

The Woman's Missionary Society.

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FOURTH DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Fourth District held its annual business meeting at the home of Mrs. John Murphy, Blissville, Sept. 10th, at 2.30 p. m. The President, Mrs. T. T. Mersereau, presided. Meeting opened by singing, "Stand up for Jesus." Scripture lesson, John 14: prayer led by Mrs. Webb, followed by several sisters. After a few remarks by the President, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. T. T. Mersereau; Secretary-treasurer, Della M. Gereau. After singing and prayer, the meeting adjourned until 7.30 p. m., for the public meeting in the church.

The public meeting was presided over by the President. Meeting opened in the usual manner. The President made a few remarks, followed by an interesting reading, "Why Ought we to Work for Missions?" The Secretary's report was then read. Mrs. John Murphy moved the adoption of the report, seconded by Mrs. Dell Smith. Music was furnished by the Blissville choir. There was a recitation by Nellie Noble, "The Brave Little Missionary," and addresses by Rev. A. D. Paul, J. B. Daggett and Dr. McLeod.

The Secretary's report was as follows:

Madam President, Sisters and Friends:

A universal religion demands a worldwide proclamation. This obvious truth was but slowly apprehended, even by the apostles. The church of Jesus Christ has not yet fully measured its obligations, growing out of its possession of a gospel, adopted to and designed for the whole human race.

Under the Old Testament dispensation there were predictions of "a light to lighten the Gentiles," and of a King in Zion who should have "dominion from the river, even unto the ends of the earth." Yet in spite of these intimations of the worldwide reach of the Messiah's rule, the Jews had no thought of attempting the conversion of other nations to their faith, until the instructions of Christ, crowned by his last commission, to "go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," and this did not fail to convince his disciples of their obligations.

And so the story has gone on, from the twelve to the one hundred and twenty, from them to the seven churches and their missionary work, touching and glancing until all the civilized world has been brought under its influence. Still there were millions of souls to be

enlightened, and as the centuries rolled back one upon another revealing the work that had been accomplished, it led to definite organization for the purpose of sending the tidings to "every creature."

These organizations have gone on multiplying in order to do the work, until in Great Britain and America there are over one hundred foreign missionary societies, representing over a half million of people interested in this work, and spending over twelve millions of dollars.

In connection with this, woman's work in missions, though of recent development, has proved a powerful auxiliary. The woes under which women suffer in pagan lands could not fail to appeal strongly to the hearts of Christian women throughout the world, and they have not been slow to take up these branches of work which seemed specially adapted for them.

In India female missionaries have done a great work among the Zenanas, carrying the Word of Life to women who are excluded from society," but whose influence in their homes is powerful, and without whose conversion it seems impossible to renovate society.

There are sixty-one Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies; thirty-nine in the United States, nine in Canada, and thirteen in Great Britain.

These societies are divided among the different denominations, and sub-divided into auxiliaries.

The reports that have come from the auxiliaries of the several churches of this district are as follows: Fredericton Junction Society holds monthly meetings, has thirteen members, sends \$15.90. Rusiagornis holds monthly meetings, has thirteen members, sends \$18.00. Waasis Station, \$4.00; Clarendon Station, \$2.80; Clarendon Mission Band, \$3.50; Clarendon Cradle Roll, ninety cents; Blissville Cradle Roll, forty cents; Blissville, \$11.20; Patterson Settlement, \$4.55; Waasis Mission Band, \$5.70; French Lake Band, \$1.00; French Lake Cradle Roll, \$1.00; Lincoln, \$1.00; collected by Rev. J. N. Barnes, \$9.59; total, \$79.54. In closing my report, let me urge that it would be well for us all, at the beginning of a new year of work, to offer this prayer to God:

Great God, Thy Spirit now outpour
 Upon Thy church and children dear,
 That they henceforth may love Thee more,

And harken when Thy voice they hear.
 Wean them, we pray Thee, from the world,

Inflame them with new zeal for Thee,
 And souls, till by them unfurled,
 Immanuel's blood-red banner be.
 In every land, in sight of all,
 They're going down to death and hell,
 Without a Christ, on whom to call,
 With whom for aye in heaven to dwell.
 Help them, by love of Christ so great,
 So true, so free, to be constrained,
 And may their zeal in naught abate,
 Until the world for Christ is gained.
 Help them their all to Thee to give,
 To Thee by right belongs their all,
 All else forget, henceforth to live,
 And crown their Jesus Lord of all.

Respectfully submitted,
 DELLA M. GEREAU,
 Sec.-Treas.

Blissville, Sept. 10, 1904.

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Mission Notes and News

—The Northern Presbyterian church of the United States is making remarkable progress in the Philippines. It has five fully organized churches, with over one thousand members, and a native Filipino has been ordained to the ministry. The church at Iloilo has been built by the Filipinos without outside assistance.

—A Japanese Christian woman is head nurse at the great Tokio hospital. Another Japanese Christian woman is head nurse at the Hiroshima hospital. The head nurses on three of the Japanese hospital ships are also Christians. All of these are wide-awake to their privileges and opportunities as workers for Christ.

—In the United Free Church of Scotland Mission in China there is a Chinaman named Kan who was an idol maker with a large business, and who has a son who has given him much trouble. One day, in the preaching hall the father heard the preacher say that God was the heavenly Father of men. At once he thought, "What if I am giving my heavenly Father the same feeling of distress that my son is giving me!" He became an inquirer, and turned out all his stock of idols. "I have lost my business," he says; "but never mind, I have found a peaceful heart." His customers are exceedingly angry with him, because they say that all the idols they bought from him have now lost their efficacy.

—Three years ago a Mohammedan merchant from Timbuktu went for trade to the English settlements of Bathurst, on the Gambia River. Some one gave him a text-card in Arabic. The next year he traded again in Bathurst and asked for the book from which that wonderful text was taken. When the Bible was shown to him, he bought it and went away. The third year the merchant came to Bathurst and bought eighteen Bibles for friends who wanted the book. Now, the British and Foreign Bible Society is arranging to open a Bible depot in Timbuktu—the synonym in all the Sahara for Mohammedan exclusiveness and fanaticism.

—There certainly is no falling off of missionary interest among the evangelical churchmen of Great Britain, when their special organ of missionary activity can report yearly receipts of nearly \$2,000,000. The treasurer's report, lately published, shows \$1,972,309.68

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