

The Woman's Missionary Society.

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TREASURER.—Mrs. D. McLeod Vince, Woodstock, N. B.

Rev. J. N. Barnes' Report for June.

To the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Mission Society:

Dear Sister—This has been a busy month. Leaving Hainsville on the first day of the month, we went as far as Fredericton and from there to Blissville, and on Saturday we reached Hibernia. We attended Conference meeting in the afternoon with Bro. Lewis, and had meeting on the morning of the Sabbath, but could not meet my appointment at Central Hampstead on account of the great rain. Had meeting at Flewelling's wharf Tuesday evening. From there we went to Wickham, and from there to the Narrows on the morning of the Sabbath, also attended the Mission Band which is doing a good work. Had a meeting at Big Cove in the afternoon of the Sabbath; at Henderson Monday evening; at Carpenter on Wednesday evening; attended the monthly Conference with Bro. S. J. Perry, Saturday, also the Mission Band, which is doing quite well; had meeting on the morning of the Sabbath at Bald Hill and at Tennant's Cove in the evening. From this point went to St. John, Waterloo Street, and had a meeting with the Mission Band, which is prospering. Then went to Deer Island, was met by Bro. Bonnell and taken to his home at Fair Haven, and well cared for. He drove me to Chocolate Cove to meeting Sabbath morning, back to Fair Haven for an afternoon meeting, and to Lambert's Cove at 8 o'clock; also had a meeting of the Mission Band at Fair Haven, which is doing excellent work. Left Deer Island Monday for Wilson's Beach; had a meeting of the Mission Band, and a public meeting on Wednesday evening. This meeting ended the month's work. We are glad to report that we have on the field a number of faithful workers, who have the cause of missions at heart; but it is a lamentable fact that so large a proportion of our people are quite indifferent to foreign missions. Some do what they do gladly, but more with little or no heart. The things of this life have so large a place in their affections that they have but little room for mission work or support of it. My heart is deeply pained as I speak to persons, some of them of large means, and they refuse to do anything. The home and the family and the pleasures of this life are cared for at the expense of millions of precious souls doomed to endless woe. When will the Christian Church wake up to their high calling of God in Christ Jesus, to let this mind be in them that was in Christ Jesus?

Summary of work of the month: Addresses on missions, 13; Mission Bands visited, 5; prayer meetings, 3; Sabbath schools, 2; funeral, 1; miles travelled, 208; families visited, 50; collected for the mission, \$19.42; for the INTELLIGENCER, \$11.00.

J. N. BARNES,

Grand Harbor.

—Brussels contains a clock which is wound up by the wind and never by human hands.

FIFTH DISTRICT SOCIETY.

The annual business meeting of the Fifth District W. M. Society was held at Belleisle Bay, K. Co., July 2nd, at 2.30 p. m. The President, Miss Augusta Slipp, being absent, Mrs. S. J. Perry was appointed president pro tem. The meeting was opened by devotional exercises. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The Secretary Treasurer's report was read and adopted. It was with regret the ladies present heard the Secretary-Treasurer positively decline re-election, who has filled the office for several years. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. T. M. Todd, President; Miss Ethel McCrea, Sec.-Treas. As Miss Slipp is President of the parent society the sisters present thought it their duty to relieve her from the office as President of the District Society, who has filled the office in such a dignified, capable and satisfactory manner for several years. A vote of thanks was given the Sec.-Treasurer on her retiring from office.

Resolved that the society pay the retiring Sec.-treasurer, Miss Carpenter, thirty cents a year for postage.

At the close of the business meeting the President organized a Mission Band; with a membership of ten, Miss Ethel McCrea is to be superintendent of the Band.

The public missionary meeting was held Saturday evening, the President, Mrs. Todd, in the chair. Miss Perry presided at the organ; Scripture lesson read by Mrs. Scott; prayer by Rev. David Patterson. The Secretary's report was read. Its adoption was moved by Mrs. Scott with appropriate remarks, seconded by Mrs. S. J. Perry. The local societies have paid as follows: Narrows send a very encouraging report from W. M. S., and also from Band, the amount received, \$6.50, Band, \$4.38, Cradle Roll 90c., collection \$1.20. Brown's Flat, \$4; collection \$1.42. Hibernia \$4, Band 53c., collection 51. Oak Point, collection \$1.30. Big Cove, collection 80c. Henderson, collection 90 c. Tennant's, \$3.58, collection \$1.65. Bald Hill, collection \$1.16 Shannon, \$8.00; Band, \$2.25; collection \$1.03. Wickham \$3.85. Westfield, collection 83c. Hampstead, \$11.30. Carpenter, \$4.95; collection, 79c. Received from our Home Missionary, Rev. J. N. Barnes, \$17.72, of which \$5.85 is for native preacher, the remainder is collections, which has been added to each church as requested by him.

Rev. Dr. McLeod addressed the meeting, emphasizing the great need of missionary work and told the grand results of such work. After the offering was taken, which amounted to \$5, the meeting was handed over to the chairman of the District, and Rev. J. A. Robertson, Rev. Mr. Field (Baptist), Rev. O. N. Mott, Rev. David Patterson, Rev. C. B. Lewis, and Mr. Leonard made very impressive addresses. S. J. C.

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A GOOD USE FOR IDOLS.

A missionary in Travancore, India, saw, one morning, a native coming to his house with a heavy burden. On reaching it, he laid on the ground a sack. Unfastening it, he emptied it of its contents—a number of idols. "What have you brought these here for?" asked the missionary; "I don't want them." "You have taught us that we do not want them, sir," said the native; "but we think they might be put to some good use. Could they not be melted down and formed into a bell to call us to church?" The hint was taken; they were sent to a bell founder and made into a bell, which now summons the native converts to praise and prayer.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Woman's Mission Society of the Seventh District will be held in connection with the District Meeting at Fair Haven, Deer Island, on the second Saturday in August.

As the secretary-treasurer has removed from the province will the secretaries of the Auxiliaries in the Seventh District kindly send their reports to Mrs. A. C. Smith, of West St. John. It is important that she should have them early in order to prepare a report from them for the annual meeting.

MRS. HARTLEY,
Sec.-Treasurer.

A GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

Writing of British East Africa, the *Presbyterian Witness* says: It sounds like a dream that railway communication should exist between Mombassa on the east coast of Africa and the great central lakes from which the Nile starts upon its long and eventful journey. Not only is there a comfortable and well-equipped railway line but on the great Victoria Nyanza lake there are two steel steamers, swift and strong and very comfortable, 185 feet in length and 29 feet in breadth. It was when returning home after the suppression of the Indian mutiny that Grant and Speke

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The missionary has been keeping pace fairly well with the explorer and the trader. Happily there are now industrial missions established here and there, which instruct the natives in the simpler acts of civilization, especially in agriculture. Indeed all or nearly all great missions do much to improve the temporal circumstances of the people as well as to give them spiritual light and leading.

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