The Woman's Missionary Society.

SECOND DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The W. M. Society of the Second District met on the 25th of June in the schoolhouse at Knowlesville, at 2 p. m. The weather was favorable; the attendance was large, most of the local societies being represented. The president, Mrs. McFarlane, led the devotional exercises, and a number of earnest prayers were made for our work. The assistant secretary (Miss Jones) being absent, Mrs. G. W. Slipp was appointed assistant secretary pro tem. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. After the offices were declared vacant, Mrs. McFarlane was chosen president; Mrs. G. W. Slipp, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. John Perry, Jr., assistant secretary; Dr. Secord, superintendent of the Bands. The delegates reported their societies in a very interesting manner, and after the ordinary routine of business, the meeting adjourned to meet at 7.30 p.m. in the church for the public meeting.

At the appointed hour the public meeting was opened. Singing, "Far and Wide," by the choir; the president read a part of the 25th chapter of Matthew; Rev. H. A. Bonnell offered prayer; the choir sang "Tell it Out." The president made a few well chosen remarks on the encouraging features of our work. The secretary's report was then read, as follows:

Beloved President, Sisters and Friends:

We have been spared through all the vicissitudes of another year, with its cares, it sorrows, its struggles, its conflicts and its joys, to enter another year, with its opportunities of doing good, for which we have abundant reasons for thankfulness to our Heavenly Father. One by one the workers all over the fields have been called to enter the Christian's rest, and we are spared for active service. May we, like the pagan sentinel at Pompeii, found dead at his post, though others fled during the burial of the city by the ashes of Vesuvius, die at our posts, doing our duty.

In the war now going on Japan withholds nothing, presses her treasures on the authorities, heaps up the nation's altars with willing offerings, and is prepared to sacrifice everything precious and dear to resist and conquer the foe. Her peril is great, the need urgent, and the nation is alive to her danger. Yet, in comparison with the eternal issues of Christ's Kingdom, and the resources of the foe, and the welfare of millions of human beings, there is no balancing the two causes. As eternity is greater than time, as heaven is higher than earth, so Christ's holy war demands and deserves all His church possesses. May the time speedily come when the church of Christ will respond with the wisdom and devotion of Japan.

Although we feel the need of more workers in the fields, both at home and abroad, and the necessity of praying the Lord of the harvest for more laborers in his vineyard, we have a number to be thankful for. The Rev. J. N. Barnes, our home missionary, has been instant in season and out of season, abundant in labors of love to all. He rejoices that during this year he has been the means of bringing a number to Christ, besides his work for the Bands and Mission Soffeties. He has collected in this district \$74.18; \$26.00 of which is for the support of our native students and \$8.42 raised by the Band in South Wakefield. Mrs. Burkholder, writing about the native students, says Chakrabaiti Saum is premoted to the second class

and if all goes well will graduate next March. She also states that his adoption by this society has had a great influence for good on his character. Kailas Chundra Sarem has been ordered out of school by his physician, but is much better, and she recommends his support.

We have heard from 21 societies and churches, which report as follows:

Victoria Corner Society has 15 members, a decrease of one during the year; gave \$34.25; has never missed but one meeting since its organization, and that on account of a big storm; raised \$200 this year for home work, besides that raised for the W. M. Society; is a stron society, with efficient workers.

Connell Society has 17 members, a decrease of two during the year; collected \$25.97, \$8 of which was raised by the Band, \$5 of it to go for the support of Kailas Chundra Sarem, \$1 for the support of the little orphans, \$2 to be sent to Mrs. J. L. Phillips to help in her work. The society holds its meetings quarterly and is a good society, doing fine work.

Pembroke Society was organized 1891, has 15 members, raised \$11.57, holds prayer meetings, money raised by subscriptions and mite boxes.

Charleston holds meetings monthly, has 7 members, collected \$8.10.

Coldstream Society-contributed \$13.91; has a few faithful workers.

Waterville and Third Tier socieites hold their meetings together; Third Tier Society raised \$17.42, besides some for church purposes; has eleven members. Waterville Society raised \$28.05, has a membership of 21, a decrease of three during the year; the meetings are held the first Friday of each month; has a Band, and has raised considerable money for church purposes.

Lindsay contributed \$8.38.

Havelock Society sent \$7.96, \$3.63 of which was raised by the Band.

South Wakefield contributed \$8.88, the Band sending \$8.42 of it.

Gordonsville Society contributed.

\$5.42.
Upper Brighton collected \$1.90.

Mount Pleasant Society raised \$10.82.
Beaconsfield collected 81 cents.

Knowlesville Society contributed

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Knoxford Society sent \$19.58, \$7 of which was contributed by the Band; \$5 of the money is for the support of the native students.

Windsor Society contributes \$5.21.

Tracy Mills Society was organized in 1889, has 18 members, an increase of three during the year; raised \$25.87 by voluntary subscription, holds meetings regularly and has a Band, from which no report has been received.

Lower Brighton Society has 26 members, a decrease of six during the year; is doing good work; contributes \$45.34; besides this has raised over \$30.00 for home purposes; \$12.24 was raised by the Band, only a part was sent to this society.

Hartland Society raised \$33.79, with only 17 members; one of the best workers heard the Master's call during the year; \$60 was raised for home purposes; there is a Band of 28 members, which raised \$10.90 of the first named sum, and a Cradle Roll that raised \$1.10.

Woodstock Society has 58 members, a decrease of 9 during the year; contributed \$145.00, raised by contributions, collections, and mite boxes, \$50 of which is to go for the work in Ujurda; the Band paid \$8 of the money first named.

the grand total raised in the District during the year is \$503.73.

God has seen fit to make man an indispensible factor in the salvation of the human race. He has a man fitted for the time and place; such as Luther, Carey. Judson, Moffatt, Livingstone and a host of others, who have fought the battles and today are wearing the victor's crown. It is a wonderful fact that the

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tide of missions has flowed over the entire globe. Beginning with India it has gone across the Bay of Bengal to Burmah, then entered China's forbidden land, into Japan, and Africa, up the Congo the waters of salvation have flowed until today Thibet stands alone to break the chain that shall soon encircle the earth. Even now the soldiers of King Edward are sounding a note of liberty, freedom of conscience, and preparing the way for the Bible and the missionary.

Some years ago in the Morning Star, the whole Free Baptist denomination was asked to pray for Bro. Coldrum and his workers at Chandbali, India. The day for the prayer had arrived before they heard of it in India. Mr. Coldrum said: "I remember very well when I got up in the morning the room seemed filled with a mighty presence. I was filled with the Spirit beyond everything I had ever witnessed before. The very air seemed surcharged with the blessed influence. I had much faith and hope given he me. Brothers Runa, Jena and Caleb came to me with great joy, and said, 'Brother Coldrum, what does this mean?' I never felt such power on me before. It just seemed that all India was soon to be converted. We went into the prayer meeting and the blessed influence was there, and during the season of prayer one Hindu teacher fell down on his face and began to plead for mercy. When he arose his face fairly shone; several others were deeply affected, and the whole church quickened, and others helped in many ways. A few days later the papers came with the announcement of the call to prayer. Who could say this was not the an-

Dear Christian friends, do you not realize what a power you might be in helping those working in home and foreign lands? Pray for those just entering the fields, for old veterans, for native churches and teachers, and for the great army of men and women working in the enterprise at home. The armies of Israel prevailed when Moses' hands were upheld in solemn supplication to God. The upholding with our means aids in our supplications. The sun in its circuit remained still through the intercession of Joshua. God answered Elijah by sending down fire to consume the sacrifice. May the fire from the eternal presence of the Most High touch our hearts and inspire us to be more zealous to lo our duty.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. SECORD,

Secretary.

Mrs. B. Shaw moved the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Mrs. E. S. Parker. Then we were favored

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by an impressive song by a male quartette; Miss Richardson gave a recitation, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto me;" Mrs. Prosser gave a reading, "The Measuring Rod;" Mrs. J. N. Perry read a paper on Missions; Rev. E. S. Parker, B. A., sang a solo, with a full chorus, Miss Doucett at the organ; there was a reading by Mrs. G. W. Slipp, after which she spoke of the necessity of getting the boys to sign the temperance pledge in the Sabbath schools. Rev. J. McLeod, D. D., followed, and spoke first on missions, and then on temperance work in the Sunday school. He portrayed in a very graphic manner the rum traffic after the boys. The choir sang "Face to Face," and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. H. A. Bonnell. Thus ended the public meeting of the society, no doubt leaving lasting impressions for good on all present. E. C. SECORD,

Secretary.

