of women of rank have been inmates of the Hospital during the year, and most faithful effort has been made to make them understand the philanthropic spirit of this work, and to arouse in them a like spirit, that would lead them to give of their wealth towards the care of the poor. But in this, thus far there have been very few visible results. While seeming to feel very generous in bestowing presents on those who have given them service in the treatment of their diseases, they have not been inclined to give money to repair the Hospital, neither to buy medicine for the poor.

A very cheering incident occurred which taught us not to be discouraged for real appreciation and gratitude *is* found in Chinese hearts. A man had brought his wife to the Hospital in the very last stages of an incurable disease, after the Chinese doctors and the Catholic nuns had done all they could for her. We told the husband there was no hope. Knowing, however, that we could greatly lessen the suffering of her remaining days, and hoping she might become a Christian—a hope which was realized—we received her with the understanding that she should be removed to die. But the end came so suddenly that the poor man had no place to take his wife. In the search for a house, an outside woman who had been cured of a fever, hearing the sick woman was from our Hospital, threw open her door, declaring that she had been saved from death, and wished to show her gratitude. She steadfastly refused all remuneration, and sheltered the family until all was over. When thanked for her kindness she replied. "The doctor saved me from death, how could I do otherwise?"

Four country trips have been made, covering in all nine weeks. 1946 patients were treated, and surely out of this number, the light of truth must have reached some hearts. On one of these trips from a country village, where the story of Christ had been told, came two old women whose eyes were past all our arts of healing. They had heard that Jesus opened the eyes of the blind, and, knowing we were His disciples they came hoping we would heal them. All that we could do was to tell them of a clime where there was no lame, no blind!

During the year the total treatments have amounted to 12,297.

Miss Wilson in her report says : " The term Evangelistic, by which our work is designated, means our efforts on several lines. The yearly Training School Class, two Day Schools, some industrial work, country trips, house to house visitation in the city and various odds and ends which must necessarily come into every missionary's life. The last year the workers have been able to do what could not have been done the preceding year, hence some of the work that had to be discontinued has been resumed and gives promise of gratifying results. Most of the women in the Training Class were bright and thoughtful and studied hard to gain a better knowledge of Christian truth. Three of them completed the three years' course of study. Some were here for the first year. All went away with a more intelligent idea of what it means to be a follower of the one true God. At the close of the school we saw some of these women in their homes. The influence of Christian teaching had better fitted them to discharge their duties in their families. In the little churches here and there in the District their influence was felt. In all our work we have much to encourage us. The Industrial Work is only in embryo, but we believe it will soon become an avenue through which great good will be accomplished. The Day Schools too have had a very good influence, as the children have been visited in their homes faithfully by the teachers. Many little incidents have occurred showing most plainly that the seed sown has not all fallen on poor soil, but much has taken root, gladdening the heart of the sower, and honoring Him who has promised the harvest.

STATISTICS OF NORTH CHINA.

Missionaries, 13; Medical Missionaries (on the field), 4; Boarding Schools, 3; Pupils in Boarding Schools, 182; Training Schools, 3; Pupils, 52; Industrial Classes, 3; Day Schools, 12; Pupils, 160; Hospitals, 2; Dispensaries, 3.

CENTRAL CHINA.

Woman's Work organized in Chinkiang, 1884.
 " " " " Kiukiang, 1872.
 " " " " Nanking, 1887.

MISSIONARIES.

Chinkiang.

MISS LUCY A. HOAG, M. D.

MISS M. C. ROBINSON.

MISS LAURA M. WHITE,

Kiukiang.

MISS ALICE M. STANTON.

MISS KATE L. OGBORN.

*MISS GERTRUDE HOWE.

Nanking.

MISS EMMA MITCHELL.

MRS. A. C. DAVIS.

*MISS ELLA SHAW.

MISS SARAH PETERS.

*Home on leave.

Chinkiang.—The Girl's School at Chinkiang has had a year of prosperity. Miss Robinson says: "As their instruction forms a part of our Mission work, it is proposed in this report to dwell more upon the women of our household. Their teaching began with Miss Peters and continued until her removal to Nanking. Mrs. Tung now carries on the work with what assistance others can give her.

"The oldest in length of service is Mrs. Ma who has the infantry force in charge. She holds daily reviews at the bath-tub, dresses, feeds and attends to all the physical wants of her little band. Looking from a native stand point her training has brought them to a high degree of discipline. They might well be called "The Regulars" from the stated times and seasons with which everything concerning them is done. Her followers have a very genial love for their leader, whom they call "Mama" and her pride in them is well understood by the little ones who have come to think themselves the "Flower of the Army."

"Mrs Ma is a very stupid woman, but one who has the talent of perseverance which enables her now, after three years of effort, to master the entire S. S. Lesson in a week's time, besides its meaning. It is very difficult to get at the real motive of the Chinese, and when Mrs. Ma asked for baptism last spring, she was put off until there was more assurance of her sincerity. She became quite grieved about the delay, but made no complaint, quietly going on in the practice of all outward manifestations of her Christian profession. A few weeks ago Mr. Kupfer, our pastor, received her into the church, and this appears to have filled up the measure of her desires, if we are to judge by the restful expression of her face seen ever since.

Now comes "Old lady Tang" who teaches sewing, a sweet-faced, sweet-spirited woman, who has seen "better days" and has moved in the higher circles of society. Her manners are exquisite but marred by the falseness acquired by many years of practice. She is not "set" in her views so much as in her habits of ceremonious and unmeaning politeness. Notwithstanding, it is good to have her here. Her refinement and unflinching courtesy shown to everybody is needed for our coarser born girls, whose manners though genuine need to be softened down. Then too, being away so much, from their own people, they are quite as ignorant of native customs and manners as are those in charge of them. "Old lady Tang" loves study and her Sundays and every leisure moment is devoted to mastering her Bible lesson. She is much quicker in memorizing than Mrs. Ma, but is just as dull about the meaning of what she studies. This is the case with all whom we undertake to teach, owing to the pernicious method of teaching in China—the memory faculty abnormally large, and reasoning ones dwarfed out of all proportion. It is very hard to get at her real feeling about her soul, for she is too polite ever to disagree with you. She has, however, ceased to make merit by a vegetable diet. Both she and Mrs. Ma have worthless husbands who allow their wives to "work for the foreigner" in order to have their wages to use upon themselves. No wonder 'Old lady Tang' says "it is like Heaven to live at the foreign house."

Last spring, being in need of an extra woman a Mrs. Liu was called. When she came she bore the most helpless despairing face we had ever seen. Every attempt at a smile proved a dreary abortion. The story of her life accounted for it all. She came to us from a Buddhist nunnery whither she had escaped from the cruel treatment of her husband's family. Being of a self-respecting nature she could not make a success of begging for the Convent and hence, incurred the displeasure of the Abbess. She resolved to leave the nunnery and seek for employment elsewhere. Providence directed her footsteps to this place, the only opening she could find. She was much frightened at us, and when darkness came on her terror was extreme. It required all the persuasive powers of the women and girls to quiet her fears. If our house had not been so far away from the city, and the way thither through many graves, she would unquestionably have left us and fled out into the dark, but she lived through the night and no harm came to her. All this fear has passed away except the one that she may not be wanted any longer as a servant, and have to be sent from the place. No doubt, while at her country home, and still more while at the Buddhist nunnery she had heard of the dreadful accomplishments of the foreigner, and of his thirst for the eyes and hearts of her countrymen

and believed these stories as do many far more experienced and educated than is she. She has been a curious and interested listener to the strange "Jesus doctrine" and so far believes in the more comforting message it brings to her, as to cast aside her beads which she greatly valued before."

Medical Work.—Dr. Hoag reports having attended during the year 3,263 cases. She says: "The Chinese in calling a doctor have first to overcome the conservatism of the more ancient members of the household, and to endure the displeasure and ridicule of their social peers and a general skepticism as to the ability of a foreigner to succeed when the skill of the best native talent has been found valueless.

We parted with Miss Peters with feelings of the deepest regret, but as her enforced residence in Nankin has opened up for her a wider field of usefulness, we can only bid her God speed.

The wife of the school teacher, Mrs. Tung, and some of the older school girls have taken up the work in the hospital and have faithfully instructed the patients in Christian doctrine. A number of women committed to memory a prayer, a short catechism, and have gone to their homes with a very good knowledge of the plan of salvation."

Kiu Kiang.—Miss Stanton writes: "Our work is opening up well, notwithstanding the many things which seemed to combine against it. Some of the teachers have been disabled, and the older girls have been called on to help. Several new girls have come in this Fall. Two of the girls have already unbound their feet, at the wish of their fathers, both of whom are preachers. I think you would cry if you could see the feet that were unbound to-night. The toes and side of the foot being bent under, and the toes twisted until the nails lie against the sole of the foot, only the big toe being straight. The ball of the foot is pressed back toward the heel, the hollow of the foot being very narrow and deep. Of course the ankle is out of shape, and the top of the foot has a bunch or elevation near the ankle, then tapers to a point at the big toe. This girl is fourteen years old nearly. The other whose feet were recently unbound is only ten. Her feet were not so much deformed, and will be, when she is grown up, almost as good as if they had not been bound."

Nanking.—Miss Mitchell writes: "In no place in Central China has the work a brighter prospect than in Nanking,"

During the year the workers were reinforced by the arrival of Mrs. Davis, who is finely adapted to the work. The school has prospered. There have been twenty-five pupils in attendance, twenty-one boarders and our day pupils. Seven are members of the church, others are

inquirers and all seem interested. In their examinations they all did remarkably well, a member of the examining committee remarking that "the average of the girls stood better than the boys."

Miss Mitchell refers to the new dining room recently completed as a model of comfort and convenience. During the summer Miss Mitchell found it necessary to take a trip to Japan for her health, and spent some time in Arima, a mountain resort.

Miss Peters has done very efficient work among the women of the city.

SUMMARY FOR CENTRAL CHINA.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 10; Medical Missionary, 1; Native Workers, 10; Boarding Schools, 3; pupils, 100; Day Schools, not given.

FOOCHOW CONFERENCE.

Organized as a Conference, 1877.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1858.

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY COMMENCED WORK, 1871.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS C. JEWELL,	MISS M. E. CARLETON, M. D.,	MISS MABEL HARTFORD,
MISS LYDIA TRIMBLE,	MISS E. LYON, M. D.,	MISS M. E. WILSON,
MISS J. BONAFIELD,	MISS L. MASTERS, M. D.	MISS RUTH SITES.
MISS L. J. WILKINSON,		

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. W. H. LACY,	MRS. W. N. BREWSTER,	MRS. G. B. SMYTH.
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One at all conversant with the history of our church missions within this Conference, its rise and progress, must be reminded of the glowing imagery of the old prophet, and realize that the days have come "when the plowman overtakes the reaper and the treader of grapes him that soweth the seed." Millions of hearts still wait for the plowshare of gospel truth, while hundreds of others that it has furrowed, and torn out old faiths by their roots, are receiving the seed into good ground and the plentiful harvest is being gathered. Still others grafted into the true Vine are bearing much fruit to the praise of His name. The past year has been marked by pentecostal baptisms on a number of the districts, and not only have souls been uplifted, hearts changed and warmed, but by it have minds been illuminated, and women so stupid that it has been thought a wasteless expenditure of time and money to retain them in the schools, have become instructors for others.

The great, the *imperative* need is reinforcements, and continually the cry for more laborers ascendeth to the Lord of the Harvest.

The Boarding School in Foochow has been moved into the commodious building erected for it, and it is found well adapted to the needs.

Miss Bonafield writing of the intellectual and spiritual growth of the girls says: "It has been my chief joy to watch their development along these lines." She speaks in praise of the ability and faithfulness of the native teachers, and the good resultant to the girls from a newly organized Epworth League. The enrollment for the year has been 90 girls, 71 of them boarders, 19 day scholars.

Among the estimates granted last year was \$350 for Mrs. Ahok's work. It was anticipated that by the influence and aid of this lady we would be able to open a school to which the daughters of high-class natives, non-Christian, would be drawn, a class hitherto unreached. Had they the desire to enter the Boarding School they would have been excluded by unwillingness to conform to its regulations, chief of which was the requirement to unbind the feet. Miss Sites opened the school with nine girls, daughters of Christian parents, with the hope that when the "Seminary" was established and understood, it would receive the patronage of those for whom it was primarily designed. This hope seems about to be realized. It was visited on Examination Day by twenty mothers, arrayed in elegant costume and each attended by her maid, the tiny feet making this attention a necessity, and great pleasure was expressed at what they saw and heard; some promising to patronize the Seminary when the new term should begin.

It is proving a stimulus to the girls of the Boarding School, and has received the unanimous approbation of both Missions and is again estimated for. Miss Sites has also had charge of the Woman's School, where twenty women have been receiving instruction, and in another room their six children have been taught by kindergarten methods. Miss Sites is greatly beloved by the natives and her influence is proportionate.

Medical Work.—This has been in charge of Dr. Lyon and Dr. Masters to which they have been devoted. The City Hospital they have been obliged to leave unopened until another physician should come. This work will devolve upon Dr. Carleton, recently returned. The tabulated statement of work for the year that closed in July is: Number of patients in Woman's and Children's Hospital, 200; number visited in their homes, 996; number of clinic patients, 5,132; number of prescriptions, 6,441.

Orphanage.—We trust the Mary E. Crook Memorial Orphanage is by this time completed and sheltering the poor little waifs who had been previously scattered over the Districts and cared for, or uncared for in private families. When they were brought in to Foochow and placed under the motherly supervision of Mrs. Lacy they presented a sad picture, and a number of them died. Our latest tidings, in July there were twelve in the temporary building, and Mrs. Lacy had received numerous applications to admit others.

Ku Cheng.—The Woman's School finished the year in June, and five of the women graduated with honor. Nearly all the preachers on the District attended the examinations and thought it the most wonderful thing they had ever known, for Chinese women to translate the classics so well. The women had been studying in the School since 1890. Three of them at once opened Day Schools in their homes, and one has gone to the hospital to give religious instructions there.

Miss Hartford says: "I believe all our women are saved, truly saved and most anxious to help save others." The Girls' Boarding School which was opened with 25 pupils, March 8, 1893, was the result of earnest pleading on the part of native pastors and people; and the pupils were gathered from over the District by Miss Hartford on her itinerating trips, she selecting the most promising from the Day Schools. The Bible women are doing excellent work, some of them so eager to spread the good tidings as to forget their meals, and the Hospital Deaconess has so labored that not a woman who has been in the Hospital any length of time but has accepted Christ. The Day Schools have had varied experiences; in some the teachers have been faithful and able, and the schools have prospered; other teachers have been lazy or stupid, or both, and the schools have suffered. Fourteen schools are now in existence.

Hok Chiang District.—Miss Trimble's removal from Foochow to the District has proved a great blessing, and the Day Schools and the Bible Women most remote from Ngu Cheng feel the current as it sweeps from that power house over spiritual wires.

Neither pleasant surroundings nor physical comfort led to the selection of this wicked city as a centre of work, but because it was most accessible to other stations. A native house was rented, a little money expended to fit it for the Woman's School and home for the missionary, and there our dear sister "dwells with God for his work."

An earnest request has been sent in from the preachers of the District for a Girl's Boarding School, saying, until this need is supplied the Mission is like the man with the withered hand. There are twelve Day Schools and four Bible Women at work upon the District.

Hing hua District.—With characteristic devotion Mrs. Brewster is helping in every department of work at Hing hua, and has as her special care the Girl's Boarding School in close proximity to her home, which was opened in February and has enrolled eighty-one pupils. Ten Bible Women have been employed on this District. Some of these are young women, others are elderly, who can read a little from the Book of Life, but they love to tell the story, and their telling it has been blessed to many a darkened life.

Miss Wilson is in charge of the Woman's Training Schools, and supervises as best she can, the twenty Day Schools and work of as many Bible Women scattered through the District, and from all these we have encouraging reports.

The marriage of Miss Johnson made necessary the election of another treasurer, and Mrs. Geo. B. Smyth has cheerfully accepted the position.

To the married ladies, Mrs. Smyth acting Principal of the Anglo-Chinese College, in the absence of her husband, who has so kindly added our work to her labor in the College and her domestic duties; to Mrs. Lacy whose large heart enshrines not only her own children but the orphans,—and to Mrs. Brewster, whose love for Christ makes her tireless in His service, we make grateful acknowledgment, and rejoice that with them we are co-laborers for the redemption of China.

STATISTICS OF THE FOOCHOW CONFERENCE.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 10; Native helpers or Bible Readers, 78; Day Schools, 39; Day Pupils, 646; Boarding Schools, 2; Pupils, 102; Orphanages, 1; Orphans, 12.

JAPAN.

ORGANIZED AS A CONFERENCE, 1884.
WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1874.

CENTRAL JAPAN.

MISSIONARIES.

East Tokyo District—MISS R. J. WATSON, MISS J. E. LOCKE, MISS M. A. SPENCER.
West Tokyo District—MISS E. R. BENDER, MISS B. J. ALLEN, MISS E. BLACKSTOCK.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. B. CHAPPELL, MRS. J. WIER.

Sendia District—MISS M. E. ATKINSON, MISS L. IMHOFF.
Shinshu District—MISS F. E. PHELPS.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. H. W. SWARTZ.

Nagoya District—MISS M. E. WILSON, MRS. C. W. VAN PETTEN.

MARRIED LADIES IN CHARGE OF WORK.

MRS. D. S. SPENCER.

MISSIONARIES ON HOME LEAVE.

MRS. C. W. VAN PETTEN, MISS M. A. DANFORTH, MISS A. P. ATKINSON.

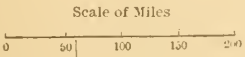
The following report is furnished by the Official Correspondent.

Sendai.—Miss Phelps has been working alone here until recently without even a foreign pastor in the place. In a little one story Japanese house where bed, washstand, and bureau leave not more than standing room, she holds meetings and arranges work with her Bible women. A little ragged school has been started here, whose early encouraging numbers have been thinned out by petty persecutions, but has now, for some months, had about thirty girls, and is doing good work.

Yonezawa.—Miss Atkinson and Miss Imhoff have worked alone with no other foreigner in the place. This town is in the interior, thirty miles from the railroad, and is reached by jinrikisha over a mountain pass of wonderful beauty. Much opposition and annoyance have been met with in Yonezawa, but much has been overcome by the tact and prudence of those in charge of this school, and the principal men of the place are now considering the idea of putting up a building that will accommodate both school and home. When we saw the small, inconvenient place in which these noble, self-sacrificing women were working, and the devotion of all their time, energies, and strength to



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the work, under such difficulties as surrounded them, we wondered what those would say who represent missionaries as having an easy, luxurious time, were they compelled to exchange places for a year. The untiring industry early and late, the heavy responsibilities, the absence of home conveniences and comforts, the isolation with its impossibility of sympathetic confidences, are very wearing on health even without the depressing character of the climate.

Tokyo.—At Tsukiji, Miss Watson has charge. The school has some seventy pupils. Miss Locke has charge of the preparatory department, and teaches music. On examination day, the lessons in Japanese etiquette were novel and interesting to a stranger, the many low bows, the punctilious forms to be observed in receiving guests, presenting flowers, making and serving the formal tea, etc., exemplified the demands of society in Japan. The Japanese are certainly a deliberately moving people and fond of pomp and ceremony. This is also Miss Spencer's home who, on her return, took care of the evangelistic work and the five large day schools. At Aoyama, Miss Bender and Miss Allen, both very able teachers, have the high school in charge and give the closest attention to every phase of the school work. Quite a large class was graduated, six of whom were from the Industrial department under Miss Blackstock. The new building for this branch of work will be completed and ready for use by the beginning of the Fall term.

Japan Conference.—The Japan Conference met at Aoyama, and the daily sessions of the Woman's Conference were delightful and full of inspiration. Every report manifested the deep interest of the work in each place. Everywhere more workers were needed, larger accommodations demanded, new fields were opening, new schools asked for; conversions were reported, and the religion of Christ seems to be taking deeper root and firmer hold in the consciences of those who will listen. Every effort for advancing the cause came up for earnest, thoughtful discussion. Boarding Schools, Day Schools, Evangelistic Work, Bible Women, Sunday Schools, study of the language, etc., were all reviewed. It was very evident that nearly all of these women were working beyond their strength, and not only unwilling to do less, but alert with open eyes to see new avenues for labor, if only some one could be found to enter. The day schools are an important but perplexing feature in our administration. Education is made compulsory by the Government, but it is not Christian and must be paid for. Our day schools give education gratuitously to all who cannot afford to pay, and with it the truths of Christianity. Yet all of these schools, to secure government

sanction, must have a Japanese teacher and owner. To secure conscientious Christian men who will faithfully teach the Bible as a part of every school course, is not easy. It is desirable that a Bible woman shall be connected with each school, who will visit the families of the scholars, and interest them in religion. Without the constant attention of the missionaries, these schools would soon become entirely secular, but with the careful supervision that is given them, many have become the nucleus of a native Christian church. Yet heathenism abounds, many of the temples are crowded with worshippers who never go to pray without offering money. The large mass of the people are still bound by their old superstitions, and handsome large new temples are being built in several cities. Of the 40 million inhabitants only about 90,000 are in any sense Christians, and of these some 40,000 belong to the Greek and Roman Catholic churches. There is a vast work yet for Christ's people to do in Japan.

Our party could not go to Nagoya or Nagasaki till after the close of Conference. On our way to Nagoya the road lay around the base of Fujiyama, but for several hours it was hidden by thick clouds, but before we had passed quite away the clouds dispersed and we had our second fine view of this most graceful mountain peak. Nagoya is an interior town in a valley, and as our visit was made in the latter part of July, we found very hot weather and abundance of insects. Going through that old native house, we realized at what great inconvenience Miss Danforth and Miss Wilson had carried on their successful and constantly increasing work. We looked at the place where they had slept, out of doors on the ground, so many nights during the great earthquake in 1891. When one remembers that after the first and great destruction, the shocks did not discontinue for five months, some conception can be formed of the great nervous strain endured, by the constant effort to calm the fears of the pupils, to carry on the school exercises as regularly as possible, while caring for the suffering sick and starving, and keep up courage and cheerfulness to sustain others. There is no greater opposition to Christianity anywhere in Japan than in Nagoya; it is active, boisterous, and only the great tact of our brave women, has preserved them in comparative safety. Whenever public opinion will admit of its being done with prudence, a new building for the school must be put up here. Very few Japanese houses are over one story in height; they are not firmly built; and seldom, if ever, have any cellars; all the partition walls are sliding paper panels, and a word spoken in an ordinary Japanese house can be heard all over it; there are no chimneys and no way of cleaning the loft between the ceiling and tile roof, though the dust of fifty years may have been accumulating.

and continually sifts down through the badly joined wood work. Notwithstanding it was vacation in Nagoya, the teachers and a large number of the school girls assembled to meet Bishop Foster and our party, and the customary greetings were interchanged. Miss Danforth, whose health demanded rest, had gone home, and brave little Miss Wilson, as cherry as a bird, kindly looked after our comfort.

Miss Spencer writes: "Attendance at the closing exercises of five different schools gave our visiting friends an idea of what is done on such occasions. Mrs. Keen was often called upon for a speech to our girls, and everywhere was regarded as a superior being and listened to with rapt attention. She presided over the Woman's Conference which always meets at the same time as the Japan Conference and continued in session for a week, July 6-13, being most helpful in our consultations and committee work, and very different in her knowledge of the work from an ordinary visitor.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the Woman's Conference:

Realizing at what a great sacrifice of personal comfort Mrs. Keen, Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, has taken a long and tiresome journey in order to be with us in this our midsummer Annual Conference, therefore.

RESOLVED, That we express our heartfelt gratitude for this visit of Mrs. Keen. Her kindly counsel, wise advice and sweet womanly sympathy in friendly intercourse have cheered and helped us; and her patience and tact as our Presiding Officer have won our sincere admiration and appreciation.

RESOLVED, That we pray that God's blessing may attend her onward way and that, kept safely from all danger and illness she may be permitted to return to the home land, there to continue her labors in the Master's vineyard.

YOKOHAMA AND NAGOYA.

WORK COMMENCED IN YOKOHAMA, 1878.

WORK COMMENCED IN NAGOYA, 1888.

MISSIONARIES.

MRS. C. VAN PETTEN,

MISS M. A. DANFORTH,
MISS MARY WILSON.

MISS M. E. SIMONS,

Yokohama.—Training School.—The work of the year at the Training School has necessarily been somewhat broken from the change in Principalship, necessitated by the home-coming of Mrs. VanPetten. Miss Griffith came to this new position wearied and worn from the sad experiences of the previous months in caring for the work in Tsukiji, under the dark shadow of bereavement which had removed Miss Pardoe to the higher service of the King. Most faithfully and efficiently has she performed the work.

There has been an enrollment of twenty-five pupils during the year.

Much earnest, faithful work has been accomplished by the students, both in their studies and in practical evangelistic work in the City. It is undoubtedly largely owing to their labors that so many have been led to decide for Christ, and to unite with the church in Yokohama during the year.

There were no graduates this year, but a class of seven has gone out for a year's experience in direct evangelistic work before entering upon the fourth year's course of study in the school. These girls feel deeply their responsibility as public witnesses for Christ, and though young in years and Christian experience, we hope and pray that all needed grace and wisdom will be accorded them.

From every quarter comes urgent appeals for Bible Women; and to the earnestness and efficiency of their labors, abundant testimony is borne by the united appeals that come from pastors and people for more such workers, and for the continued services of those already engaged in regular work among the women and children of various places.

Two have been at work on the Yokohama District during the past year, and they have labored faithfully and well. Of one of these it has been truthfully said: "She is really the assistant pastor, and actually fills the pastors place when he is absent."

These workers are doing much for the women and children of Japan. It is cause for gratitude and encouragement that already the necessity for, and efficiency of the work of these trained Christian women is so generally conceded by the native pastors.

Miss Griffith remains in the School, while Mrs. Van Petten upon her return to Japan will go to Nagoya as by the appointment of Conference, Superintendent of Bible Women.

Yokohama Day Schools have had a year of change. The one in Aizowa has been filled to its utmost capacity as there is no Government School in that section, and only one private school, the opening seems a very good one. The surroundings are bad; the homes are of the poorest, and parents sell their daughters for immoral purposes, so that the need could not be greater. The Bible has been taught regularly here, and the *Sunday School* has made some impression upon the hearts of the children, at least.

At Tobe, teaching in the Government School was given up in April, there being so little fruit for the time and labor given. But the School in charge of our Mission at this place has been a great success.

The new building at Yamabookicho, owing to new Government regulation, requiring that all children attending private schools shall obtain permission from the *Keuch*, this, with the difficulty in obtaining good teachers with a certificate, has made the attendance irregular. At the close of the year, however, more names were on the roll than at any time since the school was moved from Furocho.

Since the closing of the school in Kanagawa last year, because of the new regulations, it was thought best to establish a Kindergarten here for high-class children. This at first met with opposition as too exclusive. But a review of the work showed that all the efforts previously put forth had been *for* and among the lowest class, and the few influential church members being very anxious for a little different basis, it was decided that a tuition should be required.

This school opened the middle of January, and is taking a place among the schools and in the hearts of the people, through the efforts of an earnest Christian teacher. This school now numbers sixteen, and gives us an opening into the best homes in that section.

Nagoya.—Miss Danforth writes: "Coming up from Nagoya at the close of this, the fifth year of our school, we have only good tidings to bring concerning the work of the last ten months. No great earthquakes, mental or physical, have disturbed us. No deaths or cases of severe illness have occurred among the pupils. The number of pupils enrolled has been eighty-four, with an average attendance of sixty-five, which has been very encouraging when the present state of feeling in regard to female education is considered.

Some important changes in the staff of teachers became a necessity, as two were bribed or threatened into resigning their positions; but good substitutes were secured and no permanent harm resulted.

For some reason, an idea has become very prevalent in this city that girls educated under Christian influences never become good house-keepers; hence it is necessary that all branches pertaining to the home, such as sewing, cooking, and etiquette should be most carefully taught. A very efficient teacher has attended to this special work, giving much satisfaction to the parents.

Miss Danforth in referring to the spiritual life of the school, says "that twelve of the girls have become real true Christians, and have been baptized. One of the number belongs to a family of eight children, the eldest of whom gave herself to Jesus soon after she came to us in 1889. A little later, a sister came, and then a third, until now the younger children are all in the Sunday School, and three are good Christian workers.

Four years ago in one of our largest classes there was not a single Christian. During the winter, in a revival season two of the class were converted. One was a very timid girl who has always shrunk from taking part in our little meetings, and it was sometime before we realized how efficiently she could work in other directions. At least three of her classmates have been brought to know Christ through her efforts, and now nearly all the girls in that division are regular attendants at class-meeting. One difficulty in the way of the day pupils becoming Christians, is the keeping of the Sabbath. At examination time the temptation is very strong to study on the Sabbath, and some of the girls let that hinder them for several months. Last spring one quiet little worker was heard saying: "It is not honest for you to study on Sunday whether you belong to the church or not, for we who are Christians cannot do so, and it makes us get lower ranks. That is not fair. The girls to whom she was talking, acknowledged the truth of her argument and promised to lay aside their books on that one day of the week. This obstacle being removed, in a few months they became Christians."

The Home provided for at our last meeting still waits for the first stone of the foundation to be laid.

There are two reasons for this. First, Misses Danforth and Wilson have never gotten over the strain of those terrible months between October 1891 and March 1892. The ordinary school and home-duties have demanded their entire time and strength. The renewed agitation in regard to the ownership of property by foreigners, influenced somewhat, as well as the greatly increased opposition to Christianity in Nagoya. It was a severe disappointment to defer this long-cherished enterprise, but the circumstances combined to justify the delay until another year.

HAKODATE.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED 1878.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS A. DICKERSON,

MISS M. S. HAMPTON.

Caroline Wright Memorial School.—Of this School Miss Dickerson writes: "There have been no changes in buildings, curriculum, or regular faculty. The teachers have been faithful and efficient in their duties. There has been little or no sickness among either teachers or pupils. A number of new pupils have been admitted during the year, making a total enrollment of one hundred and thirteen, a larger number than we have had for several years. The graduates of last year have given much satisfaction in the work assigned them for this year. One was installed Matron, and though not old enough to be a mother to the girls, she has been a kind and thoughtful "Ane San" (older sister). The teaching of the lower classes and the Preparatory Department was assigned to six of the class, that they might have some normal training before leaving the School. Much supervision of their class-room work has been necessary, of course, but the results are very satisfactory.

One of the class became a teacher in the Public School, and has given great satisfaction. The Principal has been so much pleased that he has asked for another for next year. After teaching six months, her salary was raised, and she was given a certificate, entitling her to a position in the schools of Hakodate for three years. We have been cramped for rooms, and next year, with additional classes, we shall be obliged to convert our own into rooms for the use of the school. One by one the rooms, which were arranged for the American teachers in the school building, have been given up until we have but one left. The house into which we have been compelled to move is the property of the Parent Board, and only rented by us from year to year. Should they require the house, what would we do? is a question frequently in our minds.

This is the school of highest grade, and has the best reputation of any school north of Sendai. Many gladly send their children to us if we will give them an education. We cannot advance rapidly along the line of self-support, but we have offered to give only tuition and food, and require all clothing and supplies to be provided by the parents or guardians. There are a large number of applications for entrance into the school, more than we can comfortably accommodate, and yet, shall we turn them away, and deny these little ones their only chance of a christian education? In several instances we have been asked to take

children because their parents felt that our school gave the best moral training, and their children were beyond their control. For such children and others who are not able to complete the course of study we need an Industrial School. Sewing, cooking, and drawing secure much attention, but we have not room to organize separate Industrial classes.

Another need of this district is a Training Class for Bible Women. The calls for these workers are so numerous, that it is impossible to fill them, depending only upon the one school in Yokohama. The pupils in the school receive daily lessons in the Bible, following a regular course of study, but being only young girls with no experience, they are not able to do the work of Bible Women upon graduation. By means of these Bible lessons we reach all the day scholars, several of whom have become christians, and thus the Gospel is being carried into many homes.

To break old and harmful habits, form new and healthier modes of thought, to develop character based on the principles of God's Holy Word is the work we have tried to do. The results are with God, who has surely been with us helping and comforting us throughout the year.

Evangelistic Work.—Miss Hampton writes: "September of 1892 found the Hokkaido supplied with two Bible Women, both graduates of the Yokonama Training School. One of these was sent to Otaru where the pastor's home was open to the Bible Women.

Three women baptized, several waiting for baptism, and interest awakened in many minds, are the results of her work. These women, numbering about thirty, are gathered in a weekly meeting. There also is a children's meeting of eighty-four children and a Sunday class of women. The second of these Bible Women, together with the native pastor's wife in Hakodate, also a graduate of Yokohama Training School, began daily visiting at the homes of the women, and took charge of three regular weekly meetings. Ishidzuka San opened a class in the Shiriswabe fishing village where she daily taught reading and writing to the girls for two hours. This work has been sustained through the year with an average attendance of twenty and an enrollment of thirty-six.

In April, this Bible Woman went to help the small but earnest band of Christians in Sapporo. She remained ten weeks, returning full of sympathy for the Church, and begging that some one be sent there in September. Three women baptized, seven on probation, and ten earnestly asking for instruction and light, made it quite apparent that this request should be granted.

Kakodate presents more indifference than any other field, but the interest is growing. Two women have been baptized and five are on probation. A promising feature of the work is the children's meetings; one conducted by a former pupil at her home. Six of these meetings are organized into Sunday Schools, each with five teachers who are members of the King's Daughter's Circle of the School.

The increased interest and call for more women make us realize the scarcity of workers and the necessity of training them. The need of a missionary whose time is not filled in the school, for this especial department of work increases constantly.

HIROSAKI.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1889.

Miss Baucus writes: The Girls' School, as usual, has had to face many difficulties; insufficient funds, an entire change of teachers and, quite as formidable as any, the preparation of an elaborate course of study which would be acceptable to the government. We have finally been compelled to cut ourselves in two and be represented as two schools, in order to exist. Our teachers are all women this year, and they have worked earnestly and faithfully to build up an intelligent, noble womanhood in our school.

In Hirosaki, as in all other places in Japan, there is a large class of girls, who can not be reached and helped through ordinary schools—the little nurse-girl, daily burdened with the weight of another human body. She must warm with her own clothing and with the heat of her own body, another child scarcely younger than herself, and is debarred from school, having no other education than the care of the little one and her life on the street give to her. Having a strong desire to help such little waifs, I opened a school or class for them in my own home from the first of September. For awhile irregularity of attendance and crying babies made the school anything but a success. But, from the first of January, the prospect brightened, the girls came more regularly, some of the babies were big enough to sit by their nurse's side and keep reasonably still, others were left at home, and altogether it began to seem quite like a little school. The teacher is a former Hakodate pupil. She has great patience and sympathy for them, and the children love her, and are improving wonderfully under her instruction.

We have been fortunate in having three Bible women in our District this year against two of last year. Takida O Suga San has continued her work in Aomori, and, though meeting unusual difficulties and trials, has not lost courage, but has perseveringly and patiently kept at work for the Master.

Kodate O Katsu San has worked especially among the Christian women of the church, and in addition, has had charge of the work in neighboring villages. Once a week she conducts a Sunday School in Yoshida of forty or fifty pupils, with no assistants, as there are no Christians in the place, and afterward makes a few calls in homes where she can effect an entrance. She also goes to Kuroishi and Fujisaki, holding a woman's meeting and a children's meeting in each place. Her work is highly appreciated by the Japanese.

Suzuki O Sen San's work has been upon entirely different lines, her mornings devoted to Bible classes in school, and afternoons to calls upon inquirers. Her influence among the school-girls has been very helpful. One day she asked a class of little girls what was the worst thing that could happen them. One thoughtfully answered "The worst thing that can happen to me is for Satan to come to my heart." This little girl is from a heathen home.

Early in the year Suzuki San organized a prayer meeting among the girls from Christian homes. She has encouraged them to pray and to tell their heart experiences. Others have dropped in, until now quite a little company gathers in an upper room at school for prayer each week. One of these girls has been baptized and others desire baptism, but, as yet, the parents of some refuse and others hesitate to give their consent. The work among the women, on account of their ignorance and superstition, is very slow. It is wonderful how many women learn to read after becoming Christians. First they want to sing, and the characters in the Hymnal are so easy, that they master them. Then the Bible does not seem much more difficult, and they study that. The Bible and Hymnal usually remain their sole literature.

With so many good workers in Hirosaki, our Sunday schools and children's meetings have been well cared for.

Our Central or Church Sunday School is a representative school, not composed of children only; two classes are of men, two of women, two of boys and two of girls. We are trying very hard to outgrow our present quarters, and, with this object in view, the women, under Mrs. Wadman's leadership, have commenced work for a new church.

I urge that a new missionary be sent for Hirosaki. This will mean responsibilities divided, burdens lifted, joys doubled, peace of mind increased, and what is more than all, a glorious future for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society work in Hirosaki.

NAGASAKI DISTRICT.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1879,

MISSIONARIES.

MISS E. RUSSELL, MISS JENNIE M. GHEER,	<i>Nagasaki.</i>	MISS ANNA S. FRENCH, *MISS ANNA L. BING.
MISS L. SEEDS, *MISS R. FORBES,	<i>Fukuoka.</i>	MISS GRACE TUCKER. MISS M. E. TAYLOR.
	<i>Kagoshima.</i>	

*Home on leave.

From the time that work was opened, fourteen years ago by this Society in Southern Japan, there has been steady progress. Year by year from that day of small beginnings when a school was opened with one scholar there have been no backward steps taken. Faithful work has received the Master's blessing, and the influence is felt all over the island of Kiushiu. The Nagasaki Girls' Schools have had a good year though with teaching force reduced, the burdens have fallen heavily on the missionaries. A revival in the church early in the year was felt in refreshing power in the school, but there were no conversions. As all the girls were converted last year, this fact is accounted for. Thirty new pupils were enrolled, but it was too early for these to decide for Christ. Later in the year, six of these united with the church, and their changed lives gave evidence of inward experience. The whole enrollment for the year is one hundred and fifty-three.

All the departments have been kept up with excellent results. The Music department enrolled 59 students ; 20 on the piano, and 39 on the organ, besides three large chorus classes. The Art department had added another industry to the Industrial School, that of hand-painted Christmas, New Year's and Birthday cards. They now have Japanese and foreign sewing, crocheting, embroidery, wood-carving and painting cards. Over 50 girls are members of the Epworth League, 39 of whom are members of the department of Christian Work, and are teachers in the eleven Sunday-schools organized in different parts of the city. A committee of five from this department looks after the Junior League, giving them a special meeting Sunday evening. The influence of these Sunday-schools is shown in disarming prejudice and preparing the way for christian work. A Christmas celebration was the cause of much interest, all the schools sharing in the program as well as the treat. The Buddhist priests did their best to stir up opposition. The teachers

in public schools brought all their influence to keep the children from going, telling them if they went into the church, their livers would be taken out; but over 300 children were on hand with all the relatives that could crowd in. The W. F. M. Auxiliary in Nagasaki numbers fifty-one. Fourteen dollars, the receipts for the year, have been given to Kumamoto. No help from the Society is given to this most important place, and yet good work is being done there by the Bible women and teacher, and with the many open doors in that region, its importance as a center is not over-estimated.

Fukuoka.—Seventy-five girls have been enrolled in this school, thirty-five are boarders. The year has been one of advancement in all lines of work, and of great harmony among the workers; ten conversions are reported in the school, and true Christian character developed. Miss Seeds writes that the native pastor, Kurimura San, manifests great interest in the school's prosperity, and helps in every possible way. The Japanese Principal also sets a noble example, not only before the schools, but also before the church people, among whom she is a faithful worker. A box sent by Miss Tucker's friends made a bright Christmas for the school. The Bible women have worked faithfully. Misses Seeds and Tucker accompany them when they can, and testify to their earnestness. Through their efforts new openings for Christian work have been found.

Kagoshima.—The work in Kagoshima has passed through many trials, but few places have presented so many opportunities. The Bible women have rendered most efficient service, visiting from house to house, holding meetings, searching out the sick and needy, and ministering to them. During the year one thousand and sixty-three visits were made in the city of Kagoshima alone. Over sixty homes are open to Christian instruction. Work is carried on in four districts in the city besides the ladies' home and church; five Sunday Schools, one Training School, and four Industrial Classes. During the year ten visits have been made into the country. Women's Meetings were held and tracts distributed. Miss Forbes made a visit to the Loo Choo islands, southwest of Kiushiu. An earnest appeal came for a Bible woman. They are a people without a religion, and are groping after some object to worship. Surely the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society should help these Japanese christians to carry the gospel to the regions beyond. Miss Forbes reports 300 gospel meetings and 15,000 tracts distributed during the year. It is a trial to one's faith to see these wide open doors, and yet not be able to press the advantages gained. At the close of the year Miss Forbes returned home broken in health, but with the needs of these people still pressing on her heart. The marriage of Miss

Taylor leaves another place to be filled. Miss Gheer has had the supervision of Bible women's work in Nagasaki District. She says: "While we have no great trials or great triumphs to report, we have had a year of steady work, and some souls have been won for Jesus. At the beginning of the year there were seven Bible women in Kiushiu. Four graduates from the Nagasaki school, joined the ranks. One of these took up Gospel Temperance work, traveling from place to place, lecturing, laying foundations for the organization of Societies, holding Women's Meetings, etc. The others were all engaged in the regular work of Bible women. These have made 4,664 visits, and had 3,108 talks on Christianity.

"This year two more women graduated from the Biblical Department in Nagasaki, and are ready for work. Had we twenty more women places would be found for them in the Master's vineyard. The calls for them are loud and oft-repeated. Many doors closed to men would open to a woman's gentle knocking. O that God may inspire hearts and provide means to carry on this work of saving souls for whom Christ died."

It will be seen by the wide opportunities offered in Nagasaki District, and the number of workers employed, how inadequate is the provision for carrying on even the work now on hand, to say nothing of extending it. Miss Forbes and Miss Bing are both at home, and both should have come a year earlier. Two more ladies are needed in Nagasaki, two at Kagoshima. A new building is an imperative necessity in Nagasaki, where the crowded rooms are a menace to health, and an obstruction to further development. The Biblical Department needs a building. Kumamoto should have a support. The fields are very white, where are the reapers? And where is the money? May God touch hearts and open pocket-books, and make an affirmative answer possible to these demands.

STATISTICS FOR JAPAN.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 22; Bible Women, 29; Boarding Schools, 7; Boarding Pupils, 340; Day Pupils, 233; Day Schools, 12; Pupils, 1,091; Training Schools, 3; Pupils, 35.

MEXICO.

ORGANIZED AS A CONFERENCE, 1835.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1874.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS MARY HASTINGS, Pachuca.

MISS HATTIE L. AYRES, City of Mexico.

MISS ANNA R. LIMBERGER, Puebla.

MISS EFFIE DUNMORE, Tetela.

MISS MARY DE F. LOYD, City of Mexico.

MISS THEDA A. PARKER, Puebla.

MISS AMELIA VAN DORSTEN, Tetela.

MISS LILLIAN NEIGER, Guanajuato.

Mexico City.—During the past year 143 girls have been enrolled, of whom 94 passed public examinations. The course of study covers twelve years exclusive of the Kindergarten. The Kindergarten is in charge of a teacher formerly connected with the Miraflores school. In the primary school the course of study prepared by the government is strictly followed. This is made obligatory for the public primary schools of the Federal District. The pupils in the intermediate, first year of secondary course, and the young ladies in the collegiate course all passed satisfactorily in their studies. The pupils have all had gymnastic exercises during the year.

In the music class nineteen pupils were examined by their teacher, Mrs. Mur, who has done everything possible for the advancement of these girls during the year. The same may be said of Prof. Ramos in the classes committed to him, and of the seven young ladies of the collegiate department, six of them have taught classes during the year. One of them, Guadalupe Ramneg died during the year.

In the name of both teachers and pupils we wish to thank Mr. Riery, the assistant pastor, who was present at the examination of every class in the school. Other members of the examining committee, namely, Rev. Dr. Butler, Rev. P. Valderrama and Rev. E. Zapata, were present as often as their other duties would permit.

The Board of Public Instruction sent as its representative, Mr. Cervantes Imas, who examined a number of classes. Some of the parents of the children were present.

During the year there were 41 girls in the Boarding department, of whom three were compelled to leave on account of sickness, and one other went to Guanajuato to assist Miss Neiger. In order that these girls may receive a complete education, they are taught to do the household duties appropriate to their sex.

We would not fail to mention Miss Medina, our faithful matron, who with devotion and zeal guards every interest committed to her.

The girls on their part have done what they could to aid their teachers. They have gone regularly and willingly to all the services of the church as well as to their own Epworth League, and have done their part in carrying out the work. In the Bible classes they presented excellent examinations. With but few exceptions we can say of all the girls that their conduct has been satisfactory.

At the beginning of the year we organized an Epworth League instead of our Christian Endeavor Society, and it forms the Dr. Wm. Butler Chapter of the Epworth League, of Mexico City. The measure of success given us in the work of the last year was due to the blessing and protection of God, and we trust His grace for the future.

Puebla.—The work in the Girls' school has gone steadily forward, giving us gladness by the increased number of pupils. From January 1st to October 1st we had passed the number 200 in our enrollment list. We believe that our girls have "grown in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ." In the Intermediate and Normal departments the Bible has been used as a text-book. Very precious and instructive have been the hours spent in the study of the word. We have seen that His word has not returned void.

Three of the teachers are graduates of the School and have worked nobly and earnestly. Miss Parker, in addition to her school duties, has taught a Sunday school class of women, has a special Bible class for women on Tuesday evening, and is President of the Society for the poor.

Many homes in the city among the better class and the poor are open to us, but our school duties are such that we can make but few visits, yet some have been made, bringing us nearer to the people. Our new Bible-woman is working most earnestly.

Miss Parker writes: "Our Epworth League meets every Sunday morning at ten o'clock, generally with a good attendance. The girls pray willingly but most of them do not like to talk. We have now a society for women which meets Monday afternoons at 4:30. Many of the girls are members of this society and occasionally lead the devotional exercises. The object of the society is not only to help the members spiritually, but also by the payment of a small amount weekly, to gather funds to aid in the payment of doctors and medicines for such of the members as may need such help. A small amount is also contributed to help those who do not belong to the society. We have a committee which visits the sick, so that the girls are being trained in this very necessary form of christian work. We have three bands of King's Daughters.

Mrs. Tubbs has charge of one, Miss Limberger of another, and I of another. We find the girls are more disposed to talk freely in these meetings than any where else, of their difficulties, desires and resolutions, and we are able to get nearer to them here than in other meetings.

Every teacher in the school is also a teacher in the Sunday school, and we have no teacher who does not make special preparation for this Sunday-school work.

We have changed Bible-women during the year. Mrs. Ricoy has gone to Orizaba, and in her place we have Mrs. Mercy Manriquez, who was converted from Catholicism a few years ago, and who is one of the most earnest Bible students I have ever seen. Her knowledge of the Bible is remarkable, especially as half a dozen years ago she knew nothing of it, nor of Protestantism. One of the difficulties in Mexico is the coldness manifested everywhere. A great many seem to think that conversion consists only in changing one's belief from Catholicism to Protestantism. We are trying to make the girls see that this is not sufficient, and we are praying for a deeper, more effectual work of grace in our own hearts, that we may be able to lead them to see that it is possible for them to live in intimate communion with our Heavenly Father."

Pachuca.—Miss Hastings writes: "To recount the mercies of the past year would be impossible; to recall its trials and difficulties is unnecessary. It is sufficient to say that for us it has been a busy year and we trust a profitable one. But to fully understand its results we wait till the morning of the eternal day. The number of applicants increases with each succeeding year. Almost every week some are sent away, and though attendance is variable, too often our rooms are crowded far beyond the limits of health and comfort.

Three languages are used in our school, and there is need of classes all the way from Kindergarten to High-school grades.

Not only are the children, but also many parents and friends, brought under gospel influence by our school-work which includes Bible study, tract distribution, cottage prayer meetings, etc., by which some are being led to the knowledge of Christ.

All departments have been under the care of the same assistants who have given us their faithful labors in the past."

Guanajuato.—Miss Neiger writes: "I am glad to be able to say this has been a very prosperous year, notwithstanding our unfortunate beginning. We have matriculated seventy-seven and the enrollment for this month is forty-five. We are anticipating a large increase next year and hope soon to have all we can accommodate.

"The larger girls have manifested much interest in the study of the Bible, and some of them are candidates for membership. It has been a personal joy to me to have these girls accept christianity, and see that they are endeavoring to live Christian lives. This is the one object, the winning of souls for Christ's kingdom. I have a Bible class of these girls which meets Saturday."

Tezontepec and Miraflores.—Dr. Butler writes that the work in Tezontepec constantly grows in interest.

In Miraflores we have 150 girls in our school; these partly supported by the Society and partly by our generous friends, Messrs. Robertson & Co., to whom we are under lasting obligations.

Dr. Craver, who has charge of the Apizaco School writes that they have had a prosperous year under the care of Miss Herlinda Bruilla. The examinations were attended by Misses Limberger and Neiger and were reported highly satisfactory. The school registered about 35 pupils.

Tetela.—This school opened the first Monday in February and continued in session through the year, with the exception of one week. There are 79 pupils enrolled.

The girls have shown marked development under our constant instruction. Our scholarship girls are bright, apt, industrious, and best of all, Christian. Seven of our girls were baptized during the year. The attendance at Sunday-school and church services remain about the same, but that at prayer meeting steadily increased. Much house-to-house visitation has been done and about 1,500 tracts distributed.

La Canada.—At this place there are 55 girls under the care of the missionaries stationed at Tetela.

STATISTICS FOR MEXICO.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 8; Native Teachers, 42; Bible Readers, 5; Orphanage, 1; Pupils, 143; Boarding Schools, 2; Pupils, 425; Day Schools, 10; Pupils, 534. (Last year's statistics.)

SOUTH AMERICA.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1874.

ARGENTINA.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS M. F. SWANEY,
MISS M. E. BOWEN,MISS M. J. HYDE,
MISS E. HEWETT,
MISS ELSIE WOOD.MISS E. LE HURAY,
MISS R. J. HAMMOND,

Rosario.—It was a grievous disappointment to Miss Swaney that the last General Executive Committee failed to respond favorably to the application for enlarged accommodations, and a reduction of funds on some lines of work was also specially discouraging. But she has kept at the work bravely. She speaks well of her assistants, but regrets that pupils educated in the school are drawn away to the government normal to be fitted for teachers in the government schools where the salaries are far in advance of those paid in our school. It is a fact to be deplored that the school at 949 Calle Comercio has not maintained the position and rank among the educational institutions of the Argentine Republic that it enjoyed a few years since, which is partially attributable to the inability to cope with some other schools on account of limited means. The sudden removal of Miss Disosway greatly increased the cares of Miss Swaney, as she had shared the work and responsibility as fully as if she had been a missionary.

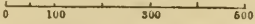
Miss Swaney writes: "It is true in more senses that one that the 'workman dies but the work goes on.' It must go on, and somebody whose hands are already full must take up the additional tasks. I would gladly have added another month to the summer vacation, if the interest of the school would have allowed; but we began promptly the first week in March. Pupils came in promptly for the first month, but very soon it became evident that the school was losing ground. Many of the pupils were from Roman Catholic families, and some of these dropped off without giving any good reason. This was the result, apparently, of diligent catechising and teaching done during the Lenten season. There has been a great effort for the last year to bring about a revival of Romanism in Rosario, and it is only natural that our school should feel the movement. After the middle of the year, new pupils began to come in and the average attendance is about the same as that of the corresponding months of last year.



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Scale of Miles



The San Luis school prospers in numbers, though suffering for lack of room, furniture and apparatus. In one room there are fifty children where there is space for only thirty. In this school, too, the higher grades thin out. We regret to learn that in two or three instances teachers have been employed who are not Protestants, because no others could be secured.

There have been one hundred and ninety girls in the two schools of whom fifteen are in the Home on Scholarships."

Buenos Ayres.—The work in Buenos Ayres has maintained its position. The school has not increased in numbers very much during the year.

The Italian Bible woman who did such faithful work formerly, has been kept at home by the illness of her mother for months, but the mother has passed on to the heavenly home, and the Bible work has been resumed.

The visit of Bishop Newman to Buenos Ayres was made a great blessing to all departments of work. Miss Le Huray in referring to it says: "The platform meetings in the interests of the missionary society and the Sunday-school were really wonderful. Being anxious that he should see our Sunday-school children, the fruit of our labors among the Spanish people, we had a grand rally in a public hall, and presented to him the happy faces of over twelve hundred children from the Sunday schools of Buenos Ayres alone."

Mrs. Newman organized a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, which added to that of the recently formed Epworth League, equips them with societies.

There are twenty-five pupils in the training school, with four teachers, a steady advance in scholarship, and commendatory reports from the public examiners.

The free day-school in two departments registers 146 children under two experienced teachers, with an average attendance of 120. More room is needed for the accommodation of this school.

Montevideo.—The interests of our work in Montevideo have been well cared for, and the fruitage of the years of toil and laborious seed-sowing is beginning to gladden the hearts of the "sower and reaper" as they rejoice together.

Through the indefatigable efforts of our ladies the schools are thoroughly graded and the course of study has been extended. English has been added as a requirement for the Spanish pupils. A professor from the National University was secured to teach French. A music teacher gave to the school two lessons each week in voice culture. A professor in mathematics, with other teachers, gave them quite an able

faculty, and a fine standing as a school of high grade commanding first-class patronage. The graded Bible work for every pupil in the school cannot be too highly commended.

There are Young People's Meetings, for spiritual improvement; a Temperance society with 50 members, and a Benevolent society organized by the girls, in which they make and repair garments for the poor.

These organizations are good evidence of the spirit and enthusiasm that has been infused into the pupils of this school, by the patient, prayerful, persistent efforts of our missionaries, who are now in the home-land for rest and recuperation.

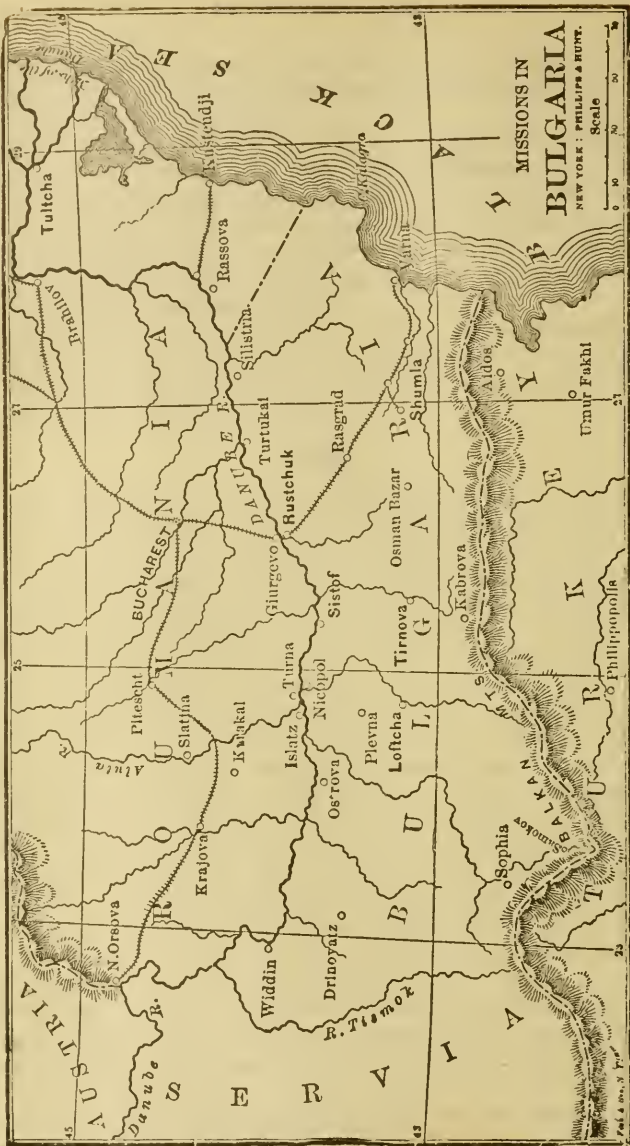
Miss Hewett has taken up this work, assisted by Miss Hammond.

The new building in its location and appointments is most satisfactory, and will give great influence to our work in that city, and to the cause of Protestantism in that province.

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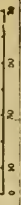
The first school of our society in Peru, South America, was opened September 15, 1891, in a small room with seats for only twenty pupils. To-day there are four school rooms and 128 scholars. The first school was started for the children of Sinor Penzotti's congregation; now nearly all of these pupils are attendants of the Spanish Sunday school. School No. 2, called for convenience the Callao high-school is held in the best school room in the city, and is connected with the boys' school. These rooms with good-sized courts or play-grounds, belong to the committee in charge of the English Protestant church, which has been for years without a pastor. They came very providentially into the hands of our missionary, with the furniture, maps, seats and desks. The pupils in this school are older and more advanced in scholarship than in any school in Callao. The other two schools are growing in number of pupils and influence. Miss Wood says "we feel much encouraged and hopeful for the future of this work. Doors are opening all around us. We need Bible women to go from house to house, and a medical missionary to go to the poor miserable beggars, and teach them what the doctors here cannot, that cleanliness is next to godliness, ignorant as they are of the meaning of these words. It sometimes seems a mystery, why with all the influence the nuns have with the Church, and the implicit obedience rendered to them, that they do not *command* the people to use a little soap and water, telling them that the salvation of their souls depends upon it the same as they do in making the women walk in bare feet over sharp stones, carrying burning incense after an image of the Virgin. But when I remember that the nuns themselves are from just this class of people my wonder increases! Pray for Peru,





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pray for the workers here that we may use our time and strength to the very best advantage for the Master, being content to do the smallest thing if it be a part of His great plan."

STATISTICS FOR SOUTH AMERICA.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 7; Boarding schools, 3; pupils, 128; day schools, 15; pupils, 1095.

BULGARIA.

CONSTITUTED A MISSION CONFERENCE, 1892.

WOMAN'S WORK ORGANIZED, 1884.

MISSIONARIES.

*MISS LINNA A. SCHENCK,
MISS KATE B. BLACKBURN,

*MISS ELLA B. FINCHAM,
MISS LYDIA DIEM.

*Home on leave.

So many changes have been made in the work in Bulgaria this year, it has seemed almost like building anew from the foundations.

Miss Blackburn left this country with the large company of missionaries, who sailed in November last. In London she parted company with her companions and pursued her journey alone. This was fraught with more difficulties and perplexities than the journey to India or China, but Miss Blackburn was courageous and accomplished it successfully. Snowbound on the plains of Austria for forty-eight hours, quarantined at the station opposite Rustchuk, where no one could be found who spoke German, French or English, her experiences were unpleasant in the extreme. When released from quarantine, she received a warm welcome in Mr. Constantine's home in Rustchuk. A further journey by steamer to Sistov made through cold, fog, and floating ice, with a carriage drive of fifty miles to Loftcha, completed this tedious journey. As she entered the town she was met by the girls of the school in a body, and greeted with song and pleasant words. Miss Blackburn wrote from Rustchuk, "I have seen some dark, weary hours, but in every instance, when I felt almost in despair, God has raised up some one to help. Step by step He has opened the way and not once have I regretted my decision to come. That question was settled before I left home."

Early in April Miss Fincham returned home, and Miss Blackburn was left with the entire responsibility of the school, and also to provide for the Sabbath services until the pastor arrived.

We count ourselves very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Lydia Diem of Switzerland. She is a daughter of one of the preachers in the Swiss Conference, and admirably adapted to the work she has to do. She is thoroughly qualified to teach French, music and drawing, branches of study that must be taught well, if we compete with the national schools. Another year has been added to the required course of study, making a six years' course. This will be still further advanced, as it is found necessary.

Of the girls who graduated in June, one is now entering upon Bible work and gives promise of being a successful worker. Two are employed as teachers in the school, and another has been sent to Constantinople to take a more extended course of study.

The standing of the pupils in their scholarship compares favorably with that of previous years. Our school buildings have been quite extensively repaired, and will be much more comfortable and attractive. There was no unusual religious interest manifested during the year, but five have united with the church on probation, and three were received into full membership.

Miss Blackburn says: "The results of the year do not measure up to our desires or ambitions, but faithful service for God was never in vain, and with hopeful courage we take up the duties of the new year, assured that sooner or later, the harvest will be garnered, and success crown our efforts for the redemption of Bulgaria."

SUMMARY OF BULGARIA.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 4; Assistants, 8; Boarding Schools, 1; Pupils, 75; Day Schools, 5; Pupils, 65.





ITALY.

ORGANIZED AS A CONFERENCE, 1881.
WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1886.

MISSIONARIES.

MISS EMMA HALL,

MISS ELLA VICKERY.

The year that has just closed has been one of unusual blessing upon the work in Italy. A new spirit of unity, a deeper trust in the power of the Holy Ghost, and a blessed hopefulness entered into all the work after the pentecostal Conference, presided over by Bishop Joyce.

The Bible Women took up their work with new zeal, and a more earnest purpose of winning souls. Mrs. Mando, though hindered much by sickness, writes that she never knew a year when she felt so strongly the presence of God with her in her visits. As she prayed and talked with families who denied the existence of the Father, she says: "He put the words into my mouth that brought these professed atheists to attend our Church." When too ill to visit, she had the women gather about her bed to hear the word of God, and learn of His wonderful love for them. She has distributed over six thousand tracts, many Bibles, and portions of Scripture.

Miss Biondi has been laboring for seven years as a Bible reader at Pisa. She was converted in New York city while attending Mrs. Phebe Palmer's meetings, and returned to Italy full of zeal for the conversion of her country women, that has never grown weaker during all her years of service. She holds, on an average, two meetings daily and reports a total of six hundred and ninety-two visits this year. The minister writes that she is invaluable to the Church, and speaks of her wonderful zeal and child-like trust in God.

Miss Passerini, at Forli, has been bitterly persecuted in her work by the Catholic nuns. They succeeded in drawing away most of the women in her sewing class, and have greatly injured her work among the children that promised so much during the early part of the year. She feels that she can do more good as a teacher in a Mission School, and resigns her position as Bible reader to enter upon this line of work.

The Mother's Meetings continue a means of doing much good to poor women. They are taught Bible verses and songs while they do their sewing. The money is advanced to them on some useful and needed article of clothing, they are taught to make it neatly, and are allowed to pay for it in small installments.

Misses Hall and Vickery in charge of the Orphanage and Training school at Rome, report the best year on record. A year ago the school was moved from the inconvenient quarters on the fifth floor of a tenement house to a more comfortable home with ample space for garden and playground. The health of the children has been remarkably good, and a marked improvement is shown in their home work, order and personal neatness. The girls are affectionate and obedient, possibly not so quick, intellectually, as their American sisters, but with warm, grateful hearts, and generous to a fault. Whatever comes to them as a pleasure must be shared with their companions. They are very much attached to our religion, and look so proud and determined to do their best when we tell them they must be living examples of the evangelical faith, and must hold high the standard of protestant girls.

When Bishop Joyce asked how many were willing to give their hearts to Jesus, and live so as to meet him in heaven, every child in the school rose. They have formed King's Daughters and prayer circles, where they tell of their special temptations, and pray for their weaker companions. Never a day passes that they do not remember the kind women in America who have made it possible for them to learn of God. Eleven girls have joined the Church this year, making seventeen members in all. The others have expressed the desire to do so, and are members of an "applicant's class," where they are taught our discipline and what it means to become a member of the Methodist Church. The school has had a remarkable record, for not one of the sixty-two children who have known its shelter and enjoyed its spiritual training, has ever gone astray or returned to Romanism. We praise God for this record, especially so, when we consider the many temptations to which they are exposed, and the severe tests of faith through which some have passed. Miss Hall, has been untiring in her devotion to them, and after they have left the home-roof, she follows them with her prayers and her letters, establishing them in the faith she has taught them.

Prassede, the oldest and one of the brightest girls in the school is at present in Cincinnati, studying in the Elizabeth Gamble Deaconess Home. She praises God continually that He has called her to Mission work, and writes letters full of hope in the prospect of eventually doing something for her beloved Italia.

Over one hundred applicants have been refused admission into the home for want of room and money. Eighteen of these were willing to pay, in part at least, for their tuition. Among the number received into the home this year is a daughter of General Garibaldi, who is greatly pleased with the Home. Though himself an atheist, he realizes the

danger of the want of moral restraint in the education of the young, and has placed all his children in protestant schools. Greater stability has been given this school by requiring with every application for admission, a contract promising that the child shall remain in the school till her education is completed.

The great need of the orphanage has been a home of its own, and Providence has this year opened the way for this also. A beautiful property situated on the Janiculum Hill, the most healthful situation in Rome, has been offered us by an English lady at one-half its value. The house at one time served as a Catholic school. It is situated in the midst of Catholic institutions, overlooks St. Peters and the Vatican, is on the road to Tasso's tomb, and the mount where St. Peter was crucified, The first payment on this property has been arranged for, and we are praying that God will put it into the hearts of some stewards of his money, to help us meet the \$10,000 yet due upon it, thus making a handsome monument of benevolence in the famous city.

One year ago an appropriation was made for the opening of a school of higher grade, for the daughters of our own church, and others who do not wish to place their daughters in convent schools of the city. To this work Bishop Joyce assigned Miss Vickery, at the session of the Italian Conference in 1892. Later in the year when it was decided to purchase the orphanage property, it was deemed inadvisable to open this new enterprise. This was a great disappointment to the Conference and our native church. At the last session of the Conference, presided over by Bishop Vincent, the appointment was again made, and made more emphatic. If, as has been said, "the voice of the church is the voice of God" then we cannot conscientiously delay longer to open this important work. It is confidently asserted by all who have looked over the field, that this school in a few years will be almost, if not quite self-supporting.

Miss Vickery wrote during the year, "There is no doubt that Italy is a difficult field, but one of the greatest burdens the missionaries here must carry is the want of faith on the part of the people at home. I write this because I have just read a letter which said in thought, if not in words 'no good can come out of Italy.' Are pieces of stone, bronze and silver, any less idols because called the Madonna or St. Peter? Are people who bow down to, and worship these images any less heathen than they who worship Buddha and Mohammed? We know our God is omnipotent, and Italy is a part of His kingdom and must rise and shine for His glory. Already the fields are white, and when he sends more reapers, the harvest will be such that all hearts will rejoice. The

old temple of Janus, the God of war, has crumbled into ruins ; may God raise upon its ashes, a new temple, that will proclaim the Gospel of peace to all Italy."

STATISTICS FOR ITALY.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 2 ; Bible Readers, 3 ; Orphanage, 1 ; Pupils, 40.

KOREA.

WOMAN'S WORK COMMENCED, 1885.

MISSIONARIES.

MRS. M. F. SCRANTON,
MISS MARY W. HARRIS,
*MISS L. C. ROTHWELLER,

MISS E. A. LEWIS,
MISS JOSEPHINE PAINE,
MISS LULA E. FREY,

MISS MARY M. CUTLER, M. D.

*Home on leave.

Mrs. Scranton writing from Seoul says : "The light has streamed out farther into this dark land than ever before. Some have come to a knowledge of the truth and give unmistakable evidence of changed hearts by trying to bring others to a like precious faith.

During the year Miss Paine and Dr. Cutler have been added to our working force, and are already proving themselves a blessing. There has been loss as well as gain. Miss Bengal is not, for the Parent-Board has taken her.

Our school work has prospered. One pupil left us on account of sickness, three have married, and the rumor of riots robbed us of two more, but others have come in, so that we now number thirty-five. Formerly we devoted considerable time to the study of Chinese, but as a suitable Korean woman could not be found as a teacher, we have abandoned the study altogether. The school has become in the main, a Bible school. Of course the girls have other studies, but the Bible is the principle thing.

Some of our girls have developed into valuable Christian workers. One who was married and went out from us a little more than two years ago, has during this year, become the Bible woman at our hospital. Every afternoon as the sick ones gather, she takes her books and goes and sits down with them and tells the story of Jesus and His love. Her ways are gentle and winning, and we have every reason for believing her work is being blessed of God. Her whole heart is in her work, and

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when any one accepts the teaching and becomes a true believer, she rejoices over them 'as one that findeth great spoil.'⁴ Another of our girls married in February last and has been stationed at our Baldwin Dispensary, where she acts as interpreter for our Doctor, and teaches such as will listen to her words. She and her husband both seem to have but one desire, and that is to bring the people of that neighborhood to Christ.

Another of our girls has for some time done good service in the hospital as an assistant, not at all for the love of that kind of work, for she naturally has a great shrinking from the disagreeable, but she does all for Jesus' sake. She said only a few days since, 'I could not do these things (for they make me sick) if I did not keep thinking of Jesus. When there is anything difficult to be done I, think how He came down into this world, and how He healed everybody who came to Him, and then I can do all I have to do.' We depend on this girl also, to do much religious teaching on the Sabbath. In my opinion we have not so very many young people of her age in the home-land who speak with more earnestness and more effectively than our Esther. Although so young she has donned the green cloak and goes either by day or by night anywhere we choose to send her. She says she meets with insults sometimes as she goes along the streets, but as she is working for Jesus she does not much mind it. A short time ago she wrote me a letter in which she inquired, "Are you glad when my country people believe in Jesus? I am just so glad, too; *how* glad I cannot tell you. I want always to work for Jesus just the best I know how."

Still another of our number, the first girl who came to us, has become the wife of one of our native preachers, and is standing side by side with her husband in work for the Master.

An effort was also made to have a class of women for instruction in christian doctrine. Many applied, supposing they would receive aid, but only five were admitted. I had at first said I would receive none who could not at least read. This was probably an unreasonable requirement, for in a country where there are no schools for women, and where from childhood to old age, women must work and that almost unceasingly, how can it be expected she will be otherwise than unlearned. Only one of the five had any knowledge whatever of books, and in her case it scarcely reached beyond the ability to decipher with difficulty the native character. It seemed a little discouraging, and yet as my heart had so long been drawn out toward a school for women, I felt it must be the call of the Master, and we must go forward, hopeless as the outlook seemed. After a few weeks trial the number was reduced to three. These studied most diligently. Two of them in

order to learn to write, copied the entire catechism. The third copied it in part. Before they left they asked that they might receive the ordinance of baptism. One of them has become a most earnest Christian, and desires to give her whole time and strength to work for Christ.

Last September we commenced work on the east side of the city, three miles away from the Home. The scarcity of laborers and the inconvenience of getting across the city through heat and cold, and moist and dry, has made the work there very hard : yet we are thankful to have been permitted to begin it, and feel that the results are such as to encourage us in the expectation that a grand work can be done in that section of the city. The first meetings were held in and around a little building owned by our Parent Board, Doctor Scranton taking the men on the outside of the house while the women met on the veranda and in the court. It soon became far too small for our numbers, and we were very thankful when on Christmas day we could meet in our own little Baldwin Chapel. It was very rough and unfinished, and indeed it is somewhat so to this day, but to us it was, and always has been, more attractive than the grandest cathedral ever dreamed of. It was thought best to make the attempt of having the women and the men meet in the same building ; accordingly a paper partition was put through the centre of the room, the men occupying one side and the women the other. They enter by different gates and doors, so cannot see each other although all can see the speaker. Now and then a woman after having gotten a look at a foreign man's face, takes fright and runs away, but for the most part the plan seems to bid fair to be successful, and I am hoping the day is not distant when the Parent Board will build a Chapel in Tjong Long and let us occupy it with them.

Many women say they have believing hearts ; that they pray in their homes, and try to do according to the teaching. A week or two ago a little break was made, one woman daring to say she very much desired baptism, and a father requested it for his daughter whom we know believes, and was not present to speak for herself. One white-haired old lady gave her experience in a very pathetic way. She said 'although she had the desire to have a new, clean heart, she was not yet good. There was much quarreling in her house, and she often got angry. It would be a great sin for her to be baptised until the anger all went away. By and by when she was better she should wish to be baptised.' Upon inquiry we learned that when she attempted to pray, she met with insults and abuse which stirred her more than she thought consistent with a christian profession.

Our religion has been challenged in an unexpected way in that locality. Awhile ago a woman came to talk with our Annie at the Dis-

pensary. She was in great trouble; she said her daughter-in-law would not "kong-kyeng-hao." This is a word which is difficult to render into English, retaining the full meaning. It is honor, respect, reverence, obedience, and nearly everything else of that sort which can be crowded into it. This woman said her daughter was bad, and if the new religion would make her good, she would do the doctrine also. She invited Annie to go to her house and give it a trial. Annie accepted the invitation, and the last report I heard was that the young woman now "kong-kyeng-haoed" to the entire satisfaction of the mother-in-law, and peace reigned.

Chemulpo.—For some time the need of work among the women of Chemulpo has been very evident, the Pastor considering his church a somewhat one-sided affair, inasmuch as men only attended, and the probabilities seemed strong the home influences were tending away from Christianity, rather than toward it. It was decided in the spring to make some special efforts to win entire households for God, instead of the male members only. In May we sent down our Mrs. Ni, believing that if any one could reach the hearts of the women, she could do it. She remained a little over one month, but with her best endeavors only had the opportunity of seeing about 40 who would listen to her teachings. Among these were the wives of three or four of the members of the church who have since then themselves become members of the church also. Mrs. Ni's return to Seoul becoming a necessity on account of her position here in the Home. Hellen, from our adult school, to whom I have already referred, was sent to assist Mrs. Kang (our Cecilia) in the work so well begun by Mrs. Ni. She commenced by going out to the neighboring houses, telling the women a little about the precious truths she had learned and inviting them to Mr. Kang's house on Friday and Sunday evenings to hear about Jesus. She met with some success, but soon found she was looked upon with suspicion. She therefore had resource to a stratagem. She walked all the way to Seoul, (27 miles) bought a few articles which she thought would insure her a welcome in any house she chose to enter, then walked back again to resume her work. She now goes from house to house as a peddler, taking care to sell her wares at prices which shall make the women desire to see her again, and never forgets to talk with them about the King's business. She is meeting with success and arousing a sufficient interest among the women, so that they come in large numbers to Cecilia's house and to the Chapel for further instruction. Since Mrs. Jones' return from China she has had this work in charge, and is most hopeful concerning it. We believe the church in Chemulpo has entered

upon times of greater prosperity than ever before, because of the accessions of the wives, the mothers and the children, and because of the bright prospects of more to follow.

Medical Work.—Dr. Cutler reached Seoul on the 30th of March last, and received such a hearty welcome that the home did not seem a new one, nor one among strangers in a strange land.

Dr. Cutler writes: "On April 12th, Miss Paine took me out for a walk, but before we had gone far along the west wall of the city the walk was cut short by finding several sick natives in little straw huts which seemed too small for even one person but some of which sheltered from four to six people. Such pitiable sights sent us home for the medicine case, a portion of the contents of which was most cheerfully given to those in need thereof.

"For about two weeks these sick ones—and others who soon joined them—were visited once, twice, and even as many as three times daily. As their condition improved the visits were made less and less often till three weeks ago when but two sick ones were left (and these were nearly well) out of a total of about 80 different people treated. For a time it seemed as if two new sick ones came for every old one who got well and went home. Some of the ailments were trivial, others were very grave. Some seemed to be beyond human help the first time they were seen. Four of such died. All others, so far as I know, recovered. Oh, how often I wanted to talk to them about the Great Physician but could not even speak His name so that these sick bodies and dying souls could understand.

"I have made 825 professional visits, treating 156 cases since my arrival. Of these cases sixty were among the women and girls connected with the School, eighty were on the city wall, two were among foreigners, and fourteen were in native houses. I hope soon to have a sufficient knowledge and command of the language to enable me to speak at least a few words to my patients about Jesus."

SUMMARY OF WORK IN KOREA.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 7; Boarding Schools, 1; Pupils, 35.

Foreign Summary.

	Missionaries W. F. M. S.	Medical Missionaries.	Bible Readers and Assistants.	Day Schools.	Pupils.	Boarding Schools.	Pupils.	Orphanages.	Orphans.	Training Schools.	Pupils.	Hospitals and Dispensaries.	Patients.	Homes for Homeless Women.	Pupils.
North India Conference.....	11	2	311	208	3,500	11	974	4	215	1	44	3	16,800	3	100
Northwest India Conference.....	5	.....	90	38	795	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South India Conference.....	3	.....	15	16	479	1	.....	2	86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bombay Conference.....	7	1	27	14	500	.....	.....	2	64	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Bengal—Burmah.....	9	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	350	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17,000	.....	.....
Malaysia Mission.....	5	.....	3	2	115	1	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North China Mission.....	13	4	.....	12	160	3	182	.....	.....	3	52	3	.....	.....	.....
Central China Mission.....	10	1	10	39	.....	3	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000	.....	.....
Foochow Conference.....	10	3	78	12	646	2	100	1	12	.....	.....	.....	6,000	.....	.....
Japan.....	22	.....	29	.....	1,091	7	340	.....	.....	3	35	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mexico.....	8	.....	47	10	534	2	425	1	143	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
South America.....	7	.....	.....	15	1,095	3	130	.....	.....	1	25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bulgaria.....	4	.....	8	5	65	1	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Italy.....	2	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Korea.....	7	1	3	.....	.....	1	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	123	12	624	383	8,890	41	2,758	10	520	8	156	12	41,800	3	100

It is impossible to get correct statistics for women under instruction in the various fields. Whole number of pupils in schools, 12,324.

Report of Home Work.

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The year has been one of unusual activity and earnest zeal all over our Branch territory from her wave washed coast to the summit of her mountain ranges, in city and country, in village and hamlet; and as the reapers have come, as did ancient Israel to the "Feast of Ingathering," bringing in their sheaves, the harvest-home-song has been, "We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power and hast reigned. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving, and honor and power and might be unto our God forever and ever."

Bountiful have been the harvests of "corn and wine and oil" crowding the garners, and making the presses overflow. The voice of song has been in hearts attuned by the touch of the divine One, and the light in the "Court of the women" has been burning with increasing beauty and effulgence, sending rays into many a nook and corner, unvisited hitherto.

Every month of the year, or nearly so, has been filled with preparations for public meetings connected with auxiliaries, district or camp-meeting occasions. Circulars and appeals have been issued, reminding our members of the necessity of vigorous efforts to maintain our influence and standing as an efficient agency of the church in sending the "light of life" into the "dark places of the earth."

Conference and District Secretaries have been faithful in their work, accepting joyfully the new duties devolving upon them from the change made in the early part of the year, providing for an assistant or Home Secretary, which was intended to make more efficient every department of our work. We are confident that this new feature in our Branch work, will eventuate in lessening the work of the Corresponding Secretary, and give greater efficiency to the home-side of our work. The change has brought to some of us, *necessarily*, great care and anxiety.

New plans for increasing interest, and raising funds have been added to those already in use. The "Worker's Quarterly" commenced as a private enterprise, was adopted later by the Branch, and has been both popular and helpful.

Pledge or helper's cards have been a fruitful source of revenue, especially among the children. More than a thousand of these have been distributed by the agent of supplies, and the Home Secretary has scattered them with a liberal hand everywhere among our organizations. Mite boxes too, have been furnished to any one upon condition that they contain at the close of the year, at least twenty-five cents.

Seven hundred Annual Reports and 1,800 Branch Annual Reports have been sent out. Nearly one hundred thousand pages of leaflets have been distributed, about one sixth of which have been gratuitous.

The "Little Light Bearer's" department has had a most successful year, steadily growing in favor, which has come about by patiently and persistently keeping it before the people. Outfits have been given out whenever persons could be found willing to take hold of it; only one woman in a church who will keep the records and receive the fees is required.

One hundred and seventy-five outfits and 400 enrollment cards have been distributed in our own Branch. Other Branches have purchased about 2,000 during the year, which are furnished to them at cost. Other denominations have purchased 7,500.

Our subscription list to *Heathen Woman's Friend* is slightly in advance of last year for which we are very grateful. But we are painfully conscious that we are not doing our best, and we hope for a larger increase in the year to come. The change of the paper to magazine form is winning for it the highest encomiums from the pat-

rons in this and other lands as well. We cannot be too grateful that we have been so signally favored in the services of Mrs. Ayars as successor to her mother in editing the paper so faithfully and efficiently, and it is with deepest regret that we are compelled to accept her declination to continue in the position another year.

The Heathen Children's Friend, too, is surely gaining in its list of subscribers, and its editor is a great favorite with the juveniles.

Thank Offering day was observed by many of the auxiliaries, and we think that this will become in our Branch, as in other Branches, a day to be observed each year.

Several Mission boxes have been sent to the fields to gladden the hearts of the workers as well as those who may, through these little gifts, come to better understand about the unspeakable gift.

We must speak of the assistance we have received from Miss Sparkes, who was in our Branch several weeks, inciting by her persuasive words of appeal to greater consecration and earnest effort in and for this work. Miss Baker, whose positive manner of enforcing facts upon the consciences of her hearers, won many disinterested ones to identify themselves with this work. Mrs. Stevens also, through the heat of midsummer, went into the rural districts of the eastern portion of our Branch and succeeded in reaching many who had never been interested in our work. Miss Harvey has done grand work in Vermont. Miss Carr has given her services in helping forward this cause.

Sixty-seven new Auxiliaries have been reported, but when we compare the whole number given there are only twenty-six more than last year, showing quite a falling off of the old Auxiliaries.

Our annual meeting at Lynn was well attended, and a blessed spirit of love and union prevailed. What we have done has been unto the Lord. We know He is a covenant keeping God, and He will surely be our helper in days to come as in the past, and we will continue to trust Him in the path of duty.

MRS. L. A. ALDERMAN,
Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance at Treasury October 1, 1892,	\$ 3,272 99
Receipts from Auxiliaries,	28,240 07
" " Bequests,	941 41
" " Donations, etc.,	462 65
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Total receipts,	\$29,644 13
Disbursements,	\$29,474 01
Balance, October 1, 1893,	2,943 11

M. E. HOLT,
Treasurer.

NEW YORK BRANCH.

INCLUDES NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY.

OFFICERS.

<i>Honorary President,</i>	MRS. JOSEPH A. WRIGHT, 452 Lexington Ave., N. Y.
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CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

<i>Central N. Y.,</i>	<i>Troy,</i>
MRS. J. D. EASTER, Clifton Springs, N. Y.	MRS. JOSEPH HILLMAN, Troy, N. Y.
<i>Eric, (fractional.)</i>	<i>Wyoming,</i>
MRS. W. V. HAZELTINE, Warren, Pa.	MRS. M. S. HARD, Kingston, Pa.
<i>Genesee,</i>	<i>Newark,</i>
MRS. J. T. GRACEY,	MRS. J. H. KNOWLES, Newark, N. J.
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MRS. F. G. HIBBARD, Clifton Springs,	
N. Y.	
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MRS. HANNIBAL ROBINSON,	MRS. D. D. LORE, Summit, N. J.
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<i>New York East,</i>	<i>Northern New York,</i>
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N. Y.	

Since our meeting in Syracuse, one year ago, the work of the Branch has been carried on, quietly and steadily, by the usual methods. The year has not been marked by any special enthusiasm, while much faithful work has been done by the Conference and District Secretaries in the Auxiliaries already recorded.

In looking over the Branch, we find much ground uncultivated that we earnestly desire to possess. An Auxiliary in every church, and every woman a member, is still the aim of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. How shall this be accomplished has been the subject of much thought during the past year, as the appeals for help have come from the fields God has so graciously prospered. Perfect harmony prevails among all our workers, and we are grateful for the reports that come to us of the power of the Holy Spirit, in the Quarterly and District Meetings, and the Camp Meeting Anniversaries. Some of our Conference Anniversaries have declined in interest, from the limited time given for the meeting, the afternoon being divided between two or three organizations. In this matter we are subject to the courtesy of the committee, to whom these arrangements are submitted by the Conference.

Time would not suffice to give a history of the hinderances and discouragements we have had. They have come from unexpected sources and have not been easily overcome, but God is our refuge and strength. The cause is in the hands, and on the heart of "Him who needeth not to be told what is in man."

The Ocean Grove Anniversary as usual, was a season of power. The interest in the meeting was greatly increased by the presence and words of Dr. and Mrs. Butler. More than twenty years ago, Mrs. Butler organized this auxiliary, in a tent with a few women. Mrs. Stokes was made President. Every year since, Dr. Stokes has kindly arranged a two days' anniversary for the auxiliary, thus spreading missionary enthusiasm and intelligence, far and wide over this land. The material results are known in our treasury, but the spiritual good will only be known when the "angels shout the harvest home."

We have been greatly helped in this Branch by our returned missionaries, Misses Sparkes, Cushman, Hewitt, English, Dr. Carleton, and Mrs. Jewell.

The report from the German work is very encouraging. The contributions have advanced, and the circulation of the "German Friend" has increased. The Conference Secretary was encouraged and helped by the presence of Miss Dreyer at the Conference, and the visits of Miss Rothweiler in some places. We hope this is the beginning of better things for our Woman's work among our German friends.

This Branch has sent no new missionaries this year to the foreign field. Mrs. Jewell and Dr. Carleton have returned to their work in China, we hope with renewed health and strength. They have greatly increased our interest in work for China, by their presence and labors among us. Miss English is expecting to return in a few weeks to her Orphanage work in Bareilly, India.

We have few new auxiliaries to report; no large increase in members. There has been increased interest in the Young People's Societies, and we have distributed much special work among them. We have increased the number of "Light Bearers" and circulated the "Star Cards." This is growth in the right direction. We rejoice in every indication of interest among the young people of the church.

The Mite Boxes are still in demand, and are useful reminders in many households.

We regret our inability to increase the circulation of literature in the Branch. The circulation of the Heathen Woman's Friend, and the Children's Friend, also the scattering of leaflets in the Branch, we deem of vital importance. This work of distribution should be made a personal interest by every member; and if thoroughly done, would we believe insure the success of our missionary work.

Financially, we have had a successful year, having raised the full amount pledged. In this we were greatly helped by bequests, and the large donation so kindly earned by Mrs. Asbury Lowrey. Surely the Lord has made His grace to abound toward us; and we bless His holy name.

MRS. H. B. SKIDMORE,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

NEW YORK BRANCH.

Receipts from Oct. 1, 1892 to Sept. 30, 1893.....	\$51,474.86
Disbursements during the year.....	50,954.76

Balance on hand Oct., 1893.....	\$ 520.10
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MRS. J. M. CORNELL,
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143 Center St., New York.

Treasurers.

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

INCLUDES PENNSYLVANIA AND DELAWARE.

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<i>President,</i>	MRS. M. S. WHEELER, Media, Pa.
<i>Cor. Secretary,</i>	MRS. S. L. KEEN, 1209 Arch St., Philadelphia.
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<i>Rec. Secretary,</i>	MISS E. A. TOWNSEND, 1711 Spruce St., Philadelphia.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	MRS. C. D. FOSS, 2043 Arch St., Philadelphia.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

<i>Central Pa.</i>	<i>Pittsburg,</i>
MISS MARY McCORD, Lewistown, Pa.	MRS. E. D. VANKIRK,
<i>Eric,</i>	238 Main St., Pittsburg, Pa.
MRS. W. V. HAZELTINE,	<i>Wilmington,</i>
216 Liberty St., Warren, Pa.	MRS. W. E. TOMKINSON, Bellevue, Del.
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MRS. J. H. CHUBB,	MRS. M. S. HARD, Kingston, Pa.
1335 S. Broad St., Philadelphia.	<i>Central N. Y., (Frac., Elmira Dist.)</i>
<i>Genesee, (Frac.) (Olean Dist.)</i>	MRS. S. RENDALL, Towanda, Pa.
MRS. E. H. LATIMER, Olean, N. Y.	

CONFERENCE TREASURERS.

<i>Central Pa.</i>	<i>Pittsburg,</i>
MRS. E. C. VANFOSSEN, Millintown, Pa.	MRS. CAROLINE M. ABRAHAM,
<i>Eric,</i>	Craig and Forbes Sts., Pittsburg, Pa.
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<i>Philadelphia,</i>	613 King St., Wilmington, Del.
MISS C. A. WEAVER,	<i>Wyoming,</i>
111 Olive St., Media, Pa.	MRS. C. P. SIMPSON,
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SUPERINTENDENTS OF BANDS.

<i>Central Pa.</i>	<i>Pittsburg,</i>
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MRS. M. L. SHEAFER,	
109 S. 7th St., Philadelphia, Pa.	

[Mrs. S. L. Keen, the Corresponding Secretary of the Philadelphia Branch, is absent making a tour of the world, visiting the various Missions of the Society, and for this reason no Home Report of the Branch appears.—EDITOR OF REPORT.]

TREASURER'S REPORT.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1892, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1893.

Balance on hand September 30, 1892.....	\$ 7,642.50
Receipts from Conferences.....	25,539.99
From other sources.....	265.80
Total receipts for year.....	\$33,448.29
Disbursements for year.....	\$27,711.06
Balance September 30, 1893.....	\$ 5,737.23

MRS. C. D. FOSS,
Treasurer.

BALTIMORE BRANCH.

INCLUDES MARYLAND, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA AND VIRGINIA.

OFFICERS.

<i>President,</i>	MRS. A. H. EATON, 636 N. Cary St., Baltimore, Md.
<i>Cor. Secretary,</i>	MRS. E. B. STEVENS, 117 E. Twenty-Fourth St., Baltimore, Md.
<i>Rec. Secretary,</i>	MRS. DR. W. C. MORGAN, Calverton, Md.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	MRS. E. R. UHLER, 661 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

Virginia Conference, MRS. S. M. HARTSTOCK, Washington, D. C.
Wilmington Conference, (Fractional) MRS. W. E. TOMKINSON, Bellevue, Del.

SUPERINTENDENT OF GERMAN WORK,

MISS GRACE UHLER, 661 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.

SUPERINTENDENT OF BANDS,

MRS. R. R. BATTEE, 2418 Madison avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Upon the cover of our last Branch Report is a pertinent question, "What wilt thou have me to do?" and a definite answer, "Bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth."

In the spirit of loyalty indicated in this question have we persued the way, and seldom has loyalty, faith, and perseverance been more severely tested. The financial stringency, so universal, has pressed heavily upon us, and twice we have been compelled to look for loans. To seek it through ordinary business channels we knew would be futile, and some of our friends whose willingness we were not disposed to question were unable to relieve our embarrassment.

We waited before our covenant keeping God and came to our anniversary through Red-seas of difficulty dry-shod—appropriations met, and over \$2,000 in the home treasury.

Many of these dollars weighed in Heaven's balance and tested by its cupel are found to have special weight and value. Old and young alike have earned, and saved, and given joyfully. One little fellow with shinning face brought the twenty-five cents he had earned by breaking stones on the road; orphans proposed to give up their Sunday beefsteak and molasses rather than face a deficit, and the last cent in the house with no knowledge where the next was to come from, has been offered to make up the membership due. Notwithstanding the limited area we occupy, the labor expended upon it, and the financial stringency, we report a gain of four auxiliaries and three bands. Every door opened to us in churches, conferences and camp meetings have been entered, and Misses Cushman, Carr and Sparkes, and later Rev. Geo. B. Smyth have rendered us excellent service. Plans proposed for adding to our funds that could be adopted with prayer—God forbid we should adopt any other—have been used, and interest has been increased by entertainments given by the children, and by Miss Cushman with her Peking School and Miss Sparkes illustrated lecture. All of these have given instruction and pleasure, and helped us financially.

The same deft fingers that have wrought so skillfully in the past have been not less busy this year, and Miss Thomas' basket has yielded \$250. Smaller sums have been realized from sales of infant's shoes, confectionery and other exhibits of womanly industry and skill. We would again express our indebtedness to the dear missionaries who have so frequently and so fully reported to auxiliaries and individuals their work, and to conference and district secretaries who have so cheerfully, lovingly and patiently toiled through another year.

Miss Gallimore, whom we have been honored to sustain in Gonda, is home on furlough, and so eager is she to help on this side the water that we fear her rest days will be few.

We have been notified of a bequest of \$2,000 made unconditionally and which we expect to receive in the spring. When other legacies have been paid we shall, with the Preacher's Aid of Baltimore Conference, receive the remainder of the estate.

A friend who has previously given to the Branch \$5,000 again has expressed his interest in the society, and his confidence in the integrity of the officers of Baltimore Branch by placing in our hands bonds to the value of \$7,000, bearing 8 per cent interest. This, however, is subject to an annuity and for the present does not increase our revenue.

The subscription list to our periodicals remains our mortification. A vigorous effort will be made to increase the list, indeed the effort was started at the last Branch annual meeting, a number pledging to secure by their own payment, if need be, a new subscriber. It is a mystery how one loving Christ and his kingdom, and possessed of ordinary intellectual ability, can have no relish for such food as our admirable paper presents each month.

MRS. E. B. STEYENS,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand as per last Annual Report.....	\$ 2,205.32
Receipts from all sources.....	10,924.76
Total.....	\$13,130.08
Total disbursements.....	10,878.67
Balance in treasury Oct. 11, 1892.....	\$ 2,251.41
Receipts from Auxiliaries.....	\$ 9,121.32
" " Easter Offering.....	1,101.67
" " Mite boxes.....	499.62
" " other sources.....	202.15
Total.....	\$10,924.76

MRS. E. R. UHLER,
Treasurer.

661 W. Fayette St., Baltimore, Md.

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

This Branch includes Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee, with headquarters at Cincinnati.

OFFICERS.

<i>President,</i>	MRS. BISHOP I. W. JOYCE, Chatanooga, Tenn.
<i>Rec. Secretary,</i>	MRS. C. W. BARNES, Springfield, Ohio.
<i>Cor. Secretary,</i>	MRS. B. R. COWEN, 7 Crescent Place, Cin., Ohio.
<i>Treasurers,</i>	{ MRS. OLIVER KINSEY, Mt. Auburn, Cin.
	{ MRS. JOHN T. KUNZ, Cin.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

<i>Cincinnati Con.</i>	<i>East Ohio Conf.</i>
MRS. J. F. LOYD, Delaware, Ohio.	MRS. J. R. MILLS, Painesville, O.
<i>Ohio Conf.</i>	<i>West Virginia Conf.</i>
MRS. J. H. CREIGHTON, Lithopolis, Ohio.	MRS. C. E. JACKSON, Moundsville, West Virginia.
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MRS. E. D. WHITLOCK, Bellefontaine, Ohio.	MRS. J. B. JONES, Covington, Ky.
<i>North Ohio Conf.</i>	<i>Tennessee Conf.</i>
MRS. J. MITCHELL, 210 Franklin Av., Cleveland, Ohio.	MRS. I. W. JOYCE, Chattanooga, Tenn.
<i>Central German Conference.</i>	
MISS CLARA BAUR, 28 Milton St., Cin. Ohio.	

Another year of labor in this work which the Lord hath set his willing hearted servants to perform, has reached a close. It has been one of more than ordinary anxiety. Beginning the year with a very small balance, and taking large appropriations, the panic found us from a worldly standpoint, in a very precarious situation. To add to the gravity of the case, many of our best workers were laid aside by sickness or home cares, and the burden bearers, saw no light except when looking upward. With hearts overflowing with gratitude the record is made, that even as the promise reads, it hath been done unto us. Our God hath "supplied all our need" and to Him be all the glory. The working spirit has been manifest both in auxiliary and young people's work, and with the praying spirit added, it was no marvel that success crowned each effort. Penny a day members are increasing and proportionate giving is being more and more a subject of thought and example. Literature has been eagerly sought for, and an increase in the list of subscribers to the *Heavenly Woman's Friend* is thankfully recorded. The little "Light Bearers" are adding to the growing missionary spirit and another year will show a great increase to their numbers. A new departure in missionary preparation has been taken within

the bounds of the Cincinnati Branch, which promises much for Foreign Missionary work. It is the establishment in connection with the Ohio Wesleyan University of a "Department of Christian Missions" under the direction of Rev. O. W. Willetts formerly of the North China Mission. It covers wide range, and will be of great value to Missionary candidates. The history of mission effort, comparative religions, lands and people, peculiarities of government and institutions, requirements, failures, successes, &c., are included in the course projected.

Early in the year Miss Mary Cutler, M. D., was sent to Korea, and in September Misses Lula Frey and Mary Harris left for the same field; one to fill the pledge made a year ago, the other to supply the place made vacant by the marriage of Miss Bengel, the money returned for outfit and passage, made this possible. Miss Rothweiler was not well enough to leave as expected; Misses Anna Bing and Mary Ketring come home on health leave, and Dr. Ernsberger is now on the way. Twenty-two Branch representatives are now on the field, but several of these are likely to be sent home the coming year. In almost every case double duty is being performed and we cannot wonder that a premature break down is the result. But what else can be done, when the Christian women of our favored land hold back their gold, and their daughters, and yet pray "Let Thy Kingdom Come."

The anniversaries at conferences and camp meetings as well as the annual meetings in the Districts have been remarkable without exception in deep spirituality and earnestness. There has never been a time before in our Branch history when this true missionary spirit was so manifest. This was especially true of the annual meeting of the Branch held in Cambridge, Ohio. The leading idea in all the exercises, was first, a giving of self to God so that gifts of time, money, service, children even, would be joyfully given. At this meeting in the joy of service, and the felt presence of the master, there was still an undercurrent of sadness over ties severed a year ago, and those made necessary this year. For the first time in our Branch history, Mrs. Clark was absent, and Mrs. Davis who had seemed almost essential to our work was not there. Then three conference secretaries, Mrs. Benton, Clason and Hingeley, who have given through all these years most faithful and efficient service, resigned, on account of family cares, or removal, and it seemed no one could fill the vacancies. Perhaps few Branches have been blest with so many officers of long standing. There have been comparatively few changes, and a spirit of love has characterized all our work, and the fact of Mrs. Clark, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Savage, Mrs. Benton, Mrs. Clason and Mrs. Hingeley all dropping from our ranks within two years, could not but make a deep impres-

sion ; and to those who were left it did not need be said "What thou doest do quickly." Five days after our annual meeting, Mrs. Clark "was not, for God took her." Quietly she sank to sleep on earth and woke to the glory of heaven. After a long life filled with blessed service, loved and honored, in the full exercise of all her faculties ere the "weary days" had come, she was taken home just as she had wished to die, without a day of sickness. She also would have wished her last service to be a Missionary Meeting which proved to be on Tuesday at the District Meeting, which met in her own church. Tuesday night, her work being done, she had not to wait as some, but went to be "forever with the Lord." Our Branch is bereaved, but each departure, only adds one more incentive to better service.

MRS. E. T. COWEN,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1892.....	\$ 1,479.74
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1892, to Oct. 1st, 1893.....	39,181.46
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	\$40,661.20
Expenditures.....	40,021.00
Balance on hand.....	640.20
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	\$40,661.20

MRS. OLIVER KINSEY,
MRS. JOHN C. KUNZ,
Treasurers.

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

Includes Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin.

OFFICERS.

<i>President,</i>	MRS. ISAAC R. HITT, Evanston, Ill.
<i>Cor. Secretary,</i>	MRS. F. P. CRANDON, Evanston, Ill.
<i>Sec'y of Home Department,</i>	MRS. LEWIS MEREDITH, Oak Park, Ill.
<i>Rec. Secretary,</i>	MRS. L. H. JENNINGS, Rogers Park, Chicago, Ill.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	MISS MARY A. GAMBLE, 38 Winder St., Detroit, Mich.
<i>Assistant Treasurer,</i>	MRS. B. D. YORK, Hancock, Ave., Detroit, Mich.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

<i>Rock River.</i>	<i>Northwest Indiana.</i>
MRS. CABEL BLISS, New Lenox, Ill.	MRS. A. C. MCKINSEY, Attica, Ind.
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<i>Southern Illinois.</i>	<i>Michigan.</i>
MRS. E. A. HYPES, Lebanon, Ill.	MRS. C. B. CARPENTER,
<i>Indiana.</i>	20 Clancy St., Grand Rapids, Mich.
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<i>Northern Indiana.</i>	MRS. N. C. GIFFIN, Fond-du-Lac, Wis.
MRS. C. G. HUDSON, Noblesville, Ind.	<i>West Wisconsin.</i>
	MRS. L. F. HALSTED, Baraboo, Wis.

GERMAN WORK.

Sup't-at-Large, MISS MARGARETHA DREYER, 360 E. Division St., Chicago, Ill.
Vice-Presid't-at-Large, MRS. C. ACHARD, 101 Park Place, Peoria, Ill.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

<i>Switzerland.</i>	<i>Cent. Germany (fract'l.)</i>
MRS. ANNA SPOERRI,	MISS ANNA BAUR,
21 Wacsergasse, St. Gallen.	28 Milton St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
<i>South Germany.</i>	<i>N. W. Germany (fract'l.)</i>
MRS. MAGDALENA MANN,	MRS. E. E. SCHUETTE,
88 Roederberg, Frankfort on the Main.	Charles City, Iowa.
<i>North Germany.</i>	<i>Chicago German.</i>
MRS. REV. WUNDERLICH,	MISS JULIA ENDERIS,
Schwarzenberg, Saxony.	237 Ninth St., Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>St. L. German (fract'l.)</i>	
MRS. WM. SCHNACKENBERG, Harper, Iowa.	

Last year when our annual appropriations were made, the Northwestern Branch assumed obligations which could only be redeemed by increasing the amount of its contributions for the previous year by ten thousand dollars. This was a very large addition, and such a responsibility was not to be recklessly nor lightly assumed. But the necessities

of the work were imperious. It seemed as if the Master demanded that new fields should be occupied and that the enterprises which we already had in hand should be strengthened. We took counsel not of our desires on the one hand nor of our fears on the other, but sought Divine guidance and direction, being anxious only that we should make no mistake as to what the Lord would have us do. Believing most devoutly that both safety and success would be found in the path of duty, and realizing that He whose commandment we desired to obey had declared "The silver is mine and the gold is mine," we were strong in the faith that He whose we are and whom we serve "would supply all our needs."

Right royally has our faith been vindicated. The year which has just closed has been the most successful which the Branch has ever known, and with hearts filled with thanksgiving for the prosperity which has been vouchsafed to our work and with a faith strengthened by this experience, we address ourselves with new energy and new zeal to whatever duties may lie before us.

Throughout the Branch the year has been characterized by persistent work and individual fidelity. A sense of personal responsibility as to our increased obligations seems to have pervaded our entire membership, and neither the financial disturbances which have been experienced, nor the attractions of the great Columbian Exposition, located near the centre of our patronizing territory, nor the demands of individual necessity have been permitted to interfere with the gathering of the funds which were needed for our enterprises. Rejoicing in this experience, we forget not at the same time to praise Him who has strengthened our hands, encouraged our hearts, and from Whom cometh all our help.

Of the labors in season and out of season, the results of which I have announced, the details cannot be given. No new methods of procedure have been observed. But without a detailed report we know something of what these contributions represent. They mean many self-denials, many uncomfortable economies, much planning and a great amount of painstaking labor in their gathering. They evidence the generous promptings of hearts which have been warmed by an earnest desire for the world's salvation.

The mite boxes which were distributed during the year to the number of 6,914 have yielded the goodly sum of \$3,203.94.

The Medical Educational Fund has received \$77.52 from the sales of the photographs of our missionaries. These receipts are far from being the only or the greatest benefit in which the distribution of these photographs result. Looking at us from our albums, or standing on our tables or mantels, they are constant reminders of the work and sacrifices of an earnest, self-denying band of women whose labors are all undertaken

"In His Name," and such reminders must in many ways and constantly stimulate the missionary spirit. It is greatly to be hoped that these sales may be largely increased.

During the past year the amount received from bequests has not been large. A sale of some property previously bequeathed to us netted to the Society \$900.00. From Mrs. M. E. Slade, of Illinois, the Society received \$500.00, which is charged with a life annuity of \$25.00. From Mrs. Soule we have received a gift of \$1500.00. This gift has greatly gladdened our hearts. This money, added to other contributions from the same generous source, will be used in the building of a home school at Aligarh, which will accommodate one hundred Hindoo girls.

Our revenue from the sale of leaflets is not so large as it has been in previous years. Nevertheless, from this source our Contingent Fund has been aided to the extent of \$99.58.

A constantly increasing interest in Thank-offering Day is noticeable throughout the Branch. It was practicable this year to appropriate these offerings to specific purposes, and Nagoya in Japan, Pachuca in Mexico, and Montevideo in South America, were sharers in the receipts, which gathered to the amount of \$10,202.74. The value of Thank-offering Day, both as a means of supplementing our contributions and for increasing the interest in our general work, cannot be overestimated.

Forty-nine boxes of supplies for our missionaries have during the year been packed and forwarded to various missionary stations.

The Itinerary Committee has directed the movements of special speakers for Auxiliary and District meetings and for Thank-offering anniversaries. This Committee has secured many favors from the railroad companies in the form of reduced fares for the missionaries who have addressed these gatherings. The saving in this respect is an important item in our treasury accounts.

As indicating an increasing interest in the society we are glad to report an increase in the number of subscribers to the *Heathen Woman's Friend*. The subscription list now numbers 5,146. The subscribers to *The Children's Friend* include 2,546 names, and to the *Heiden Frauen Freund* 683 names.

During the year a goodly number of missionaries have gone to the stations to which they had been assigned. Early in the year Miss Stahl and Miss Craig went to Calcutta, Miss Hebinger to Singapore, Mrs. Davis to Nanking, and Miss Wilson to Hing Hwa, China; Miss Blackburn to Loftcha, (later Miss Diem joined Miss Blackburn in Loftcha), and Miss Heaton to Japan. Dr. Gloss, after three years of absence, has returned to her former field of labor in North China. She has devoted nearly half of the three years to professional study and returns to her

station with increased qualifications for her work. If, as we hope, her health has been fully re-established, we shall expect to hear that an abundant success attends her labors.

Three of our missionaries have returned to their homes. Miss Fincham from Loftcha, Miss Hyde from Montevideo, and Miss Forbes from Kagoshima. Misses Fincham and Hyde were exhausted with the strain of consecutive years of service, but Miss Forbes would gladly have remained several more years in Japan had not a serious illness compelled her to return to this country. The physicians are yet unable to decide what the result of this illness may be; while hoping that her health may be restored, we can now only quote the words which closed her own report to the Woman's Conference in Japan: "The past and the present are alike in God's hands—I may not see, I can only trust, but He doeth all things well."

Miss Wheeler, of Kiu Kiang, has been captured by a member of our Parent Board. I presume the wedding bells rung out on the marriage of Miss Taylor, Miss Forbes' associate, on Monday, Oct. 9th. Though sorry to lose her from our band of missionaries, we extend our cordial congratulations to her and to the Southern Methodist mission, of which she now becomes a member.

In connection with our various meetings, we have had the services of a number of returned missionaries: Misses Howe and Shaw of our own Branch, as well as Mrs. Maxwell, Mrs. Hard and others. Miss Baker still continues her efficient help, and her knowledge of the work at home, as well as the work abroad, renders her invaluable to us.

The Women's Conference of Missions and the Women's Congress of Missions were notable gatherings and brought together women from many lands. The papers read at these meetings and the discussions which followed were of a high order and I am sure must have awakened a new interest in this work for women.

We enter the new year full of faith and courage and hope. Our Branch stands pledged to a contribution of \$70,000, for the coming year. This pledge was not taken hastily, nor unadvisedly, nor without prayer. We believe that it can and will be redeemed, and that upon those through whose labor and self-denial and devotion this end shall be accomplished, the blessings of our Heavenly Father in an abundant measure will rest.

MRS. F. P. CRANDON,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand, Oct. 1st, 1892	\$14,516.72
Receipts from Oct. 1st, 1892, to Oct. 1st, 1893.....	61,754.64
Total receipts	\$76,271.36
Disbursements	65,513.13
Amount in treasury, Oct. 1st, 1893	\$10,758.23

MARY A. GAMBLE,
Treasurer.

DES MOINES BRANCH.

INCLUDES IOWA AND MISSOURI.
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CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

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MRS. L. W. BYSKITT, Cedar, Iowa.	MRS. T. H. HAGERTY, St. Louis, Mo.
<i>Des Moines Conference,</i>	<i>Missouri Conference,</i>
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MRS. E. P. FRITZ, Marshalltown, Iowa.	To be supplied.
<i>Northwest Iowa Conference,</i>	<i>German Conference,</i>
MRS. A. G. CARTER, Marcus, Iowa.	MISS M. DREYER, Chicago, Ill.

The year just ended completes a decade for Des Moines Branch. We are deeply and truly thankful to God for all these years of blessings ; but for no one of them more grateful than the one just closed. We have verified this truth from Dr. McLaren, that "they who venture on no conflict in their own strength will ascribe no victory to their own arms, nor ever need to look back to moments of defeat when God's help failed them." It looked much like defeat when in February, Miss De Motte had to return home broken in health, after a very short term of service, and the same month we were obliged to borrow nearly a thousand dollars for the quarter's appropriation. Those were our darkest days. But the conflict was not ours, and out of seeming defeat divine help wrung the victory. The close of the year finds three new candidates eager for the foreign field, and one thousand dollars more in the treasury than we had pledged. While the number of new members and organizations is not so large as last year, there has been less falling off

than in former years, and our subscription lists are well sustained. Our first branch missionary, Miss Lawson, returned in the spring from seven years of most faithful service in India. At quarterly meetings, conference anniversaries, and in church and private meetings she has given much assistance to our workers. Last fall and again in the spring district conventions crowded each other, and later were numerous camp meetings and anniversaries, helping to spread information and arouse enthusiasm. It is quite safe to say that at no former time have so many Methodist women in Iowa and Missouri been so thoroughly enlisted in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, or more cheerfully rendered the "two cents a week and daily prayer." A few boxes of dolls and some other supplies have been sent out, but our best cargo over the seas was Misses Lauch and Wood to India, and Miss Wilkinson to China. Going out on half salary they sought *first* the kingdom of God, and He has not only supplied all their needs but given each one great joy in her labors. The branch missionaries in the field have helped us more than they will ever know by their timely letters and cheering messages.

Thank-offering day is numbered with special gratitude, not only from the spiritual blessings that attended its observance, but because when a certain sum had been asked of the branch, twice the amount was given.

Our agent of supplies has found her office no sinecure this year. Much of the very best missionary literature has gone over our field to the edification and enlargement of those who purchased it. We often wonder how we ever did without this valuable arm of service.

Our Branch president with hands already filled with labors for her branch, undertook the sale of missionary photographs and carried out the plan with great success. Another year we may hope for some revenue from this department, besides the interest created by the possession of these good faces in so many of our homes.

The "*Quarterly Items*" have carried to each auxiliary much home and foreign news of special interest and importance to our own branch. This too has been the work of our Miss Pearson—a work growing more essential each year. In contemplating the labors of this officer, and the no less faithful service of the branch treasurer the question often comes "was ever a corresponding secretary so ably supported by her associates, or any branch more favored with devoted workers?" Our conference and district secretaries are growing in zeal and devotion and unselfishly giving themselves to this great work.

The annual meeting, like each of its predecessors, was the best one we ever held. Four missionaries, Mrs. VanPetten, Mrs. Badley, Dr.

Christianity and our own Miss Lawson, chained attention to the foreign field. Their frequent, simple talks, did as much good as the more formal addresses. Sabbath morning Mr. W. E. Blackstone gave us one of the most impressive missionary addresses we ever heard. Monday he talked on Personal Responsibility until his audience was mightily moved. He left us with the feeling that the greatest work of this life is to speedily send the Gospel to every creature.

With profound thanksgiving for all the past, and a great assurance of faith and courage for the future, we stand up close to the Northwestern branch and pledge with her one-hundred-thousand dollars for next year. If any other two branches have more assurance than this we will yield the palm and remind them that we are ten years old.

M. S. HUSTON,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand Oct. 1st., 1892.....	\$ 3,535.52
Receipts during the year.....	22,758.89
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Total	\$26,294.41
Total disbursements.....	23,488.65
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Balance on hand.....	\$ 2,805.76

MRS. E. K. STANLEY,
Treasurer.

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

Includes Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota.

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<i>Minnesota</i> ,	<i>North Dakota</i> ,
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MRS. JAS. SUYDAM, St. Paul, Minn.

Another year with its labors and rewards, its possibilities and successes, its trials and its triumphs has passed from us forever; the books are closed, to be opened for record never more. To-day we turn over the pages and with mingled joy and sadness review the record of its swiftly passing hours. We lift our hearts in thanksgiving over every advance step made while tears of regret fall upon many pages where we note the golden opportunities missed. Ah, if we only knew what things God counts *great* how different would the record be.

This, the tenth year of our Branch life, began with our territory cut in two, and five of our nine conferences taken to erect the new Columbia River Branch. The territory of Minnesota and the two Dakotas comprising four Conferences and a portion of the N. W. German Conference remained to us. This division of our forces and consequent depletion of our ranks served at once to depress and to stimulate. We issued our first circular letter early in the year announcing the division giving an outline of our work for the year and appealing to our women to fill up our depleted ranks and make this the best year in our history. While the results have not been equal to our highest expectations they have demonstrated the loyalty of the workers already enrolled, and faithfulness of many gleaners in this harvest.

But unlooked-for difficulties have appeared in the way, unexpected obstacles have been encountered, hard to overcome. Never in the history of our land have our people suffered such loss by fire and flood, by drouth and storm and tempest, by failures in business, by loss of work and crash of banks as during the present year.

The times are hard; this is the refrain that is repeated over and over and over again. True, it is the times are hard and money is used more carefully perhaps than ever because so hard to get. But we remember that the silver and gold are the Lord's and He whose word faileth never has said, "Give, and it shall be given you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together and running over."

Our conference Secretaries have carried on their work under many difficulties. Illness, and sudden death have come to the near relatives of our Minnesota Secretary calling her to her former home for many weeks. The Dakota Conference Secretary was called to spend the entire year, save a few weeks, in the State of New York, and of course found it difficult to lead her hosts to victory while so far removed from them.

The North Dakota Secretary organized an auxiliary in a new church in Fargo, and the next week the great fire came and swept the church itself, with one-third of the city, out of existence. In the desolation and ruin that was left the brave-hearted Secretary and her organized women opened their home to the homeless sufferers and for months labored most assiduously to supply their needs. Hundreds of families were left homeless as well as churchless. But we praise God for the brave young city that stood true to the principles of righteousness, when the adversary taking advantage of their helplessness tempted them to sell their freedom to the rum-power for \$30,000 and allow 30 saloons to be illegally licensed there. The rapid strides on the road to prosperity made by that city in the last few months show the wisdom as well as the righteousness of that decision, and proves again that God blesses cities as well as individuals.

All of the districts in the Minnesota Conference and two in Dakota have completed organization and excellent meetings have been held with these as well as two conventions of workers in the German Conference.

Not many new societies have been organized this year, but more interest has been awakened among the young people of the church than during any previous year. The work begun before by them in support of orphans, scholars, and Bible readers, has been well sustained, and in addition, the young people in one district alone, the Mankato, have pledged the support of a missionary and propose henceforth to be represented by one of their own number in the foreign field.

The Mission Bands among the children, like all other tender plants, will thrive just in proportion to the care given them. One band reports 93 members. What a host of workers for Christ is being trained in that church. I hope this work may be pushed the coming year, and that some godly woman in every church may hear the call to go in and train these eager, expectant, hopeful souls for reapers or gleaners in the mission fields of the world. Nor have the Baby Bands been forgotten. The delightful plan of enrolling all the little ones under five years was begun last year and has been continued to some extent this year.

An unusual degree of interest has been awakened among the young people especially, and several Mission boxes are now being prepared. One has been sent to Paori, one to Budaon, and one to Pithoragarh by the patrons of girls in these schools.

Of our Missionaries, Miss Blackstock has had a very busy year with many trying experiences in connection with the completion of the new school building. She has kept hopeful and cheerful through them all and now rejoices in having her school of 30 girls in their comfortable home. This Industrial school promises for the future of the work in Japan. Miss Blackmore left Singapore for her home in Australia early in January, where she has been taking much needed rest. She writes frequently and fully of the work done in the past, tells of returning health and of her longing to be back in her beloved Singapore by the beginning of the new year. Miss Abrams is here, after a year at home, fully rested, she thinks, and waiting only the word of command to return to her field of usefulness in Bombay.

Miss Willma Rouse, a young woman of experience as a teacher, one of our noblest and best, has been called to take the gospel to her heathen sisters and is with us as an accepted candidate ready for service wherever the Master calls.

We have had with us during the year Rev. Mr. Munson of Singapore and Miss Abrams of Bombay to tell of the work as they have seen it in the field. Mr. Munson gave us two weeks at the beginning of the year. Miss Abrams was with us at our first quarterly meeting and again for a month in the spring, speaking at one Conference, two district meetings and some twenty different churches. She was then obliged to cancel all further engagements and rest. She returns now ready again for work, longing to be again in her beloved India.

Miss Rouse has spent the summer visiting the churches on the Mankato district and enlisting the young people in the cause of Missions. We look for excellent results from this blessed seed-sowing.

Miss Jessie Ackerman, the round-the-world Missionary, gave two addresses in St. Paul and one in Minneapolis telling of the needs of

India's daughters, and secured the pledged support of 40 girls in our schools there for three years. Then, in the last few weeks, Mrs. Nind has been with us addressing large audiences at Winona, Aberdeen and Northfield and three fall Conferences and Annual Meetings, an inspiration and blessing everywhere.

We have published and distributed 1500 copies of our Branch Report; sent out three circular letters, some 600 pages, have also sent out 200 general reports, and 49,108 pages of leaflets. The work of preparing, editing and mailing all this mass of information is immense. Our agent of supplies is tireless, diligent and uncomplaining in this work, and it seems to me that the Master will one day say to her "Because thou hast been faithful in a few things I will make thee ruler over many things."

We have more than once during the year faced an empty treasury with obligations that must be met just before us. In these times of sorest need and distress we have taken the promise "Ask and it shall be given you" and have as often proved that He in whom we trust is faithful, and the needed help has come. Our obligations have all been met and the work undertaken has been carried successfully on.

The treasurer reports \$9,040.72 received this year. From the same four Conferences and miscellaneous receipts last year we had \$7,861.57 making a gain of \$1,179.15.

We are very grateful for this blessed result and record it with Thanksgiving. We have been favored with some generous givers this year. First we received a gift of \$500 for our Singapore work through Bishop Thoburn. Then there came to us an urgent appeal for funds to finish our school building in Tokio and in the hour of need, Mrs. C. D. Strong came to our help and gave us \$600. Again He sent us help when sadly needing money for our quarter's remittance; a widow not rich in this world's goods was his chosen almoner and a \$100 check, a gift of love, was put into our hands. Another widow longing to do something yet unable to command the money gave us a city lot in St. Paul. Another royal friend to our work has given us \$500 as the beginning of our annuity fund. These last gifts do not, of course, appear in this year's receipts but some time will go into this work for the Lord. There have been many touching incidents in connection with the gifts of money. The contents of a baby's bank unopened since the baby had been taken to live with the angels has been sent by the lonely mother to help save some other child. Precious souvenirs have been given up, a Swedish servant girl, not a Methodist even, hearing of this blessed work for heathen woman gave \$5.00 out of her scanty income. How precious are these gifts, how sacred this money. C. S. WINCHELL,

Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1892	\$ 3,686.65
Receipts from Oct. 1, '92, to Oct. 1, '93	9,040.72
Total	\$12,727.37
Disbursements	\$10,090.07
Balance on hand	\$ 2,637.30

MISS LILLIAN M. QUINBY,
Treasurer.

St. Paul, Minn.

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The story of one year is so nearly a repetition of every other that always the question arises, what can we say that will be of interest or profit to those who listen ?

Our statistics show a slight increase in numbers while our treasurer's report tells us we have not met our appropriation. It is true the receipts are several thousand dollars in advance of any previous year, but that there is still a deficit is a stubborn as well as humiliating fact. We also regret a loss of sixty-three subscribers to the H. W. F. We received one bequest this year. At a time when the treasury was empty and quarterly payments not all met, came six hundred dollars from the estate of Mrs. Cameron, who, for many years, was one of the faithful ones of the Lawrence Auxiliary, Kansas Conference.

A special gift of \$2,500 from Mr. and Mrs. Plested, of Trinidad, Colorado, purchased a desirable property in Meerut, India. And now Mrs. Plested—her husband having gone home to Heaven—proposes to give an equal sum for the erection of a suitable building for the girl's school. Mrs. Badley itinerated 5½ months in the Branch, thrilling the people wherever she went with her accounts of mission life and work in India. We are happy to report two young women from our borders are in the Chicago training school preparing for the foreign field.

The increased sales of literature from our bureau of supplies has been gratifying.

We have distributed 400 general, and 1,200 annual reports, and 800 mite boxes.

The interest in thank-offering grows, and at the annual meeting, plans were made that we believe will bring to pass a more general observance of this day.

Conference and camp-meeting anniversaries and district conventions held in nearly every district in our bounds, were generally successful; in many instances unusual blessings attending the service.

We believe results will confirm the assertion, that our annual meeting was the most profitable one we have held.

A large measure of the success was due to the services rendered by the missionaries who were with us, Miss Lanson, Mrs. Wilson, Drs. Oldham and Dease.

The news from the field has stirred our hearts as never before, and intensified our desires to hasten the coming of the Kingdom of our Christ. Through the closing days of the year, when we were, "perplexed but not in despair; cast down but not destroyed," and through the busy weeks following these words have come to us and we make them ours for the new year, "Speak to the children of Israel, that they go forward."

MISS M. WATSON,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance October 1, 1892,.....	\$ 641 63
Receipts from October 1, 1892 to October 1, 1893,.....	17,732 83
Disbursements,	17,214 38
Balance October 1, 1893,.....	1,160 08

MRS. A. M. DAVIS,
Treasurer.
Lincoln, Neb.

PACIFIC BRANCH.

INCLUDES CALIFORNIA, NEVADA AND ARIZONA.

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MRS. F. MEYER, Anaheim, Cal.	

We close the fifth and enter upon the sixth year of our life as a Branch with bright prospects and high hopes. The year has been marked by the coming and presence of Mrs. Mary C. Nind, who went up and down our Branch organizing new auxiliaries and inspiring old and new with great interest and zeal. She so powerfully presented the needs and privileges and blessings of the missionary cause that we almost doubled our membership auxiliaries.

Our all-day Missionary Meeting, the District and Annual Meetings have been wonderfully marked by the blessing and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Our mite boxes, photographs and literature, through our committees have been well and vigorously brought to notice and there has been much increase in circulation and sales.

Another year of self-denial and willing service deepens the love of the work and we rejoice because it has taken hold upon the hearts of many of our sisters, who have so long stood aloof from this work. Many consecrated ones have practiced the severest economy that they might take up more special work; the little Light Bearers have added to our ranks, Bishop Thoburn's baby boy belongs to this little circle and Mrs. Elsam, of Kampti, writes with characteristic mother-love her joy to count her baby as among our little Light Bearers.

Several young women have offered themselves to the foreign work and Miss Lillian Marks is ready to go.

Miss Jessie Ackerman in her hasty trip through California on her way east found patrons for fourteen girls to be schooled, fed and clothed for ten dollars per year for three years. Thus our work moves on and we pledge \$5,000, for the coming year less tremblingly than we did \$4,000 last year.

In one small auxiliary that supports seven orphans and two Bible-readers, the members denied themselves of butter on the bread that they might lengthen their list of orphans supported.

Our Heathen Woman's Friend finds many new *friends* and our little "*Pacific Quarterly*" goes all about among those who are too far away to attend the Quarterly and Annual Meetings.

In February last our beloved President and "Missionary mother, Mrs. J. P. Early" went to the mansions above. Truly the mighty have fallen and others who have wrought so long and successfully are nearing the pearly gates.

MRS. E. M. CROW,
Cor. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1892.....	\$ 155 07
Receipts from Oct. 1, 1892, to Oct. 1, 1893.....	4,712.70
Total.....	<u>\$4,867.77</u>
Disbursements.....	<u>4,592 05</u>
Balance on hand Oct. 1, 1893.....	\$ 275.05

MRS. D. C. COOK,
Treasurer.

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

INCLUDES WASHINGTON, IDAHO, MONTANA AND OREGON,
WITH HEADQUARTERS AT PORTLAND.

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Jesus had ascended! We imagine as the disciple sat awed and grief-stricken, talking about Jesus' parting words that Thomas might have said: "But how can it be done? It is impossible for us to teach all nations; we are but a handful; we shall be persecuted and slain." Peter forgiven and restored, filled with his old, impetuous love may have cried: "Then let us be slain, we will obey." Loving John might have spoken: "He said all power in Heaven and earth was His, and that He would be with us always." And they arose and went forth.

So we, the youngest among the branches have arisen and come forth. Through one year we have marched at the command of our captain. In our weakness and ignorance we could have done nothing but that the promise has been fulfilled to us: "Lo, I am with you alway." At every step we have recognized the presence and direction of our Leader. Last year when we were set off to form a new branch Mrs. Mary C. Nind was appointed to effect the organization. This seemed specially fitting. She was corresponding for Minneapolis branch when the territory now occupied by Columbia River branch was entirely undeveloped for the work. Eight years ago she came in person, inspiring workers, entusing all who heard her and so laying the foundations of the present branch. And this branch which she had been instrumental in building up we wanted her to organize. But Mrs. Nind was under engagement to go to the Pacific branch. We effected the organization without her, December 7, 1892.

In February, Mrs. James Abraham of Portland, in settling the affairs of her husband who had entered into rest, set aside \$15,000 for Bishop Thoburn to build three schools in India, the money to pass through our treasury. The property is in land. On account of the great financial depression, sales are slow and we shall be unable to appropriate any part of this money for the ensuing year. In April Mrs. Nind came to us after four months of going up and down the Pacific branch. Though with us less than a month she spoke at many points, organized new societies, reorganized old ones, was present at the organization of two districts and was with us for our second quarterly meeting. Her visit was a benediction. Her life reflected the rays of the Sun of righteousness and we were warmed and strengthened. In May, Miss Jessie Ackerman, Round-the-world Woman's Christian Temperance Union Missionary, visited Portland. She had promised Bishop Thoburn in Bombay to be responsible for the education of one hundred girls for three years at ten dollars a year. She visited Portland District Epworth League and took pledges for thirteen. As she went south through Oregon she secured enough more pledges to make forty-five. These she turned over to us to manage. Having secured permission of the Reference Committee we purpose doing this through the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

We have felt during the year considerable solicitude concerning our finances. Had we been walking only by sight it would have been anxiety. As the year progressed we found we could meet all of our regular appropriations but our conditional appropriations of one thousand dollars to the Mary C. Ninde Memorial Home in Singapore we have been unable to pay on account of the inability of the friend who promised us one thousand dollars this year, to fulfill his promise. During the fourth quarter came our great test of faith. Miss Foster, accepted a year ago, appointed in May to Singapore, had finished her University course and was now ready to go as Miss Ferris was alone and feeling the effects of climate and overwork, needed her greatly. We appropriated no money to send her. The means must come outside of our regular ingatherings. Her mother desired to pay one hundred dollars of the outfit, but where was the remainder of the money to be found? We prayed for it earnestly, sought for it eagerly and *prepared* her outfit. Our faith was sorely tried. Miss Foster wished to go September twelfth from San Francisco and it was not until August thirtieth that the money was promised. In eight days she was on her way. This brief report can give you little idea of the importunity of our prayers, the steadiness of our faith or of the blessedness of having the sea divide when pressed to its brink. Yea "I am the Lord thy God that divided the sea whose

waves roared." Our annual meeting in the beautiful city of Tacoma was a season of refreshing. Dr. B. F. Cherrington and Rev. Crawford Thoburn were present and gave stirring addresses.

From an able corps of conference secretaries we lose one by removal: Mrs. D. T. Monroe of Idaho conference. With the new branch has come new workers, new auxiliaries and new interest.

When we look at the magnitude of our territory and the many difficulties of cultivating it for the work, we are appalled and must turn quickly to the ascending Christ and hear again the words as they fall from the divine lips, "Lo, I am with you alway."

We wish gratefully to acknowledge the help and encouragement we have had the past year from the *Pacific Christian Advocate*. The editor, Rev. A. N. Fisher, D. D., is an able ally of our work.

At our organization our president suggested that being the eleventh branch we adopt for our motto the eleventh commandment: "Love one another as I have loved you." This has been our motto not only in word but in deed and in truth.

For the love that exists among us and for the blessings with which this first year of our existence has been crowned, we are devoutly thankful to Him whose we are and whom we serve.

MRS. MELVILLE C. WIRE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Allowed by the Minneapolis Branch.....	\$ 709.00
Receipts from other sources.....	3,964.23
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Total receipts.....	\$4,673.23
Total disbursements.....	4,280.59
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Balance.....	\$ 392.64

L. Y. WEAD,
Treasurer.

GERMAN WORK.

OFFICERS.

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CONFERENCE SECRETARIES.

<i>Conference in Switzerland.</i>	<i>Chicago German Conference.</i>
MRS. ANNA SPOERRI, 21 Wassergasse, St. Gallen.	MISS JULIA ENDERIS, 237 Ninth St., Milwaukee, Wis.
<i>Conference in North Germany.</i>	<i>Northwest German Conference.</i>
MRS. REV. WUNDERLICH, Schwarzenberg, Saxony.	MRS. JULIA SCHNETTE, Charles City, Ia.
<i>Conference in South Germany.</i>	<i>North German Conference.</i>
MRS. MAGDALENA MANN, 88 Roederbergweg, Frankfort on the Main.	MRS. MAGGIE ZIMMERMANN, 1022 13th Ave., S, Minneapolis, Minn.
<i>East German Conference.</i>	<i>St. Louis German Conference.</i>
MRS. ADA LAITZ, 42 S. Bridge St., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	MRS. EMMA SCHNACKENBERG, Harper, Ia.
<i>Central German Conference.</i>	<i>West German Conference.</i>
MISS ANNA BAUR, 28 Nulton St., Cincinnati, O.	MRS. ANNA GABRIEL, Enterprise, Kas. <i>California German Conference.</i>
	MRS. CAROLINE MEYER, San Bernadino, Cal.
	<i>North Pacific German Conference.</i>
	MRS. BERTHA BAUER, 511 Hoyt St., Portland, Or.

I fear some friends of the cause do not fully understand the relation of our German work to the various Branches, or to the Society as a whole. All that I can report is included in the various Branch reports preceding mine, and yet were the German work not done as a special work, and that in their own language, and from their standpoint, I fear there would be but little to report from it.

We have but to German Conferences in the United States and these have only 53,000 members, scattered through almost every State of the Union. So, while their numbers do not equal the membership of some English conferences, they cover the territory of all the eleven Branches. Take into further consideration that this work lies largely among the poorer people, and that we are constantly contributing to your numbers by those who have lost their interest in the language and people of their ancestry.

Thus our *home* work is virtually *foreign*, even though prosecuted on home soil, yet we neither desire or dare withdraw from the work abroad, and it is touching to learn of the efforts made by some of our poor sisters to secure their mite for the work. This year has been a trying one for all, but among the Germans it was felt very keenly, and some of the conferences found it impossible to reach their goal, yet, as a whole, we have held our position of last year, even gaining a very little.

Though our statistics are not all we wish, partly from imperfect reports, partly from lack of aggressive work, yet the spirit of the work is growing very generally—there is more appreciation of our *Heiden Frauen Freund*, more calls for literature, more requests for special work, and District and Branch meetings are growing in favor.

What I have said of the States is equally true of Germany and Switzerland, where we now have three conferences, which appear both as home and foreign work to us, for while we receive their contributions to our treasury, we also, through the Northwestern Branch, support one Bible woman in Germany and three in Switzerland. Aside from these our German work sustains 21 special cases of Bible women, scholarships and orphans in the Asiatic work.

As this year closes the first decade of our German work, I recall with gratitude what the work has done for me and all my German sisters; also grateful for the privilege of having increased our gifts to the work ten-fold in dollars and cents, many hundred-fold in sympathy and prayer, and that we were permitted to give three precious lives to the Master's work among our sisters across the seas.

MARGARETHA DREYER,

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German Work, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

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CONFERENCES.	Organizations.	Members.	Life Members.	Mite Boxes.	Subscribers Heiden Frauen Freund.	Subscrib's, H. W. F.	Subscrib's, H. C. F.	Receipts for all Purposes, 1893.	Receipts for all Purposes, 1892.
In Switzerland.....	25	813	..	..	126	..	..	\$251 05	\$265 17
In Germany.....	25	900	..	..	146	..	..	203 68	199 00
East German.....	15	559	..	54	170	10	27	449 96	401 15
Central German.....	20	355	3	122	189	20	..	809 64	820 73
Chicago German.....	5	146	1	18	177	1	..	336 00	290 79
North German.....	30	604	19	66	337	11	..	1,050 20	1,078 01
Northwest German.....	13	272	2	87	168	3	..	450 75	457 60
St. Louis German.....	18	442	..	21	277	16	30	388 09	623 11
West German.....	35	508	22	101	293	12	..	811 78	768 07
California German.....	4	34	..	57	44	2	10	86 00	47 60
North Pacific German.....	4	95	..	..	32	2	..	54 75	.....
Miscellaneous.....	..	..	..	..	732	..	..	.....	.....
Totals.....	194	4,520	47	520	2,691	77	67	\$4,957 90	\$4,951 23

Summary Home Work for 1893.

BRANCHES.	Auxiliaries.	Members.	Young Women's Societies.	Members.	Children's Bands.	Members.	Total Organ-izations.	Total Membership.	Life Members.	Life Patrons.	Honorary Managers.	Conference Secretaries.	District Secretaries.	Subscribers' Secretaries.	Heathen Woman's Friend.	Subscribers' Friend.	Heathen Children's Friend.	Subscribers' Friend.	Heiden Frauen Freund.
New England.....	460	13,214	34	861	98	2,307	592	16,382	578	....	6	9	27	2,848	2,387	2,387	32	32
New York.....	846	29,070	281	3,425	78	1,147	1,205	33,642	1,815	25	162	12	44	3,284	2,171	2,171	112	112	
Philadelphia.....	374	11,630	83	2,398	83	2,056	540	10,084	858	9	35	9	33	2,010	1,386	1,386	27	27	
Baltimore.....	130	4,986	*	.....	.....	872	160	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	9	705	301	301	58	58
Cincinnati.....	655	14,000	130	2,642	152	2,343	937	18,085	2,576	13	132	9	42	2,560	1,541	1,541	199	199	
Northwestern.....	1,678	27,234	85	2,313	134	2,910	1,217	32,457	4,272	22	174	16	70	5,146	2,546	2,546	683	683	
Des Moines.....	436	10,170	45	977	47	966	528	12,113	1,606	13	42	8	33	1,879	1,181	1,181	402	402	
Minneapolis.....	133	2,814	12	286	33	779	178	3,879	394	11	50	5	9	509	426	426	415	415	
Topeka.....	277	5,900	28	520	30	730	335	7,150	625	32	35	12	35	1,154	854	854	306	306	
Pacific.....	79	1,900	10	334	14	254	103	2,578	156	.....	12	5	8	605	207	207	48	48
Columbia River.	77	1,581	9	244	13	322	99	2,147	19	.....	1	9	9	418	229	229	33	33
Foreign Sub.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	83	83	6	6
Scattering.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	227	119	119	280	280
Total.....	4,545	122,589	717	14,000	712	14,686	5,804	151,275	12,809	125	649	94	319	21,529	13,521	13,521	2,691	2,691	

* Included in Auxiliary.

Report of Committee on Missionary Candidates.

WHEREAS, Your Committee has carefully and prayerfully considered the testimonials of the following candidates,—

1. *Resolved*, That in view of the numerous excellent testimonials of Miss Anna Elicker, of Des Moines Branch, which show her special fitness for missionary work, we recommend her acceptance, and advise that she be allowed to remain for a time in the training school.

2. *Resolved*, That after examining the recommendations of Miss Mabel Allen and Miss Alice M. Otto, both of Des Moines Branch, we believe they will become efficient workers in the foreign field, and recommend their acceptance ; but request that they be allowed to spend at least a year in some training school.

3. *Resolved*, That in view of the efficient work done by Miss Harriet S. Alling in Japan, under the General Missionary Society, and the request of the Japanese Conference of the W. F. M. S. that she resume work under our supervision, we earnestly recommend her acceptance.

4. *Resolved*, That although Miss Florence E. Singer is under the required age, in view of the recommendation by the Philadelphia Branch, her marked ability as an instructor in music, and the special demand from Hakodate for a music teacher, we recommend her acceptance and early appointment.

5. *Resolved*, That your Committee find the testimonials of Miss Lola May Kidwell and Miss Mary E. Shockley, both of Cincinnati Branch satisfactory, and take great pleasure in recommending their acceptance.

WHEREAS, Your Committee has met with difficulty in consequence of having no uniform list of question answered by the candidates,

6. *Resolved*, That we desire to have a list of questions, covering the requirements laid down in the General Report, printed in the Report, and used throughout the various Branches.

7. *Resolved*, That we recommend that each candidate be requested to either appear before the Committee or furnish her photograph.

JULIA R. TOMKINSON, *Chairman*.

PHEBE STONE BEEMAN, *Secretary*.

Report of Committee on Publication.

WHEREAS, Death has made vacant the position so long and so ably filled by Mrs. Wm. F. Warren as editor of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*; and,

WHEREAS, Mrs. Mary Warren Ayars declines longer to occupy the place, which to the great relief of the Constitutional Publication Committee she accepted, and, until the close of the year, has filled with marked ability; and,

WHEREAS, Miss Louise Manning Hodgkins, of Boston, Mass., being very highly recommended, appeared before the Committee and impressed them as peculiarly fitted, by literary training, editorial experience, and personal consecration, for the responsible position; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That we present her name as a suitable candidate for the office of editor of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

2. *Resolved*, That Miss Pauline J. Walden, agent for the *Heathen Woman's Friend* and other publications of the Society, be continued at the same salary in the position she has so well filled for eleven years.

3. *Resolved*, That we express our appreciation of the labors of Mr. A. S. Weed in auditing the accounts of the agent, and request that he kindly perform the same office for the ensuing year.

4. *Resolved*, That Branch Treasurers be urged to send their reports for publication monthly to the *Heathen Woman's Friend*, as provided for in the Constitution.

5. *Resolved*, That in accordance with the recommendation of the present editor, two columns of the editorial section of the paper be devoted to a new department of practical suggestions for work.

6. *Resolved*, That the reporters for the Home Department be urged to confine themselves strictly to their allotted number of words.

7. *Resolved*, That in order to keep the Uniform Studies constantly before the auxiliaries and secure their general use, attention be called to them in each issue of the paper by an item or article, as may be most practicable.

8. *Resolved*, That we express our satisfaction in the change effected in the form of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*, at the beginning of the present volume.

9. *Resolved*, That on account of the success of the *Heathen Children's Friend*, it gives us pleasure to recommend the continuance of its

present editor, Mrs. O. W. Scott, on the same terms as the previous year

10. *Resolved*, That all children's bands be reported separately, and not in the list of new auxiliaries, as heretofore.

11. *Resolved*, That the ten-dollar certificates of life memberships, for use in children's bands, shall be available only for persons of fifteen years of age and under, and the names of all such life members shall be published in the *Heathen Children's Friend*.

12. *Resolved*, That Mrs. Clement Achard, the efficient editor of the *Heiden Frauen Freund*, be continued in the office, at the same terms as heretofore.

13. *Resolved*, That the December number of said paper be enlarged by four pages, so as to contain the report of the General Executive Committee.

14. *Resolved*, That Mrs. J. T. Gracey, Miss P. J. Walden, Mrs. J. H. Knowles, Miss Mary L. Ninde and Mrs. O. W. Scott be continued as the Literature Committee, and that \$2,200 be placed at their disposal for the performance of their work.

15. *Resolved*, That the Literature Committee be requested to furnish at regular intervals during the year ten issues of miscellaneous leaflets, of which the general summary of the year's work shall be one, 25,000 of nine to be furnished gratuitously and divided among the Branches; the tenth which is the general summary, to be limited to 15,000, the division to be left with the Corresponding Secretaries.

16. *Resolved*, That all leaflets containing statistics or dates, subject to change, be dated.

17. *Resolved*, That we call the attention of the Literature Committee to the importance of publishing bright, attractive leaflets for children.

18. *Resolved*, That recognizing the value of our Annual Report as a book of reference, the following additions be made to its table of contents: (1) A concise summary of the dates of beginning or resuming work, etc., be placed at the head of the report of each field, according to the plan pursued in the report of the General Missionary Society; (2) If it be practicable, a table of the property of the Society, with appropriate values, be printed in the Report.

19. *Resolved*, That the table of pronunciations and definitions of foreign terms become a permanent feature of the Report.

20. *Resolved*, That from all official references to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the word "parent" be omitted, and the word "general" be substituted.

In concluding these recommendations, your Committee offers the following:

WHEREAS, Mrs. J. T. Gracey has, with notable success and increasing efficiency, not only been Chairman of the Literature Committee from its organizations, but for twelve sessions Recording Secretary of the General Executive Committee, and for six years editor of the Annual Report, therefore be it

Resolved, That we hereby express our heartiest appreciation of her labors, and assure her of our continued confidence and affection.

A. H. EATON, *Chairman*.

JULIA LORE MCGREW, *Secretary*.

Report of Committee on Finance.

1. *Resolved*, That the Reference Committee may meet semi-annually, at the call of the chairman, six members constituting a quorum.

2. *Resolved*, That all accounts with missionaries shall be settled quarterly by the treasurer on the field, and no overdrawn account be carried beyond the quarter. Money for extra appropriations shall be paid only on an order from the treasurer in America.

3. *Resolved*, That we disapprove of missionaries bringing home girls to educate, and cannot countenance the raising of money for their support.

4. *Resolved*, That the wives of missionaries engaged in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, shall have a right to take part and vote in all meetings relating to the business or work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

5. *Resolved*, That the work in Tetela, Mexico, be placed in charge of a native teacher, and the missionaries there be transferred to Orizaba, at as early a date as may be practicable.

6. *Resolved*, That we instruct the agent of the HEATHEN WOMAN'S FRIEND to print five hundred copies of "Instructions to Missionaries" in leaflet form, the same to be at the disposal of the Branch secretaries to furnish to missionaries on the field, and to those being sent out.

7. *Resolved*, That each missionary returning for rest and recuperation be entirely exempt from public work for three months after her home-coming, and for three months before returning to her field of labor.

Inasmuch as it has come to our knowledge that our missionaries on shipboard have been subjected to unpleasant association and treatment by unprincipled persons under the protection of the officers, therefore,

8. *Resolved*, That each missionary after a voyage be required to furnish the secretary of the Reference Committee a written statement of her treatment by the officers of the vessel; also, whether or not countenance had been given to the presence of disreputable women on the vessel.

9. *Resolved*, That as a Society, we adopt the form of certificate given to missionaries by the New England Branch, and that we instruct the agent of the HEATHEN WOMAN'S FRIEND to print five hundred copies for distribution among the Branch Secretaries.

Having received the gratifying intelligence that the heavy debt that has rested upon the Girls' High School in Naini Tal, India, has been canceled, also of the increasing popularity of the school, and its advanced grade recognized by the Government in the grant-in-aid bestowed,—the largest with one exception given to any girls' school in India, therefore,

10. *Resolved*, That we hereby recognize the ability of the principal, Miss Easton, whose wisdom, courage, and perseverance, with God's blessing, have achieved these results.

11. *Resolved*, That we rejoice with her, and the India Conference generally, over this splendid result, and pledge to her and her work our continued love and interest.

WHEREAS, The year 1894 marks an important epoch in the history of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church,—the close of the first quarter of a century,—therefore,

12. *Resolved*, That it be celebrated as a silver anniversary; and that the Literature Committee be requested to make the announcement, and prepare a programme to be distributed as early as possible after this General Executive Committee meeting.

13. *Resolved*, That we make the occasion noteworthy by a freewill offering worthy the cause we represent, and that each Branch make special effort in this direction.

14. *Resolved*, That we make the building of the Woman's College in Lucknow our memorial for Mrs. W. F. Warren, so long identified with our Society, whose interest not only in the salvation, but the education, of heathen women is so well known.

Appropriations for 1893-94.

NEW ENGLAND BRANCH.			
<i>North India Conference.</i>			
<i>Bijnour</i> , Girls' boarding school, \$	120 00		
Second assistant	200 00		
Conveyance	60 00		
City work	92 00		
Village work	84 00		
Itinerating	34 00		
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Salary of Dr. Sheldon	300 00		
Salary of Miss Tresham	240 00		
Ploughman	20 00		
Medicines	100 00		
Conveyance	60 00		
<i>Mandtaar</i> , Schools and Bible readers	73 00		
<i>Nagina</i> , Schools and Bible readers	217 00		
<i>Najibabad</i> , Schools and Bible readers	80 00		
<i>Seohara</i> , Schools and Bible readers	68 00		
<i>Sherkol</i> , Schools and Bible readers	76 00		
<i>Moradabad</i> , Girls in boarding school	600 00		
Matron	64 00		
First assistant	200 00		
Repairs, school	100 00		
Twelve city schools	200 00		
School visitors	72 00		
Conveyance	100 00		
Compounder and medicines ..	87 00		
Servants and conveyance ..	44 00		
Repairs and one house	75 00		
Mrs. Plumer	60 00		
Bible readers	100 00		
<i>Bailey</i> , Orphanage	240 00		
Medical work	233 00		
<i>Lucknow</i> , Two scholarships (memorial)	60 00		
Missionary to be sent	900 00		
<i>Amroha District</i> , Schools and Bible readers	1,354 00		
Total	\$6,313 00		
<i>Northwest India.</i>			
<i>Multra</i> , Boarding school ..	\$200 00		
Conveyance	64 00		
Medical assistant	100 00		
Medicines	100 00		
Bible reader	20 00		
<i>Cawnpore</i> , Scholarships	216 00		
Assistants	200 00		
Total	\$900 00		
		<i>Bombay.</i>	
		<i>Bombay</i> , Bombay Home	\$354 00
		Conveyance of property ..	25 00
		Total	\$379 00
		<i>South India.</i>	
		<i>Haiderabad</i> , City girls' school ..	\$ 280 00
		Property	120 00
		<i>Madras</i> , Salary of Miss D'Jordan	260 00
		Salary of Miss Fanny Shaw ..	120 00
		Munshi and conveyance	70 00
		Scholarships	250 00
		<i>Bangalore</i> , Assistant	140 00
		School rent	12 00
		Total	\$1,252 00
		<i>Bengal.</i>	
		<i>Calcutta</i> , Scholarships	\$252 00
		Total	\$252 00
		<i>Malaysia Conference.</i>	
		<i>Singapore</i> , Salary of Miss Nor-	
		ris	\$210 00
		Chinese school rent, Telok	
		Ayer	117 00
		Scholarships	50 00
		Total	\$377 00
		<i>Korea.</i>	
		Half salary of Mrs. Scranton ..	\$ 300 00
		Half incidentals and travel-	
		ing expenses	100 00
		Salary and incidentals of Miss	
		Paige	750 00
		Traveling expenses of Miss	
		Paige	25 00
		Native teacher	100 00
		Man of all work	55 00
		Fuel	175 00
		Scholarships	576 00
		Total	\$2,081 00
		<i>Japan.</i>	
		<i>Hakodate</i> , Native teacher, Chi-	
		nese and science	\$ 144 00
		Scholarships	240 00
		<i>Hirosaki</i> , Assistant teacher ..	80 00
		<i>Yanagati</i> , Bible readers, rent	
		and traveling expenses	85 00
		<i>Tsukiji</i> , Scholarships	240 00

Teacher of mathematics.	144 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Scholarships	120 00
Science teacher	144 00
Industrial department: drawing teacher	36 00
Scholarships	40 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Pupils in training school	320 00
Salary of Mrs. Inagaki	192 00
Salary of Chinese teacher	120 00
Insurance and taxes	120 00
Yamabuckaho school.....	400 00
Traveling expenses.....	50 00
Poor school.....	15 00
Industrial.....	200 00
<i>Yagoya</i> , Home salary of Miss Danforth.....	375 00
Rent.....	130 00
Chinese and Japanese teacher	192 00
Science teacher.....	96 00
Sewing teacher.....	115 00
Matron.....	60 00
<i>Nagasaki</i> , Salary of Miss French	600 00
Incidentals of Miss French..	150 00
Scholarships	280 00
Total.....	\$4,683 00

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Salary and incidentals of Miss Young	\$ 750 00
Scholarships	900 00
Coolie	50 00
Day school	150 00
Industrial class, Tartar City.	100 00
Training school.....	225 00
<i>Tientsin</i> , Country work.....	150 00
<i>Tsun Hua</i> , Salary and incidentals of Miss Hale.....	750 00
Salary and incidentals of Miss Glover	750 00
Salary and incidentals of Dr. Terry	750 00
Boarding school	500 00
Hospital current expenses..	150 00
Drugs and instruments....	100 00
Coolie	50 00
Matron	50 00
Assistant.....	50 00
Watchman.....	50 00
Day school.....	75 00
Deficit on building	100 00
Return passage of Miss Hale	350 00
Total	\$6,050 00

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 240 00
Foundling	30 00
<i>Hai Sang</i> , Four day schools ...	200 00
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Salary and incidentals of Miss Hartford	750 00
Woman's school.....	150 00
Bible woman	20 00
Woman's conference ex- penses.....	20 00
Total.....	\$1,410 00

Central China.

<i>Nanking</i> , Scholarships.....	\$250 00
Assistant in woman's work..	48 00
Day school assistant.....	36 00
Industrial work.....	15 00
Books and tracts.....	50 00
Total	\$399 00

Bulgaria.

<i>Loftcha</i> , Scholarships.....	\$160 00
Matron and other service....	200 00
Total	\$360 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Scholarships.....	\$250 00
Interest on loan.....	100 00
Total.....	\$350 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 210 00
School supplies	200 00
Bible woman and supplies..	190 00
<i>Miraflores</i> , Native teacher and second teacher.....	570 00
<i>Pachuca</i> , Teachers	448 00
Scholarships	350 00
Water	32 00
Property.....	100 00
Repairs	100 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Second assistant.....	370 00
Scholarships	210 00
Total.....	\$2,780 00

South America.

<i>Buenos Aires</i> , Rent	\$ 200 00
<i>Montevideo</i> , Assistant.....	225 00
School supplies	200 00
Home salary of Miss Bowen..	375 00
Interest on loan.....	200 00
<i>Rosario</i> , Repairs and taxes ..	250 00
Salary of Miss Bennton	400 01
Scholarships	225 00
Renewal of furniture.....	60 00
<i>Peru</i> , Assistant teacher	300 00
Total.....	\$2,475 00

Summary.

North India Conference.....	\$6,313 00
Northwest India Conference	900 00
Bombay Conference	379 00
South India Conference	1,252 00
Bengal Conference	252 00
Malaysia Conference	377 00
Korea Conference.....	2,081 00
Japan Conference	4,688 00
North China Conference.....	6,050 00
Central China Conference....	399 00
Foochow Conference.....	1,410 00
Bulgaria Conference.....	360 00
Italy Conference.....	350 00

Mexico Conference	2,780 00
South America Conference..	2,475 00
Total.....	\$30,066 00
Contingent.....	1,734 00
Grand total.....	\$32,000 00

NEW YORK BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Barcilly</i> , Miss English, salary..	\$ 650 00
Orphanage	1,100 00
Second assistant.....	240 00
Dr. Bryan, salary.....	650 00
Medical work.....	230 00
Zenana work, Bible readers.	200 00
Conveyance.....	120 00
City schools.....	200 00
Mohallah and village work..	100 00
Mrs. Scott's school.....	100 00
Itinerating.....	20 00
Mrs. Neeld's munshi	17 00
<i>E. Patchganj and Faridpur</i>	58 00
<i>Khert Bajera</i>	34 00
<i>Phulbeet</i> , Two schools, four Bible readers.....	140 00
<i>W. Patchganj</i> , Three schools, six Bible readers.....	180 00
<i>Bisalpur</i> , Two schools, four Bible readers.....	100 00
<i>Khuhanj</i> , One school, one Bible reader	40 00
<i>Baheri</i> , Two schools, three Bible readers	50 00
<i>Navabganj</i> , Two schools, four Bible readers	70 00
<i>Lisauli</i> , Two schools, four Bible readers	70 00
<i>Purampur</i> , One school, two Bible readers.....	40 00
Papers, books, and tracts....	30 00
<i>Kurzapur</i>	72 00
<i>Mankapur</i>	80 00
<i>Ellenpur</i>	68 00
<i>Hardui</i> , Schools, two Bible women.....	170 00
<i>Unao</i>	160 00
<i>Baraich</i>	205 00
<i>Shahbad</i>	100 00
<i>Pauri</i> , Famine relief.....	35 00
Scholarships	128 00
Maulvi	60 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Miss Badden's salary	300 00
Miss Ellen Hayes.....	200 00
Miss Cummings.....	200 00
Home matron	40 00
Farm manager.....	40 00
Plowman	40 00
Scholarships	317 00
Village schools.....	100 00
Bible readers.....	120 00
Repairs.....	84 00
Munshi	32 00
Conveyance	60 00
Itinerating	50 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , Miss Clara Downey... 650 00	
Boarding school.....	100 00
Thakurdwara.....	60 00

Hiratpur	24 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , School.....	40 00
<i>Budaon</i> , Teachers, Bible women	250 00
<i>Aonla</i> , Schools, Bible women..	135 00
<i>Kakraula</i> , Schools, Bible women	100 00
<i>Ujhain</i> , Schools, Bible women..	96 00
<i>Salswan</i> , Schools, Bible women	40 00
<i>Balsi</i> , Schools, Bible women....	80 00
<i>Basauli</i> , Schools, Bible women	130 00

Total for North India.... \$8,500 00

Northwest India.

<i>Multra</i> , Miss Rowe's Bible readers.....	\$ 96 00
Itinerating	100 00
Twelve Hindustani scholarships	192 00
<i>Brindaban</i> , Bible readers.....	60 00
Scholarships	40 00
House rent	28 00
<i>Agra</i> , Mrs. Tindale's work... 56 00	
Bible readers	56 00
Teachers and rent	57 00
Conveyance	36 00
<i>Rameoli</i> , Bible reader and teacher	46 00
<i>Imadpur</i> , Bible reader.....	20 00
Itinerating	36 00
<i>Cawnpore</i> , Bible readers and schools.....	130 00
Teachers and Bible readers..	180 00
Scholarships	250 00
Matron	48 00
Teachers	80 00
<i>Allahabad</i> , Mrs. Clancy's munshi	20 00
Christian girls' school	20 00
Itinerating	30 00
<i>Lucknow</i> , Bible readers and conveyance	227 00

Total for Northwest India \$1,752 00

South India.

<i>Gulbarga</i> , Girls' boarding school	\$200 00
Assistant's salary	200 00
Conveyance	100 00
Bible women	40 00
<i>Madras</i> , Rent for home and orphanage.....	260 00
Bible women.....	120 40
Conveyance	80 00
Scholarships	600 00
Matron	120 00
City schools	360 00
<i>Kolar</i> , Bible women.....	40 00
Scholarship	120 00
Widows	36 00

Total for South India.... \$2,276 00

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , Miss Lawson's salary..	\$650 00
Mrs. Fritchley's salary.....	220 00
Pundit	58 00
Fees on transfer of property	100 00

Scholarships.....	360 00
Building.....	708 00
Total for Bombay.....	\$2,096 00
<i>Bengal.</i>	
Calcutta, Girls' boarding school	\$504 00
Home rent.....	360 00
Miss Maxey's return.....	400 00
Hindustani work, assistant..	80 00
Zenana teacher and Bible woman.....	80 00
Conveyance.....	150 00
Teacher and rent.....	52 00
Houurah, Teacher and rent....	45 00
Pakur, Orphans.....	25 00
Total for Bengal.....	\$1,696 00

<i>Central China.</i>	
Chinkiang, Salary, Miss Hoag, M. D.....	\$750 00
School and orphans.....	335 00
Fuel.....	50 00
Sewing women.....	30 00
Drugs and appliances.....	90 00
Hospital, support of five beds	75 00
Assistant.....	50 00
Furnishing hospital.....	15 00
Nanking, Miss Mitchell's salary	750 00
Repairs and painting building	90 00
Scholarships in girls' boarding school.....	200 00
Woman's school.....	120 00
Day schools.....	20 00
Matron for girls' boarding school.....	30 00
Kinkiang, Miss Stanton's salary.....	750 00
Day school.....	70 00
Orphans.....	100 00
Scholarships.....	140 00
Chinese teacher.....	50 00
Primary classes.....	30 00
Total for Central China..	\$3,745 00

<i>China.</i>	
Foachow, Five Bible women...	\$120 00
Woman's school.....	150 00
Scholarships, girls' boarding school.....	200 00
Postage.....	20 00
Hospital expenses.....	200 00
Hospital Bible women.....	40 00
City hospital expenses.....	250 00
City Bible woman.....	40 00
Dr. M Carleton's salary.....	750 00
Interpreter.....	100 00
Five orphans.....	100 00
Kueheng, Bible women.....	120 00
Peking, Country day school...	90 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
Traveling expenses.....	100 00
Mrs. Jewell's salary.....	750 00
Cooly.....	50 00
Training school.....	200 00
S. City Rondout school.....	75 00

Tientsin, Miss Crosthwaite's salary.....	750 00
Watchman.....	50 00
Gate-keeper for Home.....	50 00
Industrial class.....	100 00
Day school.....	200 00
Day school building.....	150 00
Bible women.....	100 00
Cooly.....	50 00
Chair hire.....	25 00
Tsun Hua, Scholarships.....	540 00
Matron.....	50 00
Cooly.....	50 00
Bible woman.....	50 00
Total for China.....	\$6,120 00

<i>Korea.</i>	
Seoul, Mrs. M. P. Scranton.....	\$375 00
Dr. Cutler's salary.....	750 00
Medicines and instruments..	200 00
Bible woman.....	100 00
Bible woman Sara.....	50 00
Repairs.....	25 00
Total for Korea.....	\$1,500 00

<i>Japan.</i>	
Hakodate, Miss M. S. Hampton	\$750 00
Rent and repairs, home and school.....	75 00
Land rent.....	75 00
Insurance.....	120 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
Scholarship teacher.....	80 00
Mr. Uno, Chinese teacher...	144 00
Yoshi San, Bible woman.....	75 00
Torichi, Shcusawabe, teacher and rent.....	60 00
Sunday schools, rent.....	40 00
Hirosaki, Miss Baucens's salary	750 00
School principal.....	140 00
Teacher or nurse girls.....	30 00
Bible woman, Mrs. Manoka..	60 00
Sendai, Bible woman, Mrs. Landas.....	60 00
Revt.....	12 00
Nagona, Miss Wilson.....	750 00
Rent.....	130 00
Primary teacher.....	100 00
Bible woman, Toyabashi.....	60 00
Fukuoka, Miss Tucker's salary	750 00
Insurance.....	90 00
Native principal.....	175 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Watchman.....	40 00
Nagasak, Bible woman, Inouye	90 00
Mrs. Kawakubo.....	73 00
Bible woman, Neshima.....	73 00
Bible woman, Inovarinyi Tomo.....	57 00
Miss Gheer's salary.....	750 00
Traveling expenses for work	200 00
Insurance.....	120 00
Scholarships, Nagasaki.....	680 00
Translation teacher.....	90 00
Matron and etiquette.....	90 00

Scholarship.....	120 00
<i>Yonezawa</i> , Salary of Miss Atkinson.....	750 00
Japanese teacher.....	180 00
School supplies.....	50 00
Rent.....	150 00
Bible woman supplies.....	68 00
Evangelistic work.....	32 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Scholarships, training school.....	120 00
Ragged school.....	15 00
Industrial school.....	200 00
<i>Tokyo</i> , Anglo Japanese Seminary in Aoyama.....	160 00
Repairs.....	80 00
Insurance.....	106 00
<i>Tsukiji</i> , Scholarships.....	160 00
Bible woman, Mrs. Nehra.....	40 00
Books and tracts.....	48 00
Meta day school.....	350 00
Lady to Hirosaki.....	1,000 00

Total for Japan..... \$11,298 00

Italy.

<i>Rome</i> , Mrs. Biondi.....	\$192 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Interest on Loan.....	100 00

Total for Italy..... \$442 00

South America.

<i>Buenos Aires</i> , Miss Le Huray's salary and incidentals.....	\$750 00
Miss Thompson.....	700 00
Salary and supplies of M. Chearilla.....	100 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
Matron and porter.....	270 00
Rent of school and Home.....	600 00
Rodriguez Peri.....	200 00
Repairs and taxes.....	125 00
<i>Rosario</i> , Organ.....	150 00
<i>Peru</i> , Miss Wood's salary.....	750 00
Rent of Home and school.....	380 00
Bible women.....	300 00
Interest on loan.....	200 00

Total for South America. \$5,125 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Scholarships.....	\$400 00
Insurance.....	50 00
<i>Tezontepc</i> , Assistant teacher.....	200 00
<i>Pachuca</i> , Miss Hastings's salary.....	750 00
Miss Dominguez.....	96 00
Porter.....	120 00
Scholarships.....	420 00
Bible tracts and books.....	100 00
Property.....	100 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Salary, Miss Parker.....	750 00
Lupi Rodriguez.....	174 00
Matron.....	186 00
Scholarships.....	490 00
Elementary sewing teacher.....	170 00
<i>Orizaba</i> , Bible women.....	100 00

Total for Mexico..... \$4,056 00

Summary.

North India.....	\$ 8,800 00
Northwest India.....	1,752 00
South India.....	2,276 00
Bombay.....	2,066 00
Bengal.....	1,696 00
Central China.....	3,745 00
China.....	6,120 00
Korea.....	1,500 00
Japan.....	11,298 00
Italy.....	442 00
South America.....	5,125 00
Mexico.....	4,056 00

Total..... \$48,906 00
Contingent..... 1,094 00

Grand total..... \$50,000 00

PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pauri</i> , Salary of first assistant Pundit for school and assistant.....	\$240 00
Repairs.....	60 00
Scholarships.....	84 00
Village schools.....	240 00
Famine relief.....	120 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Scholarships.....	35 00
Ploughmen.....	96 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , Scholarships.....	40 00
<i>Barilly</i> , Scholarships.....	60 00
Salary of fourth assistant.....	200 00
Salary of Miss Kyle.....	200 00
<i>Shahjahanpur</i> , Salary of Miss Haefter.....	650 00
New schoolhouse.....	650 00
<i>Lucknow</i> , City schools.....	200 00
Conveyance.....	67 00
<i>Gonda</i> , assistant.....	240 00
Itinerating.....	32 00
Building schoolhouse.....	200 00
<i>Balrampur and Mahdeva</i> —Bible women and schools.....	140 00

Total for North India.... \$4,221 00

Northwest India.

<i>Muttra</i> , Salary of Mrs. Matthews.....	\$300 00
District Bible readers.....	80 00
<i>Agra</i> , Salary of Miss Seymour.....	240 00
Conveyance.....	80 00
Servants.....	53 00
Water and wheel tax.....	12 00
Repairing bullock cart.....	33 00
<i>Caenpore</i> , Scholarships.....	130 00
Eurasian orphans.....	108 00
Salary of Miss McBurnie.....	650 00

Total for Northwest India. \$1,685 00

South India.

Haidarabad, Building fund... \$1,000 00

<i>Kolar</i> , Scholarships	40 00
Schools.	75 00
Total for South India.	\$1,115 00
<i>Bombay.</i>	
<i>Baroda</i> , Salary of Miss Hart.	\$220 00
Conveyances.	280 00
School teachers and Bible readers	260 00
Matron,	67 00
Maps and incidentals.	50 00
Scholarships.	400 00
Rent for home and school.	3 2 00
Salary of Miss Thompson.	650 00
Fin. Committee's expenses.	5 00
<i>Bombay</i> , Salary of Miss Thomas	240 00
Gate keeper	40 00
Furnishing new Bungalow.	100 00
Conveyance of property and agents' fees.	100 00
Total for Bombay.	\$2,754 00
<i>Bengal.</i>	
<i>Calcutta</i> , Support of Miss Oram	\$120 00
<i>Rangoon</i> , Scholarships.	50 00
<i>Mazaffarpur</i> , Building.	100 00
Scholarships	35 00
Total for Bengal	\$305 00
<i>Malaysia.</i>	
<i>Singapore</i> , Salary of Miss Fox.	\$210 00
Soundri's salary.	50 00
Bible women.	126 00
Scholarships.	100 00
Contingencies.	70 00
Total for Malaysia.	\$556 00
<i>North China.</i>	
<i>Peking</i> , Scholarships.	\$120 00
Matron.	50 00
Watchman.	50 00
<i>Tientsin</i> , Salary of Dr. Benn.	600 00
Incidentals.	150 00
Interpreter.	100 00
Bible woman.	50 00
Hospital expenses.	350 00
Hospital gate keeper.	50 00
Chair hire.	50 00
Coolies.	100 00
Total for North China.	\$1,670 00
<i>Central China.</i>	
<i>Chinkiang</i> , Salary, Miss White.	\$600 00
Incidentals.	150 00
Scholarship.	20 00
Teacher and assistant.	145 00
Repairs on hospital.	850 00
<i>Kiwokiang</i> , Scholarships.	120 00
Day-school teachers.	50 00
Orphans.	25 00
Bible woman and itinerating	87 00
Total for Central China.	\$2,047 00

<i>Foochow.</i>	
<i>Foochow</i> , High class seminary.	\$200 00
Hospital expenses.	200 00
Medical students.	125 00
Orphans.	30 00
Night watchman.	36 00
Total for Foochow.	\$591 00
<i>Japan.</i>	
<i>Hakodate</i> , Salary of Miss Dickerson	\$600 00
Incidentals	150 00
New missionary (music)	1,000 00
Rent and repairs.	80 00
Scholarships	260 00
Mrs. Takame's salary and supplies.	37 00
Bible woman for Otaru.	68 00
Rent and supplies.	22 00
Bible woman for Sapporo	68 00
Bible woman's travel and supplies.	12 00
<i>Sendai</i> , Bible woman for Matsumoto.	68 00
Bible woman's rent.	12 00
Tracts and cards.	16 00
<i>Tsukiji</i> , Salary of Miss Spenceer	600 00
Incidentals.	150 00
Scholarships	280 00
Traveling	60 00
Insurance	108 00
Salary of Miss Sugara.	88 00
Asakusa day school.	320 00
Fukagawa night school.	48 00
Watchman	88 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Scholarships.	200 00
Matron	68 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Mrs. Draper's Bible women.	30 00
<i>Nagasaki</i> , Scholarships in sch'l department in Biblical	200 00
Scholarships in Biblical department	40 00
Bible work, Mrs. Takamori.	87 00
<i>Fukuoka</i> , Scholarships.	40 00
Total for Japan	\$4,900 00
<i>Korea.</i>	
<i>Seoul</i> , Scholarships.	\$144 00
Hospital attendants.	150 00
Baldwin chapel and dispensary property.	300 00
Fuel.	50 00
Total for Korea	\$644 00
<i>Bulgaria.</i>	
<i>Loftcha</i> , First assistant.	\$200 00
Scholarships.	150 00
Hotanza school and Bible work	120 00
Total for Bulgaria	\$470 00
<i>Italy.</i>	
<i>Rome</i> , Scholarships.	\$200 00

Furniture	150 00
Interest on loan.....	100 00
Total for Italy.....	\$450 00
<i>Mexico.</i>	
Mexico, Salary of Miss Loyd...	\$600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	420 00
Matron	240 00
Rooms in Grante 5.....	80 00
Treasurer's expenses.....	40 00
San Vincente, Native teacher..	240 00
Rent	40 00
School supplies.....	60 00
Guanajuato, Rent and school supplies.....	288 00
First assistant teacher.....	288 00
Music teacher	96 00
Scholarships	140 00
Puebla, Salary of Miss Limberger	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Scholarships	140 00
Bible women and supplies...	100 00
Pachuca, Property.....	200 00
Alterations	100 00
Tetela, Assistant teacher.....	240 00
Scholarship.....	70 00
Oaxaca, Salary of Miss Dunmore	600 00
Incidentals	150 00
Total for Mexico.....	\$5,032 00
<i>South America.</i>	
Buenos Aires, Ass't teachers..	450 00
Scholarships	200 00
Repairs and taxes	100 00
Montevideo, Scholarships.....	100 00
Property	1,000 00
Peru, School furniture.....	100 00
Bible woman and supplies...	100 00
Rent	150 00
Total for South America.	\$2,200 00
<i>Summary.</i>	
North India	\$4,221 00
Northwest India	1,686 00
South India	1,115 00
Bombay.....	2,754 00
Bengal	305 06
Malaysia	556 00
North China	1,670 00
Central China	2,047 00
Foochow	591 00
Japan	4,900 00
Korea	644 00
Bulgaria	470 00
Italy	450 00
Mexico	5,032 00
South America.....	2,200 00
Total.....	\$28,641 00
Contingent	1,359 00
Grand total.....	\$30,000 00

BALTIMORE BRANCH.

North India.

Naini Tal, Mrs. Whitby's salary	\$280 00
Teacher girls' school.....	40 00
Matron	16 00
Books and repairs.....	160 00
Schools in Naini Tal	10 00
Rent for schoolhouses.....	47 00
Munshi	20 00
Dwarahat, Bible woman	67 00
Conveyance	34 00
Pithoragarh, Scholars.....	32 00
Village work	25 00
Moradabad, girls in boarding school.....	130 00
Second assistant	200 00
Mrs. Grant's salary (conditional)	200 00
Mrs. Grant's conveyance (conditional).....	67 00
Bulaoon, girls in boarding school.....	40 00
Bareilly, Orphans	120 00
Third assistant	200 00
Lucknow, Isabel Hart scholarship	26 00
Gonda, Miss Gillimore's home salary.....	350 00
Scholarships	100 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Building	150 00
Village work.....	60 00
Nawabganj and Ajudhiya.....	100 00
Colonganj.....	84 00
Total.....	\$2,391 00

Bombay.

Bombay, scholarships in school and orphanage.....	\$ 60 00
Day schools.....	90 00
Bible women.....	40 00
Unpaid building fund.....	124 00
Conveyance of property	25 00
Khandwa, Scholarships.....	40 00
Total.....	\$379 00

South India.

Haidarabad, Unpaid building fund.....	\$500 00
Assistant in English girls' school	240 00
Madras, Miss Stephens's salary	300 00
Rent for home and orphanage	260 00
Conveyance	60 00
Scholarships	240 00
Bangalore, Two assistants....	140 00
School rent	12 00
Kolar, Schools.....	75 00
Scholarships	160 00
Total.....	\$1,987 00

Northwest India.

Multra, Teachers	\$52 00
Bible women	80 00
Total.....	\$132 00

<i>Foochow,</i>	
<i>Foochow</i> , High class seminary	\$150 00
Scholarships in boarding school	300 00
Ming Chiang woman's school	450 00
Miss Site's salary	600 00
Incidentals to work	150 00
Hospital night watchman	36 00
Medical students	120 00
City Hospital expenses	250 00
Orphanage	180 00
City watchman	36 00
<i>Hing Hwa</i> , Sieng in woman's school	300 00
Repairs on J. Turner school	25 00
Gateman	32 00
General evangelistic work	100 00
<i>Ku Cheng</i> , Day schools	600 00
Bible women	120 00
Total	\$3,449.00

<i>Central China,</i>	
<i>Chin Kiang</i> , Orphans	\$40 00
Bedding and clothing	40 00
Books and stationery	20 00
<i>Kiukiang</i> , Orphans	50 00
Scholarships	40 00
Gateman	37 00
Total	\$227 00

<i>North China,</i>	
<i>Peking</i> , Scholarships	\$120 00
Tartar city day school	150 00
<i>Tientsin</i> , Hospital matron	50 00
Dispensary assistant	50 00
Total	\$370 00

<i>Japan,</i>	
<i>Hakodate</i> , Scholarships	\$ 80 00
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Kodate Katsu's salary	68 00
Kodate Katsu's travel and supplies	25 00
Suzuki San's salary	68 00
Suzuki San's travel and supplies	15 00
<i>Yonazawa</i> , Scholarships	80 00
<i>Tsukiji</i> , Scholarships	120 00
Kanda day school	480 00
Fukazawa day school	400 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Miss Bender's salary	600 00
Incidentals to work	150 00
Scholarships	120 00
Teacher of penmanship	48 00
Industrial department, embroidery teacher	60 00
Scholarships	80 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Miss Simons' salary	600 00
Incidentals to work	150 00
Painting building	50 00
Bible woman for day schools	60 00
<i>Nagasaki</i> , Scholarships	120 00
Scholarships in Biblical department	40 00
Teacher of Japanese	172 00

<i>Kwananoto</i> , Mrs. Oshima's salary, travel and rent	96 00
Total	\$3,682 00

<i>Korea,</i>	
<i>Seoul</i> , Scholarships	\$366 00
Matron	60 00
Miss Lewis' salary	600 00
Incidentals to work	150 00
Traveling expenses	50 00
Anna Cassidy's salary	50 00
Total	\$1,276.00

<i>Mexico,</i>	
<i>Mexico City</i> , Orphanage	\$140 00
Total	\$140 00

<i>South America,</i>	
<i>Montevideo</i> , Building	\$50 00
Total	\$50 00

<i>Italy,</i>	
<i>Rome</i> , Bible woman	\$192 00
Total	\$192 00

<i>Summary.</i>	
India	\$4,889 00
China	4,046 00
Japan	3,482 00
Korea	1,276 00
Mexico	140 00
South America	50 00
Italy	192 00
Total	\$14,275 00

CINCINNATI BRANCH.

<i>North India.</i>	
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Schools	\$75 00
Miss Reed	650 00
Bible readers, etc	40 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , Scholarships and medicines	137 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , Scholarships and medicines	100 00
<i>Agra</i> , Medical student	45 00
<i>Barilly</i> , Orphanage	210 00
<i>Tilhar and Kabra</i> , Bible readers and schools	80 00
<i>Jalolabad</i> , Bible readers and schools	125 00
<i>Pawagan and Khutar</i> , Bible readers and schools	90 00
<i>Shahjahanpore</i> , Boarding and day schools and zenana work	20 00
<i>Lucknow</i> , High school and college	650 00
Missionaries	220 00
Assistant	180 00
Scholarships	70 00
Repairs	325 00
Deaconess Home, Miss Sullivan	

Repairs.....	100 00
Support of work.....	300 00
Zenana work, assistant.....	160 00
Bible readers.....	100 00
Conveyance and munshi.....	100 00
<i>Scclapore</i> , Boarding school, teachers, scholarships, re- pairs, etc.....	1,100 00
Zenana work.....	970 00
Interest on debt.....	100 00
<i>Lakimpore</i>	130 00
<i>Bairabanki</i>	300 00
<i>Gonda</i> , Miss Scott.....	325 00
Teacher.....	130 00
Scholarships.....	30 00
Medicines.....	25 00
New building.....	150 00
Total.....	\$9,017 00

Northwest India.

<i>Muttra</i> , Scholarships.....	\$100 00
Conveyance.....	150 00
<i>Agra</i> , Conveyance and Repairs.....	100 00
Total.....	\$350 00

Bengal Conference.

<i>Calcutta</i> , Miss Blair.....	\$325 00
Scholarship.....	84 00
Bengali work.....	700 00
<i>Pakur</i> , Orphans.....	200 00
Bible women.....	100 00
<i>Rangoon</i> , Miss Wisner.....	650 00
Miss Keeler.....	325 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
<i>Singapore</i>	75 00
Total.....	\$2,659 00

Bombay.

<i>Bombay</i> , Rent.....	\$236 00
Conveyance of property.....	100 00
<i>Poona</i> , Five schools, two Bible women, etc.....	800 00
Miss Ernsburger's passage and home salary.....	700 00
Conditional.....	1,000 00
Total.....	\$2,936 00

South India.

<i>Madarabad</i> , Repairs.....	\$40 00
Conveyance.....	100 00
Building.....	500 00
<i>Bangalore</i> , Conveyance.....	100 00
<i>Kolar</i> , Orphans.....	160 00
Conveyance.....	15 00
Total.....	\$1,050 00

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Miss Sears's salary.....	\$600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Frey.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	540 00
Teacher.....	100 00

Gate keeper.....	50 00
Repairs and Postage.....	200 00
<i>Tsun Hwa</i> , Scholarships.....	90 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Deficit.....	50 00
Country school.....	50 00
Courier.....	30 00
Miss Ketring's home salary.....	350 00
Total.....	\$3,060 00

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Women's school.....	\$150 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Gate man.....	36 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Miss Jewell.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Bonafield.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Medical students.....	125 00
<i>Hing Hwa</i> , Day schools.....	900 00
Woman's school.....	400 00
Bible woman.....	480 00
Conference expenses.....	20 00
Total.....	\$3,911 00

Japan.

<i>Hokodate</i> , Scholarships.....	\$160 00
Water tax.....	24 00
<i>Hirosaki</i> , Teacher.....	80 00
<i>Tokyo</i> , Scholarships.....	160 00
Repairs.....	240 00
Traveling expenses.....	60 00
Matron.....	60 00
Translation teacher.....	104 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Miss Allen.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Insurance.....	106 00
Painting fence.....	15 00
Tracts and traveling expenses.....	88 00
Mrs. Chapples's Bible women.....	100 00
<i>Yakahama</i>	80 00
<i>Nagoya</i> , Teacher.....	140 00
<i>Fukuoka</i> , Miss Seeds.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Repairs.....	130 00
City Sunday Schools.....	20 00
Scholarships.....	120 00
Chinese teacher.....	145 00
Mathematical teacher.....	145 00
Science teacher.....	300 00
Primary teacher.....	125 00
Sewing.....	50 00
Matron.....	30 00
<i>Nagasaki</i> , Miss Russell.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Bath house.....	240 00
Repairs.....	160 00
Ground rent.....	226 00
Water rent.....	48 00
Scholarships.....	520 00
Science teacher.....	50 00
Assistant teachers.....	300 00
Chinese teacher.....	192 00
Industrial department.....	192 00
Preparatory department.....	134 00
Art department.....	350 00

Primary teachers.....	\$80 00
City work and tracts.....	140 0
Dispensary.....	200 00
Miss Bing's home salary.....	350 00
Bible readers: Miss Omura.....	106 00
Mrs. Inouya Tomo.....	58 00
Mrs. Tashira.....	65 00
Mrs. Saluta.....	80 00
Miss Suzuki.....	65 00
Tracts and cards.....	100 00
<i>Kumamoto</i>	350 00
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Total.....	\$9,242 00

Korea.

Scholarships.....	\$240 00
Gateman.....	55 00
Fuel.....	175 00
Evangelistic work.....	100 00
Miss Frey's salary for first year.....	400 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Harris's salary for first year.....	400 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Medical and instruments.....	150 00
House compound.....	50 00
Miss Rothweiler's return and salary.....	900 00
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Total.....	\$2,770 00

Mexico.

<i>Mexico</i> , Miss Ayres.....	\$600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	280 00
Professor Ramirez.....	384 00
Porter.....	190 00
Repairs.....	200 00
<i>Miraflores</i>	80 00
<i>Pachuca</i> , Property.....	100 00
<i>Tezontepec</i>	160 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Assistant teacher.....	370 00
Music teacher.....	140 00
School supplies.....	200 00
Porter and gardener.....	160 00
Taxes.....	280 00
Plumbing, etc.....	200 00
Scholarships.....	210 00
<i>Oyizaba</i> , Rent.....	240 00
Teacher.....	288 00
Porter.....	100 00
Furniture.....	100 00
Supplies.....	50 00
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Total.....	\$4,482 00

Italy.

Mothers' meetings.....	\$100 00
Interest on loan.....	100 00
Scholarships.....	50 00
Teacher and assistants.....	250 00
Furniture.....	250 00
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Total.....	\$750 00

South America.

<i>Buenos Aires</i> , School supplies.....	\$150 00
Rent.....	300 00

<i>Rosario</i> , Matron.....	300 00
Scholarships.....	300 00
<i>Montevideo</i> , Miss Hammond.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Assistant teacher.....	225 00
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Total.....	\$2,025 00

Summary.

North India.....	\$9,017 00
Northwest India.....	350 00
Bengal.....	2,659 00
Bombay.....	2,936 00
South India.....	1,650 00
China.....	6,971 00
Japan.....	9,242 00
Korea.....	2,770 00
Mexico.....	4,482 00
South America.....	2,025 00
Italy.....	750 00
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Total.....	\$42,252 00
Contingent.....	1,000 00
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Grand total.....	\$43,252 00

NORTHWESTERN BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pauri</i> , Second assistant.....	\$ 220 00
Servants.....	40 00
Famine relief.....	35 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Bible women.....	167 00
Itinerating.....	80 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Miss Clegg.....	140 00
Scholarships.....	192 00
Building at Darchula.....	700 00
Ploughmen.....	40 00
Teachers.....	80 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , Scholarships.....	220 00
First assistant.....	200 00
Munshi.....	20 00
Matron.....	40 00
Conveyance.....	60 00
Repairs.....	67 00
Teachers.....	72 00
<i>Chandauli</i> , Bible women.....	144 00
<i>Dhampur</i> , Bible women.....	60 00
<i>Kundarki</i> , Bible women.....	100 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , Scholarships.....	180 00
<i>Bulaoon</i> , Miss Wilson.....	325 00
Mrs. Butterfield.....	144 00
Munshi.....	20 00
Conveyances.....	60 00
City schools.....	160 00
Village work.....	207 00
Itinerating.....	34 00
Mrs. Thomas's munshi.....	17 00
<i>Dataganj</i> , Bible readers.....	40 00
<i>Barrilly</i> , Scholarships.....	160 00
Dr. McGregor's salary.....	650 00
Outfit and furniture.....	300 00
Medical outfit.....	400 00
Traveling expenses.....	400 00
Completing well.....	100 00
<i>Panahpur</i> , Schools and Bible readers.....	117 00
<i>Mohandi and Raksha</i> , Schools and Bible readers.....	100 00

Lucknow, Third assistant.....	\$200 00
Scholarships.....	75 00
Mrs. Ledlie.....	160 00
Blind women.....	40 00
Gonda, Miss Boyd, zenana assistant.....	180 00
Total.....	\$6,896 00

Northwest India.

Multra, English scholarships..	\$180 00
Matron.....	40 00
Scholarships.....	60 00
Land tax.....	22 00
Miss Rowe.....	325 00
Miss Biswas.....	240 00
Assistant.....	200 00
Aligarh, Louise Soules's school	3,000 00
Scholarships.....	1,000 00
First assistant.....	140 00
Second assistant.....	140 00
Teachers.....	88 00
Wall.....	25 00
Rent of house.....	120 00
Furniture.....	25 00
Cawnpore, Village and mohalla work.....	140 00
Conveyance.....	67 00
Mrs. Hoskins's itinerating.....	50 00
Mrs. Worthington.....	67 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Land tax.....	52 00
Scholarships.....	150 00
Bulandshahr, Bible readers.....	100 00
Christian girls' school.....	16 00
Conveyance.....	60 00
Mirzapur.....	28 00
Amrshahr.....	40 00
Shikarpur.....	40 00
Jahangirabad.....	60 00
Sikandarabad.....	36 00
Gilauithi.....	28 00
Mrs. Luke's itinerating.....	33 00
Total.....	\$6,672 00

South India.

Madras, Miss Chatterton.....	\$260 00
Miss Shaw.....	200 00
Scholarship.....	25 00
Conveyance.....	30 00
Munshi.....	40 00
Kolar, Scholarships.....	80 00
Matron and orphanage teacher.....	148 00
Total.....	\$783 00

Bombay.

Bombay, Miss De Line.....	\$ 650 00
Miss Carroll.....	650 00
Miss Rowbottom.....	240 00
Miss Cox.....	200 00
Conveyances.....	338 00
Pundits.....	58 00
Rent.....	800 00
Bible women and city schools	180 00
Scholarships.....	200 00

Expenses of transfer of property.....	250 00
Miss Carroll's return.....	400 00
Total.....	\$3,966 00

Bengal-Burma.

Asansol.....	\$ 400 00
Calcutta, Scholarships.....	504 00
Rent.....	260 00
Miss Daily.....	650 00
Miss Stahl.....	400 00
Miss Craig.....	325 00
Mazafarpur, Miss Ward.....	100 00
Assistant and medicine.....	100 00
Orphanage.....	160 00
Balance on building.....	76 00
Total.....	\$3,075 00

Malaysia.

Singapore, Matron.....	\$126 00
Scholarships.....	50 00
Contingencies.....	70 00
Total.....	\$246 00

North China.

Peking, Dr. Gloss.....	\$ 600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Interpreter.....	100 00
Traveling expenses.....	400 00
Hospital supplies.....	275 00
Current expenses medical work.....	300 00
Miss Steere.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	300 00
Return of Miss Steere.....	350 00
Watchman.....	50 00
Incidentals for Mrs. Game- well.....	100 00
Teacher.....	50 00
Tsun Hua, Training school.....	350 00
Total.....	\$3,775 00

Central China.

Kukiang, Miss Howe.....	\$ 300 00
Traveling expenses.....	400 00
Scholarships.....	160 00
Women's school.....	150 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Senior class teacher.....	100 00
Bungalow rent.....	30 00
Chinkiang, Miss Robinson.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Traveling expenses.....	350 00
Scholarships.....	60 00
Cook, matron and nurse.....	100 00
Watchman and waterman.....	98 00
Repairs and taxes.....	110 00
Dispensary.....	200 00
Nanking, Miss Peters.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Mrs. Davis.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Shaw.....	300 00
Itinerating.....	50 00

Scholarships.....	\$ 95 00
Boarding school teacher.....	108 00
Bible woman.....	48 00
Matron for woman's school..	36 00
Cook and gateman.....	85 00
Arvilla Lake school building...	1,400 00
Total.....	\$6,530 00

West China.

Chongking, Scholarships.....	\$200 00
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Foochow.

Foochow, Day schools.....	\$400 00
Scholarships in women's schools.....	120 00
Insurance.....	40 00
Hospital expenses.....	450 00
Dr. Lyon.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Interpreter.....	100 00
Dr. Masters.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Interpreter.....	300 00
Insurance.....	20 00
Gateman.....	36 00
Matron.....	40 00
Scholarships in boarding schools.....	120 00
Foundlings.....	150 00
Woman's conference.....	20 00
Hing Hwa, Miss Wilson.....	425 00
Home.....	500 00
Hingchung, Day schools.....	300 00
Bible women.....	48 00
Boarding school.....	200 00
long-hing, Traveling expenses	200 00
Total.....	\$4,769 00

Korea.

Seoul, Scholarships.....	\$240 00
Insurance.....	65 00
Repairs.....	200 00
Fuel.....	125 00
Total.....	\$630 00

Japan.

Hakodate, Repairs of school building..	\$160 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Scholarship teachers.....	80 00
Teacher mathematics.....	240 00
Tsukiji, Miss Locke.....	450 00
Scholarships.....	360 00
Ground rent.....	228 00
Chinese teacher.....	144 00
Primary teacher.....	100 00
Drawing teacher.....	40 00
Music teacher.....	40 00
Day school.....	480 00
Aoyama, scholarships.....	240 00
Chinese teacher.....	240 00
Japanese literature.....	96 00
Sewing and etiquette.....	58 00
Japanese music.....	52 00
Darwing teacher.....	48 00

Translation teacher.....	\$ 48 00
Yokohama, Scholarships.....	320 00
Bible teacher.....	80 00
Preparatory teacher.....	152 00
Music teacher.....	80 00
Traveling and itinerating.....	50 00
Books and tracts.....	80 00
Fuel and lights.....	80 00
Furniture and repairs.....	100 00
Painting and buildings.....	100 00
Aizawa, Day school.....	160 00
Kanagawa, Day school.....	210 00
Tobe, Day school.....	200 00
Mrs. Van Petten.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Traveling expenses.....	300 00
Nagata, Miss Heaton.....	400 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Personal teacher.....	100 00
Outfit and furniture.....	300 00
Traveling expenses.....	300 00
Nagasaki, Scholarships.....	200 00
Bible woman, Mrs. Shibata..	87 00
Bible women in training school.....	80 00
Fukuoka, Scholarships.....	200 00
Kagoshima, House rent (conditional).....	120 00
City evangelistic work.....	100 00
Traveling expenses.....	75 00
Miss Forbes's home salary.....	282 00
Miss Ailing's home salary.....	188 00
Traveling expenses.....	300 00
Total.....	\$8,878 00

Mexico.

Mexico, Scholarships.....	\$420 00
Assistant teacher.....	250 00
Physician and medicine.....	100 00
Water and street tax.....	100 00
Miraflores, Furniture.....	100 00
Sewing teacher.....	120 00
School supplies.....	200 00
Rent.....	60 00
Pachuca, Music teacher.....	288 00
Primary teacher.....	312 00
Porter.....	160 00
Repairs and garden.....	200 00
School supplies and furniture	250 00
Puebla, Kindergarten teachers	360 00
Dormitory supplies.....	50 00
Scholarships.....	280 00
Guanajuato, Miss Neiger.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Rent.....	240 00
School supplies.....	60 00
Second assistant.....	300 00
Porter.....	156 00
Apizaco, Teacher, Miss Bonilla	360 00
Rent.....	100 00
Teachers.....	60 00
School supplies.....	50 00
Care of schoolroom.....	30 00
Orizaba, Miss Van Dorsten ..	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Moving expense.....	50 00
Tetela, Rent.....	144 00
Teacher.....	300 00
Scholarship.....	75 00

School supplies.....	100 00
La Canada, Teacher.....	300 00
Supplies.....	50 00
Total	\$7,125 00

South America.

Buenos Aires, Scholarships....	\$200 00
Rent, school No. 2.....	400 00
Repairs and taxes.....	100 00
Rosario, Teacher, Miss Porter.	400 00
Scholarships.....	525 00
Matron.....	300 00
Furniture.....	100 00
Montevideo, Miss Hewitt.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Assistants.....	450 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
School supplies.....	100 00
Interest.....	200 00
Total.....	\$3,725 00

Italy.

Rome, Miss Hall.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Miss Vickey.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Traveling expenses.....	300 00
Scholarships.....	450 00
Day teachers.....	340 00
Rent.....	600 00
Furniture.....	250 00
Desks.....	300 00
Teacher and assistants.....	250 00
Contingent expenses.....	250 00
Building fund.....	3,000 00
New missionary.....	500 00
Total.....	\$7,740 00

Bulgaria.

Loftcha, Miss Blackburn's salary.....	\$600 00
Miss Diem's salary.....	400 00
Second assistant.....	190 00
Primary teacher.....	140 00
Scholarships.....	280 00
Incidentals.....	250 00
Books and apparatus.....	100 00
Repairs.....	100 00
Bible work.....	200 00
Furniture.....	100 00
Miss Fincham's home salary.....	113 00
Miss Schenck's home salary.....	300 00
Traveling expenses (conditional).....	175 00
Repairs.....	200 00
Total.....	\$3,148 00

Germany.

Zwickau, Bible work.....	\$150 00
Total.....	\$150 00

Switzerland.

Zurich, Bible work.....	\$150 00
Herisan, Bible work.....	50 00
Lausanne, Bible work.....	150 00
Total.....	\$350 00

Summary.

India.....	\$21,392 00
China.....	15,550 00
Korea.....	630 00
Japan.....	8,878 00
Mexico.....	7,125 00
South America.....	3,725 00
Italy.....	7,740 00
Bulgaria.....	3,148 00
Germany.....	150 00
Switzerland.....	350 00
Contingent.....	1,312 00
Grand total.....	\$70,000 00

DES MOINES BRANCH.

North India.

Pauri, Orphans.....	\$272 00
Medicines.....	67 00
Famine relief.....	30 00
Pithoragarh, Orphans and widows.....	448 00
Moradabad, Teachers.....	120 00
Girls.....	80 00
Miss Day.....	650 00
Miss Fredich.....	160 00
Repairs.....	34 00
Miss Kemper.....	650 00
Bijnour, Girls' boarding school	30 00
Budaon, Boarding school.....	300 00
Medicines.....	17 00
Repairs.....	67 00
Bareilly, Boarding school.....	200 00
Miss Lawson's home salary.....	325 00
Shahjahanpore, Bidwell school	2,500 00
Lucknow, Mrs. J. C. Hunt.....	30 00
Miss Singh, A. B.....	300 00
Gonda, Bible woman.....	190 00
Conveyance.....	64 00
Total.....	\$6,804 00

Northwest India.

Cawnpore, Miss Lanch.....	\$325 00
Eurasian orphans.....	108 00
Kasganj District.	
Soron, Patygal, Sikandra Rao, Atrauli, Aliganj, Etah, Mustafabad, Sakit, Qamganj, Gangari, Jaloshwar, Firozabad.....	800 00
Total.....	\$1,233 08

Bombay.

Bombay, Miss Kennedy.....	\$650 00
Scholarships.....	200 00
Native teachers.....	142 00
Agent's fees.....	50 00
Jubbulpur, Scholarships.....	540 00

Bible women.....	\$100 00
Conveyance.....	80 00
Teachers.....	80 00
<i>Kiuhanda</i> , Scholarships.....	200 00
Matron.....	40 00
Furniture.....	33 00
Training school.....	96 00
Rent.....	33 00
Assistant.....	180 00

Total \$2,424 00

Bengal.

<i>Pakur</i> , Orphans.....	\$200 00
<i>Rangoon</i> , Miss Perkins.....	325 00
Scholarships.....	280 00

Total..... \$805 00

North China.

<i>Peking</i> , Scholarships.....	\$540 00
Han Sun school.....	300 00
<i>Tientsin</i> , Miss Wilson.....	750 00
Training school.....	425 00
Wang Nai Nai.....	50 00

Total..... \$2,065 00

Central China.

<i>Kiukiang</i> , Miss Ogborn.....	\$600 00
Incidentals to work.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	149 00
Mary Stone.....	375 00
Cook.....	37 00
Matron.....	37 00
Bungalow keeper.....	24 00
Doctor and medicines.....	50 00
Books and stationery.....	50 00

Total..... \$1,463 00

Foochow.

<i>Foochow</i> , Miss Wilkinson.....	\$425 00
Scholarships.....	400 00
Orphans.....	60 00
<i>Hok Chiang</i> , Twelvedayschools.....	700 00
Bible women.....	96 00
Woman's school.....	750 00
Miss Trimble.....	650 00
Incidentals to work.....	150 00
Girls' boarding school (con- ditional).....	2,000 00

Total..... \$5,231 00

Japan.

<i>Hokodate</i> , Scholarships.....	\$280 00
Scholarship teacher.....	40 00
Japanese literature.....	192 00
<i>Sendai</i> , Miss Phelps.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Rent.....	76 00
Traveling.....	120 00
School rent.....	120 00
Primary teacher.....	120 00
Embroidery teacher.....	120 00
<i>Tokyo</i> , Scholarships.....	120 00
Penmanship teacher.....	76 00
Sewing teacher.....	48 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Scholarships.....	240 00

Teacher of mathematics.....	\$240 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Miss Griffith's salary.....	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Training school, scholarships.....	160 00
Painting.....	100 00
<i>Nagasaki</i>	456 00

Total..... \$3,768 00

Bulgaria.

Third assistant, Miss Koonoon.....	\$190 00
Scholarships.....	160 00

Total..... \$350 00

Italy.

Scholarships.....	\$250 00
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Korea.

Scholarships.....	\$ 96 00
In-Patients' Hospital.....	175 00
Repairs.....	75 00
Insurance.....	50 00

Total..... \$396 00

Mexico.

Scholarships.....	\$280 00
Primary teacher.....	250 00
Lights.....	120 00
<i>Ayapango</i> , Teacher.....	288 00
Rent.....	25 00
School furniture.....	50 00
<i>Tezontepc</i> , Native teacher.....	288 00
<i>Puebla</i> , Scholarships.....	280 00

Total..... \$1,581 00

South America.

<i>Montevideo</i> , Bible woman.....	\$100 00
Scholarship.....	100 00
<i>Rosario</i> , Miss Gillespie.....	250 00

\$450 00

Summary.

North India.....	\$6,804 00
Northwest India.....	1,233 00
South India.....	1,538 00
Bombay.....	2,424 00
Bengal.....	805 00
North China.....	2,065 00
Central China.....	1,463 00
Foochow.....	5,231 00
Japan.....	3,768 00
Bulgaria.....	350 00
Italy.....	250 00
Korea.....	396 00
Mexico.....	1,581 00
South America.....	450 00
Contingent.....	1,642 00

Grand total..... \$30,000 00

MINNEAPOLIS BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pauri</i> , Twelve orphans.....	\$192 00
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Five scholarships.....	220 00
School matron.....	28 00

Five teachers	\$125 00
<i>Bavilly</i> , Six orphans	60 00
<i>Budaon</i> , Scholarships	180 00
Medical student	47 00
Itinerating	34 00
<i>Gonda</i> , Scholarships	150 00

Total

Northwest India.

<i>Multra</i> , Miss Eva Browne	\$200 00
Five scholarships	50 00
Conveyance	66 00
<i>Ajmere</i> , Ten scholarships	100 00
<i>Mazaffarnagar</i> , Bible readers	30 00
Teacher	30 00
<i>Mussoorie</i> , Bible readers and teachers	67 00
<i>Rajpur</i> , Bible readers and schools	33 00
<i>Rurki</i> , Four Bible women	100 00
Mrs. Leonard's work	67 00
<i>Lahore</i> , Bible readers and school	33 00
Itinerating for <i>Mussoorie</i> District	40 00

Total

Bombay Conference.

<i>Bombay</i> , Three day schools	\$180 00
Conveyance	160 00
Miss Seitz's salary	240 00
Matron	100 00
Fourteen scholarships	280 00
Building fund	706 00
Transfer of property	50 00
Village work:—	
Miss M. F. Abram's salary	650 00
Miss M. F. Abram's passage	350 00
Itinerating	120 00
<i>Hurda</i> , Bible women	50 00

Total

South India.

<i>Kolar</i> , Two Bible women	\$50 00
Scholarships	65 00

Total

Bengal.

<i>Rangoon</i> , Scholarships	\$128 60
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Malaysia.

Mrs. Lewis's salary	\$210 00
Mrs. Lewis's allowance, extra	65 00
Miss Blackmore's support	325 00
Miss Blackmore's passage	150 00
Furniture for home	100 00
Six Scholarships	150 00
<i>Penang</i>	300 00

Total

Japan.

<i>Tokyo</i> , Industrial school	
Miss Blackstock's salary	\$600 00

Incidentals	\$150 00
Matron	68 00
Teacher of Japanese	58 00
Teacher of translation	50 00
Teacher of Japanese writing	30 00
Supplies and furnishings	80 00
Insurance on buildings	100 00
Ten scholarships	400 00
Seats for chapel	90 00
Fencing and grading lot	24 00
Pupil teacher, sewing	40 00
Pupil teacher, embroidery	40 00
<i>Aoyama</i> , Scholarships	40 00
<i>Hakodate</i> , Four scholarships	160 00
Bible worker for Yoichi	29 00
Bible worker's supplies	11 00

Total

China.

<i>Foochow</i> , Ten scholarships	\$200 00
<i>Hok Chiang</i> , Miss Willma Rouse	1,000 00

Total

Mexico.

<i>Mexico City</i> , Scholarship	\$70 00
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Bulgaria.

<i>Loftcha</i> , Four scholarships	\$160 00
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Summary.

North India	\$1,036 00
Northwest India	816 00
South India	115 00
Bombay	2,886 00
Bengal	128 00
Malaysia	1,300 00
Japan	1,940 00
China	1,200 00
Mexico	70 00
Bulgaria	160 00

Grand total

TOPEKA BRANCH.

North India.

<i>Pauri</i> , Boarding school	\$ 200 00
Famine relief	30 00
Lansdowne, Bible women	50 00
<i>Pithovagarh</i> , Boarding school	90 00
<i>Bijnour</i> , Boarding school	50 00
<i>Moradabad</i> , Agra medical student	45 00
<i>Budaon</i> , Boarding school	200 00
<i>Bareilly</i> , Orphanage	150 00
<i>Sectapore</i> , Miss Fuller	650 00
Itinerating	25 00
Scholarships	90 00

Total

Northwest India.

<i>Multra</i> , City schools	\$ 150 00
<i>Ajmere</i> , Avery boarding school	1,000 00
<i>Meerut</i> , Howard Plected boarding school	800 00

School building.....	2,500 00
Kasganj, Bible readers and teachers.....	260 00
Total	\$4,710 00

South India.

Haidarabad, Miss Blackmar... \$	650 00
Purchase and keeping horse.....	100 00
Building fund.....	3,000 00
Kolar, Orphans.....	80 00
Total.....	\$3,830 00

Bombay.

Thana, Bible women.....	\$280 00
Scholarship.....	20 00
Total.....	\$300 00

Bengal.

Pakur, Orphans.....	\$100 00
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North China.

Peking, Boarding school..... \$	250 00
Tientsin, Dr. Stevenson, salary.....	600 00
Interpreter.....	100 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Hospital current expenses.....	200 00
Drugs and instruments.....	150 00
Tsun Hua, Boarding school.....	210 00
Teacher.....	40 00
Total	\$1,700 00

Foochow.

Foochow, Boarding school... \$	100 00
Hing Hua, Hamilton boarding school.....	750 00
Bible woman.....	25 00
Ku Cheng, Boarding school.....	600 00
Total.....	\$1,475 00

Central China.

Chinkiang, Boarding school...;	\$120 00
Kiukiang, Boarding school....	180 00
Total	\$300 00

Japan.

Tokyo, Miss Watson, salary... \$	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Aoyama, Scholarships.....	80 00
Yokohama, Bible women.....	120 00
Yonezawa, Miss Imhof, salary.....	60 00
Incidentals.....	120 00
Papers, tracts and books.....	20 00
Hakodate, Scholarships.....	200 00
Total	\$1,920 00

Mexico.

Ayapango, Assistant.....	\$160 00
Bible woman and supplies.....	100 00
Puebla, Scholarships.....	140 00
Total.....	\$400 00

South America.

Rosario, Miss Swaney, salary . \$	600 00
Incidentals.....	150 00
Scholarships.....	300 00
Teachers: Miss Molina.....	160 00
Miss Saint Giron.....	140 00
Miss Guevara.....	150 00
School furniture.....	20 00
Repairs and taxes.....	250 00
Cook.....	120 00
Total	\$2,070 00

Summary.

North India.....	\$ 4,580 00
Northwest India.....	4,710 00
South India.....	3,830 00
Bombay.....	300 00
Bengal.....	100 00
North China.....	1,700 00
Foochow.....	1,475 00
Central China.....	300 00
Japan.....	1,920 00
Mexico.....	400 00
South America.....	2,070 00
Total.....	\$18,385 00
Contingent.....	615 00
Grand total	\$19,000 00

PACIFIC BRANCH.

North India,

Miss Lilian Marks.....	\$1,000 00
Bhabar, Bible readers.....	72 00
Matron.....	49 00
Pauri, Scholarships.....	200 00
Pithoragarh, Scholarships.....	175 00
Budaon, Scholarships.....	150 00
Bareilly, Orphans.....	50 00
Gonda, Scholarships.....	130 00
Building school home.....	100 00
Inspectress of schools at Lucknow.....	48 00
Scholarships.....	140 00
Total.....	\$2,105 00

Northwest India.

<i>Ajnere District.</i>	
Ajnere, City and mohalla work.....	\$76 00
Mrs. D. Sonza itinerating.....	50 00
Conveyance.....	50 00
Simagar, Bible reader.....	24 00
Pashkar, Bible reader.....	32 00
Kishanagarh, Bible reader.....	32 00
Nawa, Bible reader.....	24 00
Dudu, Bible reader.....	24 00
Sali, Bible reader.....	24 00
Narana, Bible reader.....	16 00
Rupnagar, Bible reader.....	20 00
Pisangan, Village teachers.....	36 00
Bible readers and teachers.....	64 00
Mrs. Lyons itinerating.....	50 00
Cawnpore, Boarding school.....	70 00
Total.....	\$592 00

<i>Bombay.</i>	
<i>Kampli</i> , School work.....	\$300 00
Mrs. John's salary.....	220 00
Bible woman and training-school teacher.....	80 00
Pandit.....	60 00
Conveyance.....	80 00
Total.....	\$740 00

<i>South India.</i>	
<i>Madras</i> , Orphans.....	\$100 00
<i>Bengalon</i> , Bible woman.....	32 00
Total.....	\$132 00

<i>Bengal.</i>	
<i>Calcutta</i> , Boarding school.....	\$ 84 00
<i>Pakur</i> , Orphanage.....	275 00
<i>Rangoon</i> , Scholars.....	300 00
Orphans.....	90 00
Burmese school.....	50 00
Total.....	\$799 00

<i>North China.</i>	
<i>Tsun Hua</i> , Boarding school....	\$30 00
<i>Peking</i> , Boarding school.....	60 00
<i>Hing Hua</i> , Boarding school....	90 00
Total.....	\$180 00

<i>Korea.</i>	
<i>Seoul</i>	\$96 00

<i>Japan.</i>	
<i>Nagasaki</i> , Two girls.....	\$80 00
<i>Nagoya</i> , Bible woman.....	60 00
Tracts and papers.....	20 00
Total.....	\$160 00

<i>Summary.</i>	
Interest on Montevideo debt	\$ 50 00
North India.....	2,105 00
Northwest India.....	592 00
Bombay.....	740 00
South India.....	132 00
Bengal.....	799 00
North China.....	180 00
Korea.....	96 00
Japan.....	160 00
Total.....	\$4,854 00
Contingent.....	246 00
Grand total.....	\$5,100 00

COLUMBIA RIVER BRANCH.

<i>North India.</i>	
<i>Pithoragarh</i> , Scholarships....	\$ 80 00
<i>Budoon</i> , Scholarships.....	30 00
<i>Barilly</i> , First assistant.....	240 00
Scholarships.....	30 00
Mrs. Butcher's itinerating and mmshi.....	50 00

<i>Lucknow</i> , First assistant, Mrs. Ward.....	160 00
Total.....	\$590 00

<i>Bombay.</i>	
<i>Bombay</i> , Girls' school, two native teachers.....	\$142 00
Scholarships.....	100 00
<i>Thana</i> , Bible woman.....	20 00
Two women in training school	40 00
Total.....	\$302 00

<i>Bengal.</i>	
<i>Calcutta</i> , Scholarship.....	\$ 84 00
<i>Pakur</i> , Building for boarding school (conditional).....	5,000 00
Scholarships.....	600 00
<i>Rangoon</i> , Orphans.....	78 00
Total, Bengal Conference Conditional.....	\$762 00 \$5,000 00

<i>Malaysia.</i>	
<i>Singapore</i> , Miss Ferris's support.....	\$325 00
Miss Foster's support.....	325 00
Rent for the home.....	315 00
Teacher in vernacular for missionaries.....	134 00
Iron safe.....	35 00
Repairs on school building..	182 00
Three scholarships.....	75 00
Conveyance.....	280 00
Miss Foster's outfit and passage.....	450 00
<i>Penang</i>	200 00
Total.....	\$2,321 00

<i>China.</i>	
<i>Foochow</i> , Scholarships.....	\$40 00
Total.....	\$40 00

<i>Japan.</i>	
<i>Hakodate</i> , Scholarships.....	\$ 80 00
<i>Tokyo</i> , Industrial school scholarships.....	160 00
<i>Yokohama</i> , Scholarships.....	80 00
Total.....	\$320 00

<i>Summary.</i>	
North India.....	\$ 590 00
Bombay.....	302 00
Bengal (\$5,000 conditional)...	762 00
Malaysia.....	2,321 00
China.....	40 00
Japan.....	320 00
Total.....	\$4,335 00
Conditional.....	5,000 00
Grand total.....	\$9,335 00

Summary of Appropriations.

BY BRANCHES.

New England Branch.....	\$ 32,000 00
New York ".....	50,000 00
Philadelphia ".....	30,000 00
Baltimore ".....	14,275 00
Cincinnati ".....	43,252 00
Northwestern ".....	70,000 00
Des Moines ".....	30,000 00
Minneapolis ".....	9,651 00
Topeka ".....	19,000 00
Pacific ".....	5,000 00
Columbia River ".....	9,335 00
Total	\$312,613 00

BY COUNTRIES.

North India.....	\$ 49,753 00
Northwest India.....	18,843 00
South India.....	14,078 00
Bombay.....	19,162 00
Bengal.....	10,581 00
Total for India.....	\$112,417 00
North China.....	\$ 18,870 00
Central China.....	14,741 00
West China.....	200 00
Foochow.....	28,196 00
Malaysia.....	4,800 00
Total for China and Malaysia.....	\$66,807 00
Japan.....	\$ 50,796 00
Korea.....	9,393 00
Bulgaria.....	4,488 00
Italy.....	10,174 90
Mexico.....	25,666 00
South America.....	18,170 00
Switzerland.....	350 00
Germany.....	150 00
Total.....	\$298,411 00
Provisional.....	14,202 00
Grand Total.....	\$312,613 00

Receipts of Society Since Organization.

From March, 1869, to April	1870.....	\$	4,546	86
" April 1, 1870, to "	1871.....		22,397	09
" " 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,	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,	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	96
" " 1890, to "	1891.....		263,660	69
" " 1891, to "	1892.....		265,342	15
" " 1892, to "	1893.....		277,393	79

Total since organization..... \$3,139,757 31

Report of Agent Heathen Woman's Friend.

*Pauline J. Walden in Account with Heathen Woman's Friend from
October 1, 1892, to October 1, 1893.*

To Cash on hand.....		\$1,944.14
" Received from Subscriptions to H. W. F.	\$10,556.00	
" " " " H. C. F.	1,460.13	
" " " " H. F. F.	662.41	
		<hr/> \$12,678.54
" " " Literature		1,117.61
" " " Maps		141.48
" " " Advertising in H. W. F.		294.66
" " " German mustard seed	12.90	
" " " Binders, carpet, etc.	13.25	
" " " Waste paper	1.28	
" " " Int. on loans and deposits	596.81	
" " " Investment	500.00	1,124.24
		<hr/> \$17,300.67
By cash paid for Printing H. W. Friend	\$5,586.53	
" " " Adv. pages, special	350.00	
" " " Postage and mailing H. W. F.	1,255.43	
" " " Engravings in H. W. Friend	88.09	
" " " Editor's salary and incidentals	721.06	
" " " Agent's salary	700.00	
" " " Office expenses	761.18	
" " " Insurance	33.00	
" " " Incidentals	61.89	
		<hr/> \$9,557.18
" " " Printing H. C. Friend	1,283.28	
" " " Postage and mailing H. C. F.	323.94	
" " " Binding H. C. Friend	6.00	
" " " Engravings, H. C. F.	25.79	
" " " Editor's salary and incidentals	260.51	
		<hr/> \$1,899.52
" " " Printing Heiden Frauen Freund.	623.05	
" " " Postage and mailing H. F. F.	100.11	
" " " Editor's salary and incidentals	253.80	
		<hr/> \$ 976.96
" " " Literature expenses		2,744.21
<i>Advanced by Order of General Executive Committee as follows :</i>		
By Expenses of Ed. H. W. F. to Springfield, Mass.	5.40	
" " " Agent H. W. F. to Evanston and Springfield,	47.20	
" " " Ed. of Leaflets to Springfield	21.00	
" " " Life Membership certificates	60.93	
" " " " " for children	257.30	
" " " Maps	489.23	
" " " Zenana Paper	500.00	
		<hr/> \$1,381.06
" Investments		300.00
" Cash on hand		441.74
		<hr/> \$17,300.67

Examined and found correct, October 2, 1893.

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Agent.*

A. S. WEED, *Auditor.*

Report of Literature Committee.

The Literature Committee held meetings in connection with the session of the General Executive Committee in Springfield, Mass., in November, 1892, and planned out the work for the year. The work of the Committee is summed up briefly. The uniform studies were arranged covering a variety of subjects as follows :

January—Review of Work for 1892; *February*—Biographical Sketches of Misses Everding, Layton, and Pardoe; *March*—Spiritual Development of Work in Mission Fields; *April*—Easter Service; *May*—Mission Work on the Congo; *June*—Epworth Leagues and what they are doing in Foreign Lands; *July*—Peru; *August*—Mission Work in the New Hebrides Islands; *September*—Proportionate Giving; *October*—The Columbian Exposition and Missions; *November*—Idols and Temples of Japan; *December*—Christmas Service.

In connection therewith the following leaflets were issued, "Light at Eventide;" "Sketches of our deceased Missionaries;" "My Refuge, a poem written by a Brahmin Woman;" "Easter Service;" "They would sing if they only knew him;" "What one League did for Missions;" "An account of our work in Peru;" "Woman in the new Hebrides Islands;" "What Mary Lyon said about giving, etc.;" "The Columbian Exposition and Missions or Mohammedanism at the World's Fair;" "Some facts about Japanese temples;" "Christmas box in a Chinese home."

There are twenty-five thousand copies of the supplement issued containing the uniform study and leaflet. This makes an issue of three hundred thousand for the year, or six hundred thousand pages of gratuitous reading matter furnished to the members of the Society in this one department.

General Annual Report.—An edition of 6,250 copies of the Annual Report was printed, making in the aggregate 1,125,000 pages. It was the largest report ever issued by the Society. A new outline map of Japan, Korea, China and India, was completed and ready for sale early in the year at the low price of \$1.75. A certificate of Life Membership for children was also issued.

Calendar.—A calendar for 1894 was prepared by the chairman and submitted to the committee. This calendar is historic, containing a record of the leading facts in the Society's history.

Leaflets.—The following is a list of the new leaflets issued during the year, of which there were twenty-one: "Facts and figures;" "Our

South American work ;" "How Chinese children worship ;" "The little girl's Missionary box ;" "The sermon of the orange trees ;" "The Christian experiences of Joel Bulu of Fiji ;" "The little India girl and her Christian song ;" "Old Betsey's mission gift ;" "Hid with Christ ;" "Fulfilling vows ;" "Three fowls and a goat ;" "My refuge ;" "Calendar for '93 ;" "What one girl can do ;" "Annual Report ;" "Christmas in India ;" "Mae's five o'clock tea ;" "Died as a Christian, burned as a Hindu ;" "Business methods in the Lord's work ;" "Reports and how to make them ;" "A zenana party."

The only leaflet printed in German during the year was the Annual Report, of which an edition of four thousand was issued.

The whole number of new leaflets amounted to two hundred and forty-eight thousand, or nine hundred and ninety-six thousand pages. Of this number one hundred and ninety-six thousand issues of four and two pages, or five hundred and fifty-six thousand pages were for gratuitous distribution.

The following is a list of old leaflets reprinted during the year ; "Story of a Chinese woman ;" "In partnership with the King ;" "If they only knew ;" "Seven reasons for belonging to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society ;" "Work of mission bands ;" "Duties of auxiliary officers ;" "Korea ;" "Women of Korea ;" "We are debtors ;" "Missionary pin money ;" "Medical missionaries ;" "Jack and the Japs ;" "If I had only known before ;" "Little missionary of Korea ;" "Never had a moment's rest."

Of these there were fifteen issues of seventy-two thousand leaflets or two hundred and ninety-eight thousand pages. This is a total of three hundred and twenty thousand leaflets, or one million two hundred and ninety-four thousand pages. If we include the leaflet supplement, and Annual Report, we have the sum total of over three million pages of missionary literature furnished by this Committee during the year.

The Committee has been greatly afflicted in the death of Mrs. W. F. Warren. She had been a member since its organization and her presence and help seemed indispensable. At a meeting of the Committee the following minute was placed on record. "The Literature Committee of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is deeply bereaved in the death of Mrs. W. F. Warren. Having been associated with its work from the beginning, her superior judgment and literary taste were invaluable. We miss her sadly as adviser, co-worker and friend, and can only say with chastened hearts, 'The blessed will of the Lord be done.'"

At a meeting of the Reference Committee held in Evanston, Ill., in May, Mrs. O. W. Scott, editor of *Heathen Children's Friend*, was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mrs. Warren.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

FROM OCT. 1, 1892, TO OCT. 1, 1893.

Amount Appropriated for Literature.....	\$2,500.00	
To Cash Received from sale of Literature.....	1,117.61	
		\$ 3,617.61
By Cash paid for Helps and Books.....	\$214.73	
“ “ Leaflets from other Boards.....	108.42	
“ “ Printing 8-pp. Leaflets (reprint)..	51.08	
“ “ “ 4-pp. and 2-pp. Leaflets (reprint).....	53.40	
“ “ “ Leaflet Report, 8 pp.....	45.00	
“ “ “ Supplements.....	508.60	
“ “ “ German Leaflets.....	10.01	
“ “ “ Annual Reports.....	562.43	
“ “ “ 8-pp. Leaflets.....	88.00	
“ “ “ 2-pp. and 4-pp. Leaflets	185.75	
“ “ Editor's Salary and Incidentals..	447.16	
“ “ Express and Postage.....	176.45	
“ “ Office Help.....	251.09	
“ “ Expense of Committee.....	42.09	
		\$ 2,744.21
Balance.....		873.40
Value of Literature on hand.....		406.00

PAULINE J. WALDEN, *Treasurer.*

*Report of Treasurer of Zenana Paper Fund from Oct. 1st, 1892,
to Oct. 1st, 1893.*

Balance Oct. 1st, 1892.....	\$.56
New England Branch, interest on investments.....	444.54
Baltimore.....	70.00
Des Moines.....	42.00
Topeka.....	38.50
Northwestern.....	94.00
New York.....	7.60
Minneapolis.....	82.50
Philadelphia, New York, Northwestern and Cincinnati Branches, united investments.....	707.23
For Marathi edition.....	250.00
	\$1,736.93
From Mrs. Alderman, on deficit.....	500.00
Total.....	\$2,236.39

SENT TO INDIA.

April 1st, 1893.....	\$ 776.00
October 1st, 1893.....	710.00
For Marathi edition.....	250.00
On deficit.....	500.00
	\$2,236.00

H. B. SKIDMORE, *Treasurer.*

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

Includes eleven associated Branches. Their territorial limits and respective Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurers are as follows:

- I. New England States.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. P. Alderman, 32 Everett St., Hyde Park, Mass.; Treasurer, Miss Mary E. Holt, 4 Berwick Park, Boston, Mass.
- II. New York and New Jersey.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Harriet B. Skidmore, 230 W. 59th St., New York City; Treasurers, Mrs. J. M. Cornell and Mrs. H. J. Heydecker, 141 Centre St., New York.
- III. Pennsylvania and Delaware.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. L. Keen, 1209 Arch St., Philadelphia; Treasurer, Mrs. C. D. Foss, 2043 Arch St., Philadelphia.
- IV. Maryland, District of Columbia and Eastern Virginia.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. E. B. Stevens, 117 E. 24th St., Baltimore, Md.; Treasurer, Mrs. E. R. Uhler, 661 W. Fayette St., Baltimore,
- V. Ohio, Western Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee.
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- XI. Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. C. Wire, Mt. Tabor, Oregon; Treasurer, Miss Lizzie Y. Wead, Tacoma, Wash.

Information respecting the Society may be obtained on application to any of the above-named Secretaries.

Committee of Reference.

The Corresponding Secretaries of the several Branches, constitute a Committee of Reference, of which Mrs. H. B. Skidmore, No. 230 West 59th St., New York, is *Chairman*, and Mrs. B. R. Cowen, 7 Crescent Place, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, is *Secretary*.

All communications to be brought before the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the interim of the General Executive Committee should be addressed to the Chairman of this Committee.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENTS.

South America and North China: Mrs. Alderman.
Moradabad and Bareilly Districts, India, Central China and Korea: Mrs. Skidmore.

Mexico and Central Japan: Mrs. Keen.

Foochow and South India: Mrs. Stevens.

Oudh District, India and Southern Japan: Mrs. Cowen.

Italy, Bulgaria and Kumaon District, India: Mrs. Crandon.

Bombay Conference: Mrs. Huston.

Malaysia: Mrs. Winchell.

Northwest India: Miss Watson.

Bengal Conference: Mrs. E. M. Crow.

Northern Japan: Mrs. M. C. Wire.

Germany and Switzerland: Miss M. Dreyer.

TREASURERS IN FOREIGN FIELDS.

North and Northwest India: Mrs. E. W. Parker, Lucknow, India.

Bombay and South India: Miss Mary E. Carroll, 45 Mazagon Road Bombay, India.

Bengal Conference: Miss Elizabeth Maxey, 64 Dharamtala Street, Calcutta, India.

Singapore: Miss Emma E. Ferris, Singapore Straits Settlements.

North China: Miss Annie B. Sears, Peking, China.

Central China: Miss Mary C. Robinson, Chinkingang, China.

Foochow: Mrs. Alice Smythe, Foochow, China.

Korea: Mrs. Mary F. Scranton, Seoul, Korea.

North Japan: Miss M. S. Hampton, Hakodate, Japan.

Central Japan: Miss M. A. Spencer, 13 Tsukiji, Tokyo, Japan.

Southern Japan: Miss Anna S. French, Nagasaki, Japan.

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Buenos Aires and Rosario: Mrs. Ada M. C. Drees, 718 Calle de Corrientes, Buenos Ayres, Argentine Republic, S. A.

Montevideo: Miss Lizzie Hewitt, 257 Calle San Jose, Montevideo, S. A.

Mexico: Rev. J. W. Butler, D.D., Apartado, 291, Mexico City, Mexico.

Swiss Conference: Mrs. Anna Spoerri, 21 Waesergasse, St. Gallen, Switzerland.

North German Conference: Mrs. Wunderlich, Schwarzenberg, Saxony, Germany.

Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1860.....	*Miss Clara A. Swain, M. D.	Khetri Rajputana, India.	.....	Castile, N. Y.
1869.....	" Isabella Thoburn.....	Lucknow, India.	Cincinnati	Delaware, O.
1870.....	" Fannie J. Sparkes.....	Home on Leave.....	New York	Binghamton, N. Y.
1872.....	" Gertrude Howe.....	Home.....	Northwestern	Lansing, Mich.
1872.....	" Lucy A. Hoag, M. D.....	Chin Kiang, China.	New York	Ann Arbor, Mich.
1874.....	" Louise E. Blackmar.....	Haidarabad, India.	Topeka	W. Springfield, Pa.
1874.....	" Mary Hastings.....	Pachuca, Mexico.	New York	Chelsea, Mass.
1874.....	" Jennie M. Chapin.....	Home on Leave.....	New England	Chicopee, Mass.
1874.....	" Lou B. Denning.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern	Normal, Ill.
1878.....	" S. A. Easton.....	Naini Tal, India.	Cincinnati	Washington, D. C.
1878.....	" Matilda A. Spencer.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Philadelphia	Germantown, Pa.
1878.....	" Clara M. Cushman.....	Home on Leave.....	New England	Walnut Hill, Mass.
1879.....	" Elizabeth Russell.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Cincinnati	Keays, W. Va.
1879.....	" Jennie M. Gheer.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	New York	Bellewood, Pa.
1880.....	" Anna B. Sears.....	Peking, China.....	Cincinnati	Bucyrus, O.
1880.....	" Annie Budden.....	Pithoragarh, India.....	New York	Almorah, India.
1881.....	" Minnie S. Hampton.....	Hakodate, Japan.....	New York	New York, N. Y.
1881.....	Mrs. Carrie Van Petten.....	Nagoya, Japan.....	Northwestern	Newponset, Ill.
1881.....	Miss Emma S. Knowles.....	Calcutta, India.....	New England	Newark, N. J.
1881.....	" Phœbe Rowe.....	Muttra, India.....	Northwestern	India.

*Miss Swain, the first medical missionary sent out by the society, served efficiently for fifteen years, and is now engaged in work as physician to the palace of the Rajah of Khetri.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY—(Continued.)

APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1882.....	Miss Anna P. Atkinson.....	Home on Leave.....	New York.....	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1883.....	Mrs. Charlotte M. Jewell.....	Peking, China.....	New York.....	California.
1883.....	Miss Rebecca J. Watson.....	Tokyo, Japan.....	Topeka.....	Nebraska.
1884.....	" Ella J. Hewett.....	Home on Leave.....	Philadelphia.....	Gilead, Mich.
1884.....	" Emily L. Harvey.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	South Barton, Vt.
1884.....	" Mary Christiancy, M. D.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Washington, D. C.
1884.....	" Fannie M. English.....	Barcelly, India.....	New York.....	Seneca Falls, N. Y.
1884.....	" Clara A. Downey.....	Bijnour, India.....	New York.....	Rome, N. Y.
1884.....	" Margaret C. Hedrick.....	Home on Leave.....	New York.....	S. Charleston, O.
1884.....	" Sarah DeLine.....	Bombay, India.....	Northwestern.....	Elwood, Ill.
1884.....	" Mary Reed.....	Pithoragarh, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Becketts, O.
1884.....	" Mary C. Robinson.....	Chin Kiang, China.....	Northwestern.....	Michigan.
1884.....	" Carrie I. Jewell.....	Foochow, China.....	New York.....	Harmar, O.
1884.....	" Eleanor LeHuray.....	Buenos Aires, S. A.....	Philadelphia.....	Summit, N. J.
1884.....	" Mary De F. Loyd.....	Mexico City, Mexico.....	Northwestern.....	Hillsboro, O.
1884.....	" Linna A. Schenck.....	Home on Leave.....	Cincinnati.....	Muskegon, Mich.
1885.....	Mrs. M. F. Scranton.....	Seoul, Korea.....	N. E. & N. Y.....	Cleveland, O.
1885.....	Miss Anna D. Gloss, M. D.....	Peking, China.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
1885.....	" Theresa J. Kyle.....	Bareilly, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
1885.....	" Emma M. Hall.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1885.....	" Lida B. Smith.....	Home on Leave.....	New York.....	Syracuse, N. Y.
1885.....	" Julia Wisner.....	Rangoon, Burmah.....	Cincinnati.....	Berea, O.
1886.....	" Lizzie Hewett.....	Montevideo, S. America.....	Northwestern.....	Gilead, Mich.
1886.....	" Anna Lawson.....	Home on Leave.....	Des Moines.....	Ottumwa, Ill.
1886.....	" Della A. Fuller.....	Sitapore, India.....	Topeka.....	Boulder, Col.
1886.....	" Kate McDowell, M. D.....	Home on Leave.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1886.....	Miss Nellie R. Green.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	England.

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APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1886	Miss Hattie L. Ayres.....	Mexico City, Mexico.....	Cincinnati.....	Hillsboro, O.
1887	" Edna G. Terry, M. D.....	Tsun Hua, China.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1887	" Ella C. Shaw.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	Moore's Hill, Ind.
1887	" Minnie F. Abrams.....	Bombay, India.....	Minneapolis.....	Mapleton, Minn.
1887	" Mabel C. Hartford.....	Foochow, China.....	New England.....	Dover, N. H.
1887	" Sophia Blackmore.....	Singapore Straits Settlement.....	Minneapolis.....	Australia.
1887	" May E. Carleton, M. D.....	Foochow, China.....	New York.....	Port Chester, N. Y.
1887	" Louise C. Rothweiler.....	Home " ".....	Cincinnati.....	Berea, O.
1887	" Ella B. Fincham.....	Home " ".....	Northwestern.....	Petosky, Mich.
1887	" Annie Gallimore.....	Home " ".....	Baltimore.....	Newport, Ky.
1888	" Mary Atkinson.....	Yonezawa, Japan.....	New York.....	Cazenovia, N. Y.
1888	" Belle J. Allen.....	Toyko, Japan.....	Cincinnati.....	Bellefontaine, O.
1888	" Anna L. Bing.....	Home on Leave.....	" " ".....	Delaware, O.
1888	" Julia Bonafield.....	Foochow, China.....	" " ".....	Tunnelton, W. Va.
1888	" Kate A. Blair.....	Calcutta, India.....	" " ".....	Toledo, O.
1888	" Mary E. Bowen.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Warren, R. I.
1888	" Mary E. Carroll.....	Bombay, India.....	Northwestern.....	Joliet, Ill.
1888	" Mary A. Danforth.....	Home on Leave.....	New England.....	Colebrook, N. H.
1888	" Augusta Dickerson.....	Hakodate, Japan.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
1888	" Martha A. Day.....	Moradabad, India.....	Des Moines.....	Mt. Pleasant, Ia.
1888	" I. Ernsberger, M. D.....	Home on Leave.....	Cincinnati.....	Delphus, O.
1888	" Estella M. Files.....	Home " ".....	New York.....	Brockport, N. Y.
1888	" Lillian G. Hale.....	Tsun Hua, China.....	New England.....	W. Newberry, Mass.
1888	" Minnie J. Hyde.....	Home on Leave.....	Northwestern.....	Quincy, Mich.
1888	" Mary Kétring.....	Home " ".....	Cincinnati.....	Napoleon, O.
1888	" Elizabeth Maxey.....	Calcutta, India.....	New York.....	London, O.
1888	" S. McBurnie.....	Cawnpore, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.

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APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1888.	Miss Emma Mitchell.	Nanking, China.	New York	Brooklyn, N. Y.
1888	" Sarah Peters	Chin Kiang, China.	Northwestern	Princeville, Ill.
1888.	" Lucy W. Sullivan.	Lucknow, India.	Cincinnati	Dayton, O.
1888.	" Martha A. Sheldon, M. D.	Pithoragarh, India.	New England.	Excelsior, Minn.
1889.	" Anna S. French.	Nagasaki, Japan.	"	W. Salisbury, Wis.
1889.	" Anna E. Steere.	Peking, China.	Northwestern	Adrian, Mich.
1889.	" Louise Imhoff.	Yonezawa, Japan.	Topeka	Lincoln, Neb.
1889.	" Mary E. Wilson.	Nagoya, Japan.	New York	Chattanooga, Tenn.
1889.	" Elsie Wood.	Lima, South America.	"	South America.
1889.	" Maude E. Simons.	Yokohama, Japan.	Baltimore.	Fredericktown, O.
1889.	" Mary B. Griffiths.	"	Des Moines.	Marathon, Ia.
1889.	" Frances E. Phelps.	Sendai, "	"	Sioux City.
1889.	" Frances O. Wilson.	Peking, China.	"	Corning, Ia.
1889.	" Theda A. Parker.	Puebla, Mexico.	New York	Marilla, N. Y.
1889.	" E. A. Bender.	Tokyo, Japan.	Baltimore.	Maryland.
1889.	" Ellen Forbes.	Home on Leave.	Northwestern	Russelville, Ind.
1889.	" Fanny Scott.	Gonda, India.	Cincinnati	Cincinnati, O.
1889.	" Ruth Sellars.	Naini Tal, India.	"	New Matamoras, O.
1889.	" Lydia A. Trimble.	Foochow, China	Des Moines.	Galva, Ia.
1889.	" Ellen Blackstock.	Tokyo, Japan.	Indianapolis.	Shadeland, Ind.
1889.	" Georgiana Baucus.	Hirosaki, Japan.	New York	Ithaca, N. Y.
1889.	" Anna Thompson.	Baroda, India.	Philadelphia.	Canton, O.
1889.	" Amelia Van Dorsten.	Tetela, Mexico.	Northwestern	Wisconsin.
1890.	" Rachel R. Been, M. D.	Tientsin, China.	Philadelphia	Edinboro, Pa.
1890.	" Ida Stevenson, M. D.	"	Topeka	Chicago.
1890.	" Ella Lyon, M. D.	Foochow, "	Northwestern	Spencer Creek, Mich.
1890.	" Ruth Sites.	"	Baltimore.	Washington, D. C.

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APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1890.....	Miss Grace Tucker.....	Fukuoka, Japan.....	New York.....	Rochester, N. Y.
1890.....	" Leonora H. Seeds.....	" ".....	Cincinnati.....	Delaware, O.
1890.....	" Rebecca Dailey.....	Calcutta, India.....	Northwestern.....	Greenburg, Ind.
1890.....	" Fannie A. Perkins.....	Rangoon, Burma.....	Des Moines.....	Indianola, Ia.
1891.....	" M. E. Vickery.....	Rome, Italy.....	Northwestern.....	Evansville, Ind.
1891.....	" Mary F. Swaney.....	Rosario, S. A.....	Topeka.....	Manhattan, Kas.
1891.....	" Cecilia M. Frey.....	Peking, China.....	Cincinnati.....	Willoughby, O.
1891.....	" Anna R. Limberger.....	Puebla, Mexico.....	Philadelphia.....	Danville, Pa.
1891.....	" Kate L. Ogburn.....	Kiu Kiang, China.....	Des Moines.....	Union Mills, Ia.
1891.....	" Jennie Locke (assistant).....	Tokyo, Japan.....	".....	Japan.
1891.....	" Laura M. White.....	Chin Kiang, China.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia.
1891.....	" Mary De Motte.....	Home on Leave.....	Des Moines.....	Jacksonville, Ill.
1891.....	" Ella A. Lewis.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New York.....	New York City.
1891.....	" Louisa Haefler.....	Shahjahanpore, India.....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia.
1891.....	" Harriet Kemper.....	Moradabad, ".....	Des Moines.....	Stuart, Ia.
1891.....	" Mary Bryan, M. D.....	Bareilly, ".....	New York.....	Ogdensburg, N. Y.
1891.....	" Mary Kennedy.....	Bombay, ".....	Des Moines.....	Des Moines, Ia.
1892.....	" I. Crossthwaite.....	Tientsin, China.....	New York.....	New York City.
1892.....	" Effie Dunmore.....	Tetela, Mexico.....	Philadelphia.....	Auburn Corners, Pa.
1892.....	" Rebecca J. Hammond.....	Montevideo, S. A.....	Cincinnati.....	Blue Ball, O.
1892.....	" Lillian Neiger.....	Guanajuata, Mexico.....	Northwestern.....	Danville, Ind.
1892.....	" Josephine O. Payne.....	Seoul, Korea.....	New England.....	Boston, Mass.
1892.....	" Effie G. Young.....	Peking, China.....	".....	Walham, Mass.
1892.....	" Luella Masters, M. D.....	Foochow, ".....	Northwestern.....	Thorntown, Ind.
1892.....	" Elizabeth Hoge.....	Lucknow, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Bellaire, O.
1892.....	" Anna C. Keeler.....	Rangoon, Burmah.....	".....	Hubbard, O.
1892.....	" Kate A. Blackburn.....	Lofcha, Bulgaria.....	Northwestern.....	Jacksonville, Ill.

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APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
1892.....	Miss Catharine Wood.....	Haiderabad, India.....	Des Moines.....	Humeston, Ia.
1892.....	" Ada J. Louck.....	Cawnpore, India.....	".....	Indianola, Ia.
1892.....	" Frances Craig.....	Calcutta, India.....	Northwestern...	Evanston, Ill.
1892.....	" Josephine Stahl.....	".....	".....	Diagonal, Ia.
1892.....	" Christina Lawson.....	Bombay, India.....	New York.....	Green Island, N. Y.
1892.....	" Ella J. Glover.....	Tsun Hua, China.....	New England...	Boston, Mass.
1892.....	" Emma E. Ferris.....	Singapore, ".....	Minneapolis...	Athens, Ore.
1892.....	" Josephine Hebingen.....	".....	Northwestern...	Bay City, Mich.
1892.....	" Lydia J. Wilkinson.....	Foochow, China.....	Des Moines.....	Diagonal, Ia.
1892.....	" Mary T. Cutler, M. D.....	Seoul, Korea.....	Cin. & N. York...	Pomeroy, O.
1892.....	" Alice M. Stanton.....	Nanking, China.....	New York.....	Saranac, N. Y.
1893.....	Mrs. Anna L. Davis.....	".....	Northwestern...	Oak Park, Ill.
1893.....	Miss Nellie Harris.....	Calcutta, India.....	Cincinnati.....	Berea, O.
1893.....	" Mary W. Harris.....	Seoul, Korea.....	".....	Delaware, O.
1893.....	" Lulu E. Frey.....	".....	".....	Bellefontaine, O.
1893.....	" Kate McGregor, M. D.....	Bareilly, India.....	Northwestern...	Bad Axe, Mich.
1893.....	" Eva M. Foster.....	Singapore.....	Columbia River...	Portland, Ore.
1893.....	" Carrie A. Heaton.....	Nagoya, Japan.....	Northwestern...	Seymour, Ind.
1893.....	" Lydia Diem.....	Loitcha, Bulgaria.....	".....	Berne, Switzerland.

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UNDER APPOINTMENT.

APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	POSTOFFICE ADDRESS.	BRANCHES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
	Miss H. S. Alling.....	Nagasaki, Japan.....	Northwestern.....	Chicago, Ill.
	" Florence Singer.....	Hakodate, ".....	Philadelphia.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
	" Minnie E. Wilson.....	Hing Hua, China.....	Northwestern.....	Shelbyville, Ind.
	" Lillian E. Marks.....	Bareilly, India.....	Pacific.....	San Francisco, Cal.
	" Wilma H. Rouse.....	Hok Chiang, China.....	Minneapolis.....	Lakefield, Minn.
	" Anna Elcker.....	Jabulpore, India.....	Des Moines.....	Muscatine, Iowa.
	" Mabel Allen.....	Foochow, China.....	".....	".....

ACCEPTED BUT NOT APPOINTED.

MISSIONARIES.	FORMER RESIDENCE.
Miss Anna Johnson.....	Oak Park, Ill.
" Mary Peters.....	Princeville, Ill.
" Florence Nichols.....	Boston, Mass.
" Mary Shockley.....	Columbus, O.
" Lola May Kidnell.....	Delaware, O.
" Alice M. Otto.....	Iowa.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.—(Continued.)

RETIRED AFTER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE.

APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	WHERE EMPLOYED.	BRANCHES.	PRESENT ADDRESS.
	Miss Sarah Woolston	Foochow, China		Trenton, N. J.

ENTERED INTO REST.

APPOINT	MISSIONARIES.	WHERE EMPLOYED.	BRANCHES.	PRESENT ADDRESS.
1875	Miss Letitia A. Campbell	Peking, China		Died May 18, 1878.
1876	" Susan B. Higgins	Yokohama, Japan		" July 3, 1879.
1876	" L. H. Green, M. D. (Mrs. Cheney)	Bareilly, India		" Sept. 30, 1878.
1881	" Emma Michener	Africa		" Dec. 11, 1881.
1884	" Ella Gilchrist, M. D.	Kiu Kiang		" April 23, 1884.
1871	" Beulah Woolston	Foochow, China		" Oct. 24, 1886.
1880	" Cecilia Guelfi	Montevideo, S. A.		" 1886.
1881	" Harriet Kerr	Bareilly, India		" Dec. 11, 1886.
1880	" Florence Nickerson	Lucknow, India		" Jan. 31, 1887.
1878	" Henrietta Woolston, M. D.	Moradabad, India		" Nov. 5, 1887.
1872	" Elizabeth M. Pultz	"		" Jan. 13, 1892.
1883	" Emma J. Everding	Nagasaki, Japan		" April 22, 1892.
1878	" M. E. Layton	Cawnpore, India		" Aug. 31, 1892.
1888	" M. E. V. Pardoe	Tokyo, Japan		" " " "
1887	" Mary A. Vance (Mrs. Belknap)	"		" Sept. 27, 1892.

POSTAGE TO FOREIGN LANDS.

The rates of Postage to Mexico are the same as in the United States. To all other points where our Missionaries are stationed, letters weighing half an ounce are five cents; newspapers one cent for each two ounces; postal cards two cents. Foreign postal cards may be procured at any post-office.

FOREIGN MONEY.

In India a *Pice* is one-fourth of an *anna*, or about two-thirds of a cent.

An *Anna* is one-sixteenth of a Rupee.

The Rupee varies in value, and is now worth about 33 cents.

JAPAN. The *yen* (or dollar) whether in gold or silver differs but slightly in value from the gold and silver dollars of the United States. One hundred *sen* in the *yen*.

CHINA. A *cash* is one mill. The *tael* is worth in gold about \$1.15. The Mexican dollar is also used in China.

UNIFORM STUDIES FOR 1894.

January.—Looking backward.

February.—Looking forward.

March.—Our silver anniversary.

April.—Our pioneer missionaries.

May.—Malaysia mission.

June.—Young people or Light Bearers in mission lands.

July.—Korea, country and people.

August.—Korea and missions.

September.—The Feast of Ingathering.

October.—Missionary heroes.

November.—Missionary heroines.

December.—Christmas service.

Constitution

OF

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This association 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 female 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.

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, Auxiliary Societies, to be constituted and limited as laid down in subsequent articles.

ARTICLE V.—GENERAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION. 1. The management and general administration of the affairs of the Society shall be vested in a General Executive Committee, consisting of the Corresponding Secretary and two delegates from each Branch, which delegates, together with two reserves, shall be elected at the Branch Annual Meetings, said meetings to be held within two months before the meeting of the General Executive Committee. 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 :

1. To take into consideration the interests and demands of the entire work of the Society, as presented in the reports of Branch Correspond-

ing 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 fields of labor, examining the reports of those already employed and arranging with the several Branches the work to be undertaken by each.

2. To appoint a committee, consisting of one from each Branch, to have charge of the Missionary paper of this Society, and to arrange for the publication of an Annual Report of the work of the Society.

3. 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.—BRANCHES.

SECTION 1. The organizations already formed at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Cincinnati, shall be regarded as Co-ordinate Branches of this Society, on their acceptance of this relationship under the provisions of the present Constitution.

SECTION 2. Other Branches may be organized in accordance with the following general plan for districting the territory of the church :

DISTRICTS.	STATES.	HEADQUARTERS.
I.	New England States.....	Boston.
II.	New York and New Jersey.....	New York.
III.	Pennsylvania and Delaware.....	Philadelphia.
IV.	Maryland, District of Columbia and Virginia.....	Baltimore.
V.	Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee.....	Cincinnati.
VI.	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin.....	Chicago.
VII.	Iowa and Missouri.....	Des Moines.
VIII.	Minnesota, Dakota, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon.....	Minneapolis.
IX.	Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado and Wyoming.....	Topeka.
X.	California, Nevada, Arizona.....	Los Angeles.
XI.	North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia and Florida.....	Atlanta.
XII.	Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas.....	New Orleans.

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. 3. The officers of each Branch Society shall consist of a President, not less than ten Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, an Auditor, and not less than ten managers. These, with the exception of Auditor, shall constitute an Execu-

tive 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. 4. The President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, shall preside at all meetings of the Branch, and of its Executive Committee.

The Recording Secretary shall notify all meetings of the Branch and of the Executive Committee, and shall keep a full record of the proceedings.

The Corresponding Secretary shall, under the direction of the Executive Committee, conduct the correspondence of the Society with foreign missionaries, with the other Branches, and with its Auxiliary Societies (hereafter mentioned), and shall endeavor, by all practical means, to form Auxiliary Societies within the prescribed territory of the Branch. It shall also be her duty to present to the annual meeting of the General Executive Committee a report of the work of the Branch during the year, for publication in its annual report.

The Treasurer shall receive all contributions to the Branch, keeping proper books of account, and shall make such disposition of the funds as the Executive Committee may direct, each order of the committee being duly signed by the Corresponding Secretary.

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee shall have supervision of the work assigned to the Branch by the General Executive Committee, and may order the disbursements of the funds required for that work, provide for all the wants, and receive all the reports of the Missionaries, Bible women and Teachers, who, by the plan of the General Executive Committee, are to be supported by the Branch.

SEC. 6. 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. 7. Each Branch may make its own By-Laws regulating its meetings, and those of the Executive Committee, also any others which may be deemed necessary to its efficiency, not inconsistent with this Constitution.

ARTICLE VII.—AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Any number of women who shall contribute not less than ten dollars 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, three or more Vice-Presidents or Managers, a Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, who together shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII.—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 Conferences of Missions 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 that he would have were it in the charge of any other 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 Schools, 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 paragraph, (§ 362), 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 interests of their work.

ARTICLE IX.—CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION.

This Constitution may be changed at any annual meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a two-thirds vote of each Branch delegation, notice of the proposed change having been given at the previous annual meeting; but Article VIII. shall not be changed except with the concurrence of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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 in 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 meeting of said Committee and arrange for the anniversary exercises.

IV. The Branch Corresponding Secretaries shall meet at least one day 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 Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within the bounds of which the Committee convenes shall preside over its meetings until a permanent organization is effected.

VI. The order of the business shall be as follows :

1. Calling the roll.
2. Election of President and Secretary.
3. Appointment of Standing Committees, *i. e.*, Committee on Publication, Committee on Finance, Committee on Application of Missionary Candidates, Committee on By-Laws.
4. Reception of estimates, Memorials and Petitions.
5. Reports of Corresponding Secretaries.
6. Report of Committee of Reference.
7. Report of Constitutional Publication Committee.
8. Report of official Correspondents and presentation of information from foreign work.
9. Fixing place of next meeting.
10. Notice of constitutional amendments.
11. Miscellaneous business.
12. 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. All women speaking shall rise when they address the Chair.

4. No member shall be granted leave of absence except by a vote of the entire body.

VIII. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary of the General Executive Committee to forward to our foreign treasurers, as soon as practicable after adjournment, a copy of the appropriations for each Mission.

IX. The Secretary of each meeting of the General Executive Committee shall keep a full record of all proceedings, and enter them upon a suitable book of record, which shall be deposited in the safe of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*, and shall be transmitted to the next meeting of the General Executive Committee by the Corresponding Secretary of the New England Branch.

By-laws

OF THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

I.—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 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 *Heathen Woman's 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.

II.—BRANCH TREASURERS.

1 Branch Treasurers shall be required to publish each month in the *Heathen Woman's Friend* their report on moneys received. They shall forward the appropriations immediately after the close of the General Executive Committee, according to the appropriations for the next year, sending them directly to the Foreign Treasurers.

2. The financial year of the Society shall commence October 1 ; Branch Treasurers will close their accounts for the year by September 30, as nearly as possible.

3. The money received from annual memberships shall not be used to make Life Members, Honorary Managers or Honorary Patrons. Life membership shall be made by the payment of twenty dollars, given specifically for that purpose. If in installments, the final 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 *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

4. In case any Branch is unable to meet the obligations it has assumed, any other Branch may, by the action of its 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.

III.—FOREIGN TREASURERS.

1. Our Foreign Treasurers shall forward their estimates, properly approved, to the chairman of Committee of Reference on or before October 1st, that she may have them copied and put in the hands of the Corresponding Secretaries on or before session of General Executive Committee.

2. The Treasurers in the foreign field are instructed to forward receipts for remittances and a statement of balance in hand, quarterly, to the Branch Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurers, and a full financial statement annually to the Official Correspondent of the specific mission field in time to insure its arriving before October 1st of each year.

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, 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 purposes 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 report to the Branches from whose moneys they accrue.

IV.—OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENTS.

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.

V.—THE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE.

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, she shall declare the result, and order the Secretary to 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.

VI.—INSTRUCTIONS TO MISSIONARIES.

We call the attention of the Missionaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society especially to Article VIII, 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 mission 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 annual and quarterly reports to the Corresponding Secretary having charge of their work, and the action of the General Executive Committee will be communicated to them through that Secretary, or the correspondent appointed for their field by said committee, and no other instructions are to be considered as official.

4. They, with the wives of Missionaries who labor in the interest of the Society, shall constitute a committee to prepare, at each session of the conference or annual meeting of the Missionaries, the estimates for the ensuing year, which estimates shall have the sanction of said conference or annual meeting before being forwarded to the General Executive Committee.

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. A Medical Missionary shall be accountable to the Branch from which she is sent. She shall keep an itemized account of all receipts and disbursements; such receipts may be used for necessary expenses, in her medical work; any surplus being remitted to the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and her medical outfit shall be the property of the same.

9. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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, at the rate of three hundred and fifty dollars, or if it be inexpedient for her to return, at the rate of three hundred dollars.

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.

13. We agree to pay our Missionaries \$200 for personal outfit, and \$100 for the furnishing of the home, when necessary, the latter to be the property of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

14. We recommend, when practicable, that such an arrangement be made for the duties of our Missionaries during their 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 four hundred dollars, with one hundred and fifty for incidentals. Medical Missionaries shall from the first receive full salary.

15. 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.

16. 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 :

OFFICIAL RELATION 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.'

"In the judgment of the bishops it is not within the right of the superintendent of a 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.

"2d. 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.

"3d. 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 matters relating to their work.

Most respectfully and sincerely,

WILLIAM L. HARRIS."

WHEREAS, Certain usages having 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 an Educational Committee, selecting classes of people among whom work may be most 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 department 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 so to 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 appropriation of money be asked.

7. A class of laborers are 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 woman 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.

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 a candidate must not be less than twenty-five years, nor more than thirty. A thorough intellectual training, with a facility in acquiring languages, and a remarkable ability for Christian Work, may be considered as a 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 required 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 the 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.

VII.—HEATHEN WOMAN'S FRIEND.

1. The paper of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society shall be known as the *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

2. Its editor and agent 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 paper shall be under the control of the Publication Committee provided by the Constitution.

VIII.—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. The agent of the *Heathen Woman's Friend* shall give the Chairman an itemized report of the receipts and expenditures of the paper, properly audited, by the first of October, and another six months thereafter. 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.

4. A committee of five shall be appointed annually by the Constitutional Publication Committee, to whom shall be entrusted the investment and control of the funds of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

5. The agent of the *Heathen Woman's Friend* shall commence and close her financial year with October 1.

6. If the office of editor or agent becomes vacant during the year, this committee shall have the power to fill the vacancy.

7. The traveling expenses of the editor and agent of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*, and of the chairman of Literature Committee, to and from the sessions of the General Executive Committee, shall be paid from the funds of the *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

8. There shall be a Literature Committee, whose work shall be to

edit the annual Report, to provide leaflets, uniform readings, lesson leaves, and other helps for monthly and public meetings, and to superintend all publications of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

9. 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 *Heathen Woman's Friend*.

10. This Committee shall meet prior to each session of the General Executive Committee, and report to that body the work of the year.

11. These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the General Executive Committee, by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

IX.—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 investments 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 meeting 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 Constitutional Committee.

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. Do you believe in the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, as set forth in Sect. 2 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. Have you ever been married ; if so, is your husband living ?
12. Will you answer by *testimonials* to each of these questions ?

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 style 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, Sarah E. Crandon, Mary C. Nind, Elizabeth K. Stanley, Harriet M. Shattuck, Eliza B. Stevens, Caroline R. Wright, Harriet B. Skidmore, Josephine D. Easter, Annie R. Gracey, Mary L. Dennler, Sarah K. Cornell, Anna A. Harris, Ordelia 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 hands and seals this 20th day of December, A. D. 1884.

CAROLINE R. WRIGHT,	[Seal]
ANNA A. HARRIS,	"
HARRIET B. SKIDMORE,	"
SARAH K. CORNELL,	"
SUSAN A. SAYRE.	"

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.

STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF KINGS, }
CITY OF BROOKLYN, } 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 Kings 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 Record), 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 the 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 band and affixed the seal of said County and Court, this 24th day of December, 1884.

[SEAL.]

RODNEY THURSBY, *Clerk.*

(Endorsed,)

THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL
 CHURCH.

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, Dec. 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, Dec. 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.*

FORMS FOR WILL AND DEVISE.

Special attention is called to the following form of Bequest and Devise required by the incorporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

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.

NOTE.—Prompt notice of all bequests and devises should be given to the Corresponding Secretary of the Branch within which the donor resides.

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.

The following resolution was adopted at the General Executive Committee at Springfield, Mass., and ordered published in the Annual Report:

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,
 HARRIETT B. SKIDMORE,
 SARAH L. KEEN,
 ELIZA B. STEVENS,
 ELLEN T. COWEN,

SARAH E. CRANDON,
 MARY S. HUSTON,
 CHARLOTTE S. WINCHELL,
 MATILDA WATSON,
 ELIZABETH M. CROW.

LIST OF REAL ESTATE.

Belonging to WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY, M. E. CHURCH.

India.	Korea.
Almorah, Sanitarium	Home and School
Budoan, School Building	Hospital
Bareilly, Home (43 acres)	
Hospital	Total
Orphanage	
Bijnour, School	Mexico.
Bombay, Home and School	Mexico City, Orphanage
Cawnpore, School Building	Pachua, Home School
Home	Puebla, "
Gonda, School Building	Total
Lucknow, School Building	
Home	South America.
Boarding Halls	Montevideo, Home and School
Home for Friendless	Rosario, "
Moradabad, School Building	Total
Home	
Naini Tal, Boarding School	Bulgaria.
Paori, Orphanage	Lofteha, Home and School
Pithoragarh, Adeline Newman	
Home for Friendless Women	Italy.
Seetapore, Boarding School	Rome, School Property
Total	Zenana Paper Fund, invested
China.	in this Country
Chinkingang, Home and Hospital	
Foochow, Orphanage	Summary.
Girls' Board'g School	India
Two Hospitals	China
Kin Kiang	Japan
Nanking, School	Korea
Peking, Home and School	Mexico
Tien sin, Hospital	South America
Home	Bulgaria
Tsun Hwa, Home and School	Italy
Hospital	Total
Total	Adding Zenana Paper Fund
Japan.	Grand Total
Aoyama, School Tokyo	
Tsukiji, "	
Hakodati, Home and School	
Fukuoka	
Nagasaki	
Yokohama	
Nagoya	
Total	

Membership and Scholarships in the W. F. M. S.

The payment of one dollar a year, or two cents a week constitutes membership.

The payment of twenty dollars constitutes a person a life member.

The payment of one hundred dollars constitutes an honorary life manager.

The payment of three hundred dollars constitutes an honorary life patron.

Twenty-five dollars supports an orphan in India.

Forty dollars supports an orphan in Japan.

Seventy dollars supports an orphan in Mexico.

Sixty dollars supports a Bible reader in India.

Missionaries

SENT OUT FROM AMERICA OR EMPLOYED BY THE WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY SINCE ITS ORGANIZATION IN 1869.

<i>m</i> Akers, Estella, M. D.	<i>m</i> Elliot, Margaret	Jewell, Carrie I.
Atkinson, Anna P.	Ernsburger, I., M. D.	<i>m</i> Johnson, Ella
Atkinson, Mary	Elicker, Anna	Knowles, Emma L.
Ayres, Harriet L.	<i>m</i> Fisher, Elizabeth	<i>d</i> Kerr, Hattie A.
Abrams, Minnie F.	Fuller, Delia A.	Kyle, Theresa J.
Allen, Belle J.	<i>r</i> Field, Nella H.	<i>r</i> Kelly, Luella
Ailing, H. S.	Fincham, Ella B.	<i>m</i> Kaulback, Anna L.
Allen, Mabel	Files, Estella M.	Ketring, Mary
<i>m</i> Brown, Maria	Forbes, Ella R.	Kemper, Harriet
Blackmar, Lou E.	French, Anna S.	Kennedy, Mary E.
<i>r</i> Bushnell, Kate C., M. D.	Frey, Celia M.	Keeler, Anna C.
Budden, Annie	Ferris, Emma E.	<i>m</i> Lore, Julia A., M. D.
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PRONUNCIATION OF INDIAN NAMES FURNISHED BY MISS THOBURN.

I find it difficult to give the pronunciation of Indian names in English, as requested, because some of the sounds cannot well be indicated by the spelling. A few rules may be helpful, not only in pronouncing the names already given, but those that may occur in letters and reports hereafter.

A has two sounds, a short like u in tub, and a long as in far.

E has the continental sound, like the long e in there.

I is short as in sit, and long when accented as I in machine.

O is always long, as in no.

U short as in full, ù long as in rule.

Ai as i in mice.

Au as ou in our.

The syllable containing the long vowel is always accented. If there are no long vowels in a word, or if all are long, the syllables have equal quantity.

There is some difficulty in applying these rules, because the long vowel is not often printed with the accent in our reports, and so cannot be distinguished from the short, and because some names are spelled in English and some in Roman-Urdu.

The stations mentioned in our Indian Mission report of this year are pronounced, as nearly as they can be spelled, as follows :

Kamá on	Kamáw an	Badá on	Badown
Naini Tal	Nynce Táll	Bilsí	Bilsee
Blúbar	Bhaw-lar	Kakraulí	Kukronlee
Dwára Háth	Dwara Haut	Ghotà	Ghota
Garhwál	Gurhwall	Bissoulí	Bissoulee
Srinagar	Sree-nuggur	Saiswán	Sicewan
Pithoragarh	Pithora Gurh	Ujainí	Ujiney
Rohilkund	Rohilkund	Data Ganj	Data Gungje
Bijnúr	Bijnour	Oudh	Ou as in Our
Morádabád	Morad'abad'	Laknau	Lucknow
Chandosí	Chundowsé	Kámpur	Cawnpoor
Amroha	Umroha	Ráí Barelj	Roy Barailly
Sambhal	Sambhul	Bárbankí	Bara-bunkee
Barelj	Barailly	Sítápúr	Seetapoor
Philibít	Philibeet	Hardú'í	Hur-doo-dee
Aunla	Ounla	Gonda	Goanda
Fathganj	Futhagunje	Nawábganj	Nowáb-gunje
Kbera Bajbera	Khaira Bajhara	Baraich	Baraich
Sháhjahánpúr	Shah'-jehan'-poor		

RULES FOR PRONOUNCING WORDS IN THE FOCHOW DIALECT, FURNISHED BY
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a has the sound of	a in far.	ó has the sound of	aw.
á " " " "	a in fat.	u " " " "	oo in fool.
e " " " "	a in play.	ë has a guttural sound,	like oe in Goethe.
é " " " "	e in met.	ü has the sound of the	French u in l'üne.
i " " " "	i in machine.	au has the sound of	ow in cow.
í " " " "	i in pin.	ai " " " "	i in kind.
o " " " "	o in bone.		

Hok-Chiang	Hoke-cheang	Sia Sek-ong	See-ah Sake ong
Ku cheeg	Koo-cheng	Lí Chá Mi	Lee Chá Me
Tiong-lók	Tcong-lock	Kiu-Kiang	Kew Kcang
Hü Pá Mi	Hü Paw Me	Wong Ting Ai	Wong Ting Eye
Lí Yu Mi	Lee Yu Me		

It is almost invariably correct to accent on the last syllable of the name of a place.

JAPAN.

Nagasaki	Nang-a-sá'kee	Kiushiu	Qú-shoo
Tsukiji*	Skee-gce	Líu Kíu	Loo-choo
Tsurunga	Suroong'-gü	Yezo	Yes'so
Shikoku	She-ko-ku	Dai	Dye
Kawatsei Sui (Quassui) Jo Gokke.			Name of Nagasaki School
* "Ts" has German "z" sound.			Fu-ku-o-ka.

PRONUNCIATION OF SPANISH NAMES FURNISHED BY MRS. REV. D. KEMBLE.

Puebla	Pwablí	Rosario	Ro-sar-io
Leon	Layon	Montevideo	Monta-vid-a-o
Miraflores	Mee-rahflór-es	Buenos Aires	Bwa-nos-ayres
Queretaro	Ker é tar-o	Orizaba	Ori-za-va
Real	Rá-íl	Pachuca	Pa-choo-ka
Del Monte	Del Món-ta	Síao	Se la o
Ayapango	Ay a páng-o	San Juan	San-hwan
Guanajuato	Gwan-a-hwáto		

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