

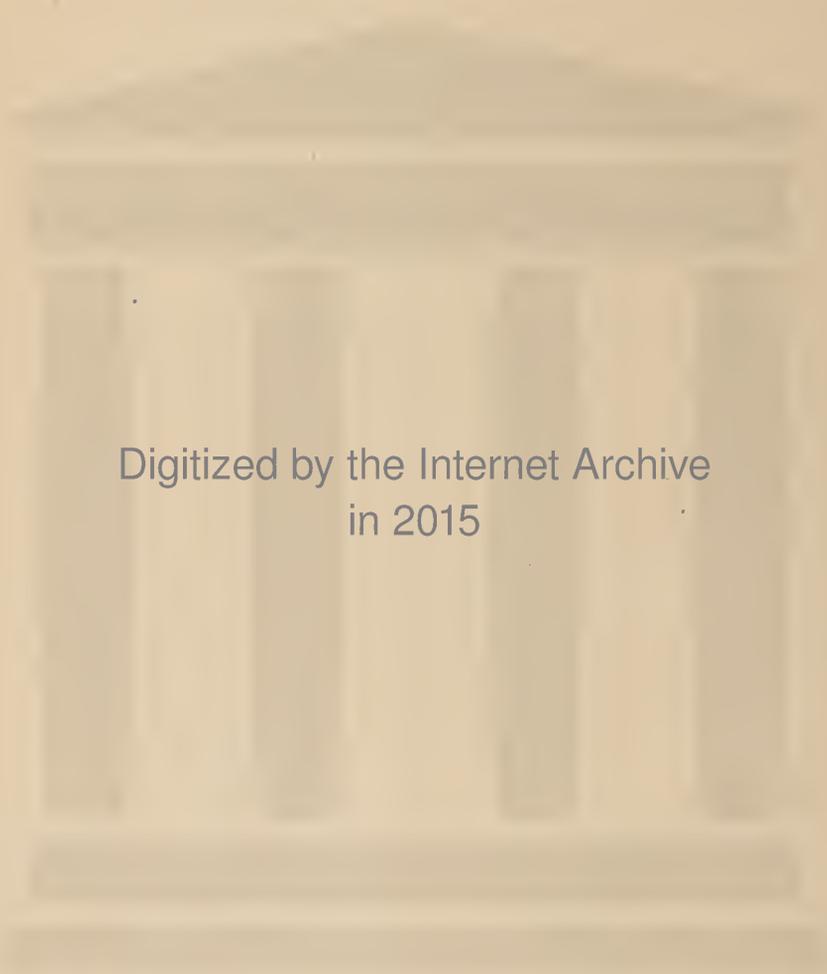




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DO NOT forget that the Missionary Map of the World, lately published by the Foreign Board, may still be had by sending to 23 Centre Street. Size 12 ft. x 7. Price, \$4.00, postage paid.

SUBSCRIBERS will greatly oblige those having the magazine in charge by sending notice of their renewed subscriptions as promptly as possible. The date of the expiration of the subscription is given now on the printed slip pasted on the cover of the magazine. If, after the last number is sent, no notice of renewal is received before the time comes for sending the next number, the name has to be taken from both written and *printed lists*. If, afterwards, the renewal is received the name must be copied afresh and sent to the printer to be "set up" again, which costs both time and *money*. If all subscribers and agents for the magazine would bear this in mind, this would be spared. We are confident that all will concur in our desire that the necessary changes from month to month should be effected with the least possible labor and expense.

M. P.

THE NEW edition of the *Historical Sketches* is now ready, and may be obtained from the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, 1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. The former edition has been revised, and sketches of Korea and Guatemala have been added, making a volume of 300 pages. Owing to this increase in size it is necessary to sell

the book at a higher price than heretofore. The copies bound in paper will be sold at 60 cents each; those in cloth, at 75 cents. When ordering by mail, send seven cents extra for postage.

THE WOMEN of Siam have petitioned the king to take from their husbands the right to pledge them in payment of gambling debts.

ALL THE Laos women and nearly two-thirds of the men are ignorant of any written language. "We have, therefore, put them to studying Siamese."

TWENTY NEW villages are represented by the converts in the Laos Mission this year. There were 93 additions to the Church.

NINGPO boarding-school has made a rule insisting on unbinding of the feet as a requisite for admission. Number of pupils, 27.

QUEEN VICTORIA has given \$500 to the Countess of Dufferin's fund.

AT BOMBAY a Hindu widow has set up shop as a bookseller.

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT has elected Miss Kin Kato, a graduate of the Normal School of Tokio, to receive three years' training at the Normal School in Salem, Mass., to fit herself to take charge of similar institutions in her own country. This lady will be the first to be educated in America at the expense of the Government of Japan.

THE RANI'S GIFT.

Suggested by an incident in the last number, page 73.

- What moved that dark-eyed Princess,
 In the far-off Eastern land,
 With wasted hand close clasping
 Her "Sahiba's" white hand?
 What was the farewell message
 In her wistful, pleading gaze,
 And the fevered lips that faltered
 In the flowing, Hindi phrase?
- "How can my weak voice thank you
 For love that pitied me,
 When life was swiftly slipping
 Into the Shoreless Sea?
 You saved *me*, but oh! the millions
 In agony suffer on;
 No one to count their heart-throbs,
 Nor hush their weary moan.
- "I grieve, kind Christian lady,
 The parting hour has come,
 But I bid you hasten quickly
 Back to your English home;
 Quickly, with India's pleading,—
 No pomp of royal state
 May hinder your Master's errand,
 His message must not wait:
- "His message about his weak ones;
 And, lady, write it small,
 This long, long cry of sorrow,
 Your good Queen must know all.
 Then place it in this locket,
 Graven of choicest gold—
 The casket is none too precious
 For the story that shall be told.
- "It will touch the heart of the woman,
 And prompt the will of the Queen;
 This locket and its story
 Of misery I have seen."
 So over the deep, wide ocean,
 The gift and the message went,
 And the prayers from sad zenanas
 Swift wings to its mission lent.
- Safely it came to the Palace,
 Into its lordliest hall,
 And the heart of the good Queen heark-
 ened
 To her suffering sisters' call.
 And she spoke to English women,
 "Now hand must join with hand;
 Come, lift we this heavy burden,
 That crushes the fair, old land."
- Soon, at the royal bidding,
 The willing-hearted, quick
 To hear and do, bring comfort
 And healing to the sick.
 And through the dark zenanas
 It is woman's love that brings
 The "Righteousness, arising,
 With healing in His wings."
- And so the sigh of the Rani
 For India, breathing prayer,
 And the loving, patient worker
 Giving her tender care;
 Victoria, the sovereign,
 Heeding her King's decree,—
 "Who doeth for the least of Mine,
 Doeth it unto Me;"
- And she, the gracious Lady,
 On England's mission sent,
 And they on holier errand,
 O'er lowly couches bent;
 All these shall share the honor
 For every service done,
 All, hear the glad Home-calling
 Before their Father's throne.
- Now, as we read the story,
 What clearer, sweeter word
 Can greet us than its message,
 "Go tell of our risen Lord?"
 "Go tell!" till waves of gladness
 In surging anthems roll,
 How Christ, our Great Physician,
 Can cure the sin-sick soul.



Siam and Laos.

OUR MISSIONARIES,

AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Mrs. A. Willard Cooper, Bangkok, Siam, Lately arrived.	Miss Edna S. Cole,	} Care H. B. M. Consul, Chieng-Mai, via Pahpoon, British Burmah.
Miss Mary McDonald, " " About leaving.	Miss Isabelle A. Griffin,	
Miss Laura A. Olmstead, " " " "	Mrs. Chalmers Martin,	" " " "
Miss Mary L. Cort, Petchaburi, " Returning.	Mrs. Daniel McGilvary,	" " " "
Mrs. Eugene P. Dunlap, " " " "	Miss Eliza P. Westervelt,	" " " "
Mrs. C. D. McLaren, " " " "	Mrs. S. C. Peoples,	} Lakawn, via Chieng-Mai, Pahpoon, British Burmah.
Miss Jennie B. Neilson, " " " "		

Miss Jeanie M. Henderson and Miss Jennie Small on their way: not yet stationed. *In this Country:* Mrs. N. A. McDonald and Mrs. M. A. Cheek, Oberlin, Ohio; Mrs. Jas. W. Van Dyke, Cranbury, N. J.; Mrs. E. S. Sturge, West Phila., Pa.

THE MAP.

Here we see SIAM, dipping into the southern seas, and lying in that zone which enjoys perpetual summer, with river and mountain and plain, and a goodly line of sea coast — a beautiful land, having a population of nearly 10,000,000 in her cities, towns and fishing villages.

Our oldest station is BANGKOK, the capital, opened in 1840, and, with the exception of three years, occupied ever since. Here we find the Mission Press, sending out last year 1,116,800 pages of Scripture and good books. Here is the oldest church and boys' school, both prosperous and growing, in charge of Dr. N. A. McDonald and his daughter, assisted by native helpers. Rev. J. W. Van Dyke has charge of a bazaar chapel and a newer church, organized for the benefit of the girls' boarding-school. There are also two day-schools. Rev. E. Wachter is also at Bangkok.

Across the northwest corner of the Gulf is PETCHABURI, at present the most aggressive and prosperous station in Siam. Here are four organized churches and preaching in thirteen outside villages, besides nine places in the city where an average of nineteen services are held each week. There is much teaching by the wayside, in the bazaars and homes of the people, and even in the Buddhist temple grounds. At this

station we also find Bible-women, who go from house to house reading the Word.

Many of the brightest and most hopeful converts are gathered from the nine schools of Petchaburi and from the hospital established by Dr. E. S. Sturge, since whose return to the United States this medical work has fallen upon the weary shoulders of Rev. E. P. Dunlap, who is assisted by several students. Only two stations in all this kingdom, where there ought to be twenty!

Going north to Laos, we find CHIENG-MAI, the capital of that kingdom, occupied by our missionaries since 1867. Sorrow and joy float side by side down the current of this station's history. Through all, the churches and schools have been kept up, and much seed sowing done. The present missionaries are Dr. McGilvary and Rev. Chalmers Martin.

A new station has been opened at LAKAWN (Lagon on the map) under the most promising auspices, the king giving ground for the mission buildings and money to help erect the needed houses, and sending his brother to escort the missionaries, Dr. and Mrs. Peoples, to their new field of labor.

There are many open doors among the Laos that should be entered promptly.

Mary L. Cort.

MERIT-MAKING.

After a circle of five hundred and fifty transmigrations, Buddha was born a prince. He taught his followers, by example and precept, that only by the practice of the severest austerities and by constant merit-making could they hope to attain to rest in the world to come. Buddha was probably contemporary with the prophet Daniel, and died in the year 543 B. C. All the images represent him, not dead, nor asleep, but impassive and indifferent to every emotion. Such, his followers believe a true representation of his present happy state. His invitation to them is not "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," but "By my great merit have I attained to this rest; go thou and do likewise." Demerit condemns them to an almost endless round of transmigrations, some of which they hope to escape by their good works.

Once, when going north on a mission tour, we stopped in the city of Ayuthia, the old capital of Siam. In the early morning, while sitting on the verandah of the mission house, we became deeply interested in the affairs of our neighbor on the opposite side of the canal. A procession of small boats is coming. In each sits a representative of the "Noble Order of the Yellow Robe." With hatless, shaven head, bare feet and soiled robe, he does not present a very clerical appearance. Some of the boats are propelled by two boy students in the temples, whilst the solitary priest, in others, paddles his "own canoe" with his indispensable alms-bowl placed in front of him.

These religious mendicants are going out in quest of their daily rice, and the pious old women of the town have another opportunity for laying up a store of merit. Our neighbor has taken her seat on the verandah of her floating house, with a large pot of boiled rice by her side. Presently, a boat pulls up; the old woman makes a low obeisance to the priest; he presents his alms-bowl, receives a spoonful of rice, and, passing on, makes way for the next. Thus, sixty boats passed in procession, each priest

receiving his portion. When nearly all had passed, the old woman left the verandah and entered her house, and we thought "the rice has given out;" but presently she returned, holding a small blue bowl in her hand, and, as she took her seat, another boat coming up, she made her obeisance as usual, gave the spoonful of rice and the small bowl containing some condiment, in addition. Ah! we thought, "that favored one who received the extra dish is doubtless her son, who has made his mother very happy by entering the priesthood and increasing her merit." This old woman was a shopkeeper, good-looking for a Siamese woman of her years, well-to-do, and fleshy, all of which was proof positive to her friends that she had great merit. This ceremony of feeding the priests was, perhaps, a life-long service, performed daily. She is a fair sample of the women of Siam trying to work out "their own salvation."

I have seen a Siamese mother with her little child in her arms enter a dark, mouldy temple, prostrate herself before a given idol, teach her child to bow down to it, leave her offering of fruit or flowers, and turn away. When asked why she worships idols, she answers: "Yum neum" — it is custom. "What do you hope to gain by the observance of such a custom?" "Boon," merit.

On their sacred days, which are gala days, and at funerals and cremations, which are grand pageants, the Siamese scatter money among the noisy, struggling crowd, — for this, too, is merit.

The giant system of merit-making is practiced from the king down to the meanest subject. We do not think the king has much faith in Buddhism, but it is a religion of Church and State, and he might forfeit his throne if he were to do otherwise than observe its ceremonies. So, royalty makes an annual visitation of the principal temples. The State barges are launched, and the river presents a lively scene for days, as the oarsmen send their boats up and down the stream, practicing for the great day when king, princes and nobles go to worship and



KING OF SIAM'S ANNUAL VISIT TO THE TEMPLES.

make presents to the priests. Royalty is never very punctual, but, from the hour announced for His Majesty to move from the palace, the way is blocked by a waiting throng, eager to catch one more glimpse of the "Chow Chewit," (Lord of Life). Two or three hours pass, and there is a great commotion among the crowd as the news is passed along that the "king is coming." His Majesty appears, seated on a portable throne borne on the shoulders of several men, and looking not unlike an idol himself. His heavy, jeweled crown, is on his head; his robe is cloth of gold, and rings of fabulous value are on his fingers. He sits quite

motionless, and, perhaps, uncomfortable under all this glory. A band of trained musicians precedes him, playing the Siamese national air. The strains of music reach the river; the barges are manned, and in waiting expectancy. The oarsmen are all dressed in uniform of extremely bright colors, and present a fantastic appearance. The king has embarked, and the procession moves. Messengers go before him to prepare the way, clear the river and canal of boats, and put the temples in order. When will the people prepare the way for the great King and "make his paths straight?"

E. D. McDonald.

SIAMESE WOMEN AT HOME.

The women of Siam are generally short of stature; their complexion varying from olive to dark brown; their teeth perfectly black, due to the use of the betel; their hair straight, black, and always kept short.

Comparing their dark, dingy and dirty abodes with what, to us, is the dearest spot on earth, how great the contrast is!

The Siamese live in the simplest manner imaginable. Their houses are frail structures of bamboo; the sides woven like huge bas-

from cords, and swung from the rafters; a rough, flat box containing earth, upon which a fire is built, and the family cooking done; the dining table, about two feet square, and elevated two or three inches from the floor; a few bowls and rice pots; a few straw mats, upon which the people sit and sleep. No pictures, carpets, or bric-a-brac of any description litter up a Siamese home; but, instead of these, cobwebs hang in graceful festoons from the smoke-be-



A SIAMESE HOUSE.

kets, and the roofs neatly thatched with the leaves of the attap palm. The whole structure is elevated upon posts several feet from the ground as a preventive against dampness, and the average cost is not more than thirty dollars; some, however, are more expensive. These houses are entered by a ladder, which is often drawn up at night to give the inmates greater security.

The furniture usually found in a Siamese house consists of a baby's cradle, woven

grimed rafters. There are no chimneys, and the smoke, in finding its way through the cracks, blackens everything. It is not, however, at all disagreeable to the inmates of the house, and serves the useful purpose of keeping off the mosquitoes, which are very troublesome. These houses are more or less infested with vermin.

Housekeeping, in such an establishment, is not very difficult. The family all arise at daylight, roll up the mats upon which

they have slept, and, lo! the chamber-work is accomplished. Some member of the family then prepares breakfast, which consists of boiled rice and dried fish. It is fish and rice for dinner, and rice and fish again for supper, sometimes varied by the addition of a little curry. At breakfast each person has a rice bowl, which is held in the hand, and the boiled rice is of such a consistency that they manage to place it in their mouths very nicely with their fingers. Knives and forks being unnecessary, are dispensed with. After eating, each one washes his or her own bowl, and turns it up to dry. In these ways, the labors of housekeeping are greatly lightened in Siam. There is little or no sewing to be done; no little stockings to be darned; no buttons to be sewed on; no washing or ironing days, for each individual washes his or her own scanty clothing; there is no annual season of house-cleaning, for no Siamese woman ever thinks of scrubbing her house, or even sweeping it thoroughly. Time would hang rather heavy on the housekeeper's hands, were it not for the occupation of betel chewing. All day long the disgusting quid is rolled, like a sweet morsel, under her tongue, and affords her great satisfaction.

Woman, in Siam, has more freedom than in most Eastern countries, not being secluded, as are her sisters in China and India. They are permitted a large share of work in the fields, as well as most of the buying and selling in the markets, while the men, not unfrequently, remain at home, do the cooking, and look after the children. Still, a woman in Siam is considered greatly inferior to a man. She is really a piece of property, and nearly always bought as a wife, with borrowed money, which debt she must afterward help pay. She is kept in ignorance, with the idea that womanhood in itself is a disgrace,—the fact that they are women being due to their want of merit, a punishment for sins committed in some previous existence. Their only hope is, that, by feeding the priests and building temples, they may make sufficient merit for themselves to be born men when next they come into this world, and thus have an opportunity to enter the priesthood, and be saved.

Christianity has done much for woman in Siam. To push forward Christian education among them is the only way in which they can be raised up and brought out of darkness and degradation into light.

Annie E. Sturge.

TESTIMONY TO THE CHARACTER OF CHRISTIAN NESTORIAN WOMEN.

“And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast labored, and hast not fainted.”

—*Rev. ii. 3.*

From the Oroomiah “Report of Work for Women,” for the last year.

Râbi Rachel was employed in village work three months, and cordially received wherever she went. She remained a week or more in a place, visiting the houses and holding daily meetings. Sometimes her strength was mainly spent in the effort to settle quarrels in the congregation, but, in some places, she found a delightful spirit of harmony. Special attention was given to the subject of temperance, and she obtained a number of names to the pledge.

Efforts for Mohammedan women in the city came to an end when Miss Van Duzee

left; but the three women converts, though tried by persecution, remain firm.

The missionary society of “Cheerful Givers” raised more than enough to meet the expenses of two charity scholars.

At the last Woman's Meeting in Sèir, Kemat, a graduate of the seminary, who has been two years in Tiary, a district in the Koordish mountains, gave her report: The ignorance of the people in that region almost defies description. It is not uncommon to hear men say that woman has no part in the resurrection. For a long

time the women there listened to Kemat only to deride, but a few now come to her and ask to hear again about "that wonderful Saviour." Kemat does not seem to think her hardships and privations worth mentioning; yet, the ceiling of the house in which they live and in which all the meetings are held is so low that her husband cannot stand erect, and, frequently, when he rises to preach or pray he forgets himself, and receives a hard blow on the head. Fortunately, Kemat is considerably under the usual size, and can walk about in comfort. Her zeal and cheerful readiness to live where she is needed are worthy of imitation.

To the women of the plain the most noticeable event of last year was the jubilee, where they formed more than half the crowd. On the first day, by actual count, seven hundred and fifty were present. Their neat appearance and quiet and orderly conduct will never be forgotten by those who saw it. After sitting on the ground for hours, they were still eager to listen, and it was rare to find in the whole congregation one who appeared sleepy. Probably no one in the whole assembly made a greater exertion to be present, and none felt more rewarded than two women who came from Marbeeshoo. Both had been pupils in the school. One was Selby, now grey-haired and widowed,—one of the three received by Miss Fiske in her first class.* Living in the superstition and prejudice of that mountain village, they had everything to contend with, and they were thirsting for Christian communion. When Selby first went to Marbeeshoo, she was the only woman-reader in the village. Now there are nine in the family with which she is connected, beside others, most of whom have been led to learn through her influence. In those early years none of the villagers would listen when she attempted to read the Bible. Now, commonly, from ten to thirty women assemble to hear her

as she goes from house to house, and, not unfrequently, the father and brother will quietly sit among them. Though unemployed by the missionaries, and having many family cares, she does much for the enlightenment of Marbeeshoo.

One of the encouragements which the jubilee exercises afforded was the proof of the advancing education of the women. When those who could read were requested to stand up, three-fourths of those present rose.

Though the days of the jubilee were so fully occupied with public exercises, several meetings were held by the ladies.—one with the collectors of the Mite Society; another with the leaders of the Women's Meetings. The graduates of the seminary met in a sunrise prayer-meeting, an occasion of great interest to many who had not seen each other for years.

While some things dishearten, we have been unexpectedly cheered by others. Thirty or forty years ago a girl from Tiary, named Nazee, was under instruction for a short time. We hear of her holding on to her faith through darkness that can be felt. Through all these years she has braved the ridicule of those who scoff at a woman who can read. Taking her Bible with her to her sheepfolds, she never suffers a day to pass without reading in it. All bear witness to her quiet and gentle spirit.

Men from the vicinity of Van have told our mountain helpers of a woman who is unlike any other whom they know: a Bible-reader of consistent life, but who is always weeping because of the darkness and bitter hostility of those about her. This is Nazloo, long lost sight of, who went out from Miss Rice's teaching nearly twenty years ago.

By chance we have heard of these as lights shining in a dark place, and we believe there are many others unknown to us, who are witnessing to the power of the Gospel amidst difficulties and discouragements.

Elizabeth W. Labaree.

*The day came for opening the school, and not one pupil had been obtained. The teacher was feeling somewhat anxious, when, from her window in the second story, she saw Mar Yohan crossing the court with a girl in either hand. One of them was his own niece, Selby, seven years of age. They were not very inviting to appearance, but * * * Miss Fiske wrote to a friend, "I shall be glad to give them to the Lord Jesus, and look on them as the beginning of my dear school."—*Woman and Her Saviour in Persia*, p. 51; see also p. 240.



SIAM.

BANGKOK, Jan. 12, 1886.

MISS OLMSTEAD.—For two or three weeks after school closed I was so tired that all head-work was out of the question. I could do nothing but make blunders, so I ceased trying to write (or balance accounts) and went off to Anghin for the needed rest. After a pleasant two weeks by the sea, with daily plunges in the salt water, I am quite refreshed. It seemed so good, too, to have some one to eat with, laugh with, talk with—in fact, I found the society of other people so much nicer than my own, that I was loth to leave it and come back to an empty house.

We returned on New Year's day, and found the Dunlap family had just arrived from Petchaburi, having come to attend the Presbytery and mission meetings. They came home with me, and have filled the vacant rooms and shut out the loneliness so completely that I was sorry to see them turn homeward, to-day.

My scattered flock must be called together next week, and the outside schools reopened. Our house has been filled, but the health of the school unusually poor. For that reason, we closed sooner than usual. Our appropriation for the year was so very low, that we were only saved from exceeding it, by sales from the sewing-class. There has been a good degree of religious interest during the year, and six of the pupils have been received into the Church. Others are waiting to obtain the consent of heathen parents.

Never has the field, here, been so open for work as now, and never, so far as human help is concerned, has the force been so weak. But if God be for us, who can be against us?

PETCHABURI, Jan. 12, 1886.

MRS. MCLAREN.—You wonder how we missionaries accomplish so much. Well, we are marvels to ourselves sometimes, and I know that wonderful strength from above is given us, or we could never do the work we do in this hot climate. Were it not for the good, inspiring letters from home, and the assurance of the prayers of dear

workers at home and elsewhere, and the blessing which follows them, I am sure we could not stand it here. How thankful we are for spared lives and health to enable us to work for this people! So many have had to leave us on account of ill-health, may it please God to let us remain long in His service here. I have been alone for nearly two weeks—all the rest have gone to Bangkok to the meeting of the Presbytery. I would have liked to go, but could not leave my large family of girls alone; besides, this is the cool season, and I enjoy teaching now. I have just opened the home school after ten days' vacation. I was obliged to stop to get "caught up." I have been going through drawers, cupboards, wardrobes and writing desks; and I am sure I shall enjoy my work much better, feeling that everything is not topsy-turvy, as things have been for some weeks past.

We had a happy Christmas. We had to plant our tree out of doors in the front yard, as the chapel was not large enough to hold all the children and their parents, brothers and sisters, who came to look on. Our two hundred children received presents from that wonderful tree. I wish you could have seen them as they came together that bright afternoon. It looked more like a picnic in July than a Christmas occasion, and felt more like a day in August, at home, than the 25th of December. I wish you could have watched the expression on each little face as the children carried off their presents—all seemed so grateful. I have not heard a single complaint. Please tell the little girl from the Westminster Mission Band that the chemise made by her own dear, loving hands is now being worn by a little orphan girl in my school. Her name is Jani. She is such a sweet, smart little tot, and she feels quite proud of her new dress. She wished me to thank that little girl in America for the pretty garment; and I want to thank her, too, for I know how many hours of tedious working she had before it was completed. But I am sure she would be more than repaid if she could see the little girl here enjoying it. Also tell Sophie G. and Bertha D.

that their pretty dolls are being nursed and petted, and kissed and praised, by two of the Governor's little girls. They are not pupils in my school, but they come with their papa to visit us often, and so Mrs. Dunlap and I decided to give them these gifts. The older girl is about seven, the other five years of age—and what a little chatterbox she is! She talks of nothing besides that doll now. She seldom puts it down—eats with it, sleeps with it, and plays with it from morning till night. They also send their thanks for their beautiful gifts.

One of our native preachers and one of Mr. Dunlap's theological students have just started on a long teaching tour down the gulf coast. They expect to be absent three months. They carry with them a letter of protection from the Prime Minister of Siam, giving them full liberty to preach, teach and distribute books of the Christian religion wherever they choose.

What great cause we have for gratitude when we think how willing the highest officials, up to the King himself, are, to help us in our work. The door stands wide open here for the Gospel.

MISS NIELSON, PETCHABURI.—(Concerning the boys' boarding-school). I have one class of which I am especially proud. It numbers six little fellows about nine years of age. Two months ago they could not write a figure—now they have mastered addition, and are working the hardest examples in subtraction. I have started a little Sunday-school. Two outside schools are too far away to admit of the children's coming to Mrs. McLaren's school on the compound. So, at seven o'clock Sunday mornings, I take one of the boys with me, for company, and start. I first stop at the nearer school and gather up the children, and take them to the farther one, and teach there. Teach, I say—I can really not yet do that. I can only sing with them and teach them to repeat the Commandments, hymns and verses. Twenty or more precious little ones come every Sunday. I have to walk the length of the principal market street, and I often hear the people, who seldom know what day of the week it is, say: "It must be Sunday to-day, for here comes Mem." You can scarcely form any idea of the filth of this street. After a rain it is filled with mud puddles through which the people wade. Banana skins, fish scales and all sorts of rubbish are thrown about, and it is sometimes as much as as one can do to push one's way among the pigs, dogs, fighting cocks and people.

The 16th is the anniversary of my arrival in Siam. I hope I may spend fifty more here.

LAOS.

MRS. PEOPLES, LAKAWN.—(Having left Chieng-Mai, August, '85, to open this new station.) The first Sabbath we had service here, there were per-

haps a dozen present. The old "Chow Peyah" and his wife, with their servants came, of course. Dear old man,—he is eighty-one, and very deaf. There were several inquirers, and after my husband had talked with them, the old man began to tell them the story of the Creation, and how Adam and Eve sinned. He has suffered persecution for Christ's sake, and his witnessing has done much to establish Christianity in this place. We have many visitors from the hungry poor. Doctor is thinking of putting up a small bamboo shed and preparing one meal a day for as many as we can. I think we must do this or lock our gates: it is so hard to see the women and little children suffer.

Two young princesses, with their attendants, called yesterday; such nice girls. I took them out on the back verandah and entertained them with the organette, and showed them the pictured life of Christ. They were interested in hearing the story of each picture and I had hope the thoughts awakened might prove lasting. We have so many examples of the power of His Word. Other words may be good, but we know His Words do not return unto Him void.

JAPAN.

KANAZAWA, Jan. 18th, 1886.

MRS. WINN.—I wish I could do something to assist Miss Hesser in her school, but I seem to be bound down at home, and can only go once a week to assist a little in the music. I am often full of regrets that I cannot do more missionary work; but how could we live without these merry-making children, and it cannot be right for me to neglect them. The Japanese live in a much simpler style than we possibly can, and I often feel they think we spend more time than is necessary in mere household work. To be sure it is important to teach them to be neat, and they might learn something in that line from our immense washings, but their ideas of neatness are very different from ours. Many of our ways seem as untidy to them as theirs to us, and we cannot make them think as we do simply because they are Christians. Then, Japanese children grow up so differently from ours; it seems as if the people were incapable of understanding our way of training children. I have often explained to my women servants why we discipline, and that we do not do it in anger, but it is hard for them to believe this, and I can always hear in an undertone, *karwaiso*, (pitiful), whenever I have to punish, or use a stern word. The children know this, and, if they get a chance, will run to the servants for sympathy after the punishment is over. It would be delightful if the children would only be models; but, alas, they have their full share of human nature, and I often fear that, in the eyes of the people, they are little better than

their own spoiled children. I hope, in spite of all this, some good influence is felt from our homes. I am sure they must see how strong a bond of love there is in the family, and a consideration for the mother and wife, that they have never seen before. I do not mean to say that *we* think Japanese children are better behaved than foreign children. They have their own sweet will in everything unless they can be coaxed out of it, though, sometimes, if the parent is angry, the child is cruelly treated.

There are many encouraging signs in all departments of the work which make us truly thankful. There are now ninety-six members in the Church, and a number are waiting for baptism. Among these are a man and his wife who have come from a neighboring city for the express purpose of studying Christianity. He is the son of a wealthy farmer, and I trust his influence may be good among the bigoted Buddhists of that class. There are three young men preparing for baptism, who came from another city to learn of this religion. So far as we can tell, they are sincere in their desire to be true Christians. Two of them have brought their business up with them; the third is studying with desire to preach the Gospel.

Miss Hesser has cause to rejoice over the rapid success of her school. I happened to meet them on their way to Church the last Sunday I was out, and, as I saw the long row of bright faces, I did not wonder that Miss H. should say it was hard not to be proud of them.

Seminole Mission.

WEWOKA, Indian Territory, }
March, 16, 1886.

MISS M. A. DIAMENT, — * * * We are most grateful for the generous manner in which our appeal for stockings was responded to. There were many cold days when little feet would have been sadly frosted, had it not been for our kind friends. We have enjoyed a delightful visit from Mr. and Mrs. Candor. During Mr. Candor's stay, meetings were held every evening and earnest appeals made to the children. Inquiry meetings were held after each sermon. Many who had for some time seemed thoughtful remained. Eight girls and one boy decided for Jesus, and were received into the Church. Three older boys, who had sometime ago united with the Church, but become careless, were restored. We rejoiced to see such a number of promising boys and girls professing Christ before men. An interest is manifested by nearly all the members of our school, even down to the little ones. Our little girls are very sweet and interesting in their child-like earnestness. Four of them of nearly the same size, and about six years old, came to us several times after worship, saying, "Mr. Ramsay, say de prayer, me too; I said de prayer."

Mr. Ramsay has formed a catechism class for the Christians, also one for those who have expressed a desire to become such. These he instructs every Sabbath afternoon. The boys and girls, each, have their Friday evening meetings for prayer and praise, in which they take part. We have also organized a missionary society, which we hope to make the means of teaching the children something of our church work. Mr. Ramsay presented a pledge to the pupils, after a faithful presentation of the evils of intemperance, by Mr. Candor. The majority of the boys, and all the girls, put their names down without any hesitation.

Chippewa Mission.

ODANAH, WISCONSIN.

MRS. ELLS.—I am keeping house, on a small scale to be sure, as I have only four rooms, but I am dearly attached to my little home, and never felt better in my life. Last week an old, blind woman, the only Christian in one of the strongest heathen families here, died. She was buried from the church, Mr. Blatchford preaching the sermon.

During cranberry time, when my sister was visiting me, we called at the wigwam of this family, and found the poor old woman had been left alone for three days, with nothing to eat. We returned to the mission, and from there carried her provisions, for which she seemed very grateful. She said her son-in-law used to draw her to church in a cart, but since he was so taken with their Sunday dances, he did not. I have little time for visiting, but my scholars are good children, so that I sometimes leave them to themselves when cases arise. To-day I left them alone, while I went to visit an old man, who is sick. Just after I left the school-yard, I met two little boys with dogs attached to their sleds, and accepted their invitation to ride. While the miniature horses trotted along briskly, I could almost imagine myself in the Arctic regions.

I have thirty-three scholars enrolled, although there are by no means so many in regular attendance. I try to have the school as home-like as possible, and it is a very easy one to manage.

The Sunday-school has enlarged, and as I usually act as superintendent, organist, chorister, and only teacher, it is rather trying.

Friday afternoons we devote to industrial work; the girls to patchwork and beadwork, the boys to beadwork, paper-mats and drawing.

A postal from Miss Cort, dated March 24th, written on board the steamship City of Sydney, says: "The steamer is just under way. All aboard and all well. Good-bye to America and all our friends here, and ho! for Siam and the dear friends on the other side."

Home Department.

THE MONTHLY MEETING—May.

Leading Thought.—PATIENT CONTINUANCE.

Scripture Text, Romans, ii. 7.—"To them who, by patient continuance in well doing, seek for glory, and honour, and immortality, eternal life.

Scripture Reading, II. Peter, iii., 8-18.

"In the vineyard of the Lord there is something for every one to do. No disciple can claim a dignity of position, or a length of service, that should exempt him from the duty of work; nor are any so feeble or so humble that they can do nothing for the Master. Our duty is to work where He has placed us; we can trust His love for the reward."

"The award is made, not to absolute or relative success, but to *fidelity*."—*Dr. J. P. Thompson.*

SUGGESTIVE TOPICS.

Siam: (Geographical description; Population; Climate; Physical peculiarities; Modes of travel; Native name; Origin of the word Siam; The national emblem; The capital city; Characteristics of the Siamese; Condition of woman.)

Form of Government: (The late, first king; His intercourse with American missionaries; His testimony concerning them; Circumstances attending his death.)

The present king: (Innovations upon the usual customs at his coronation; His early training under an English governess; His attitude towards missionaries, and towards progress in general.)

The opening of Siam to Christian civilization and to commerce, contrasted with the opening of China and Japan.

The Bangkok centennial.

The religion of Siam: (Leading tenets of Buddhism; account of Buddha).

Earliest Protestant efforts in Siam: (What Ann Haseltine Judson did for Siam; First woman to undertake personal work; First zenana teaching ever attempted; First missionaries sent out by the Presbyterian Board; Their successors; Their present representatives; The stations and agencies employed.

The Laos and their country: (Pioneer of missionary work in North Laos; Mission at Chieng-Mai—when begun? Journey from Bangkok to Chieng-Mai; Persecution; The martyrs; Proclamation of religious liberty; First convert; Account of his death; The hospital; Lakawn missionaries and agencies employed in Laos).

Refer to "Siam and Laos, as seen by our missionaries," published by the Presbyterian Board; also to the *Historical Sketches*; also to *Foreign Missionary* for 1885; *Our Mission Field* of same date; and letters from Siam in January number of "WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN AND OUR MISSION FIELD."

R.

ANNIVERSARIES OF AUXILIARIES, MEANS OF GRACE.

"Write us something that will quicken our spiritual life, distinctively, for, unless we cling to that, we may as well give up our societies."—(*Editor's Letter.*)

There is a difference between a quickened life and a failing, decaying one. I see it daily as I go from the rosy cheeks and merry laughter of my little children to the groanings and totterings of their aged grandfather. The quickened life is joyous and joy-giving; full of promise; full of activity. It gives as fast as it receives. The failing life is joyless, hopeless, dark, always receiving, never giving.

How can a missionary society have any other life than a quickened one—a life of eternal childhood? Age cannot bring it

decay. Is its right hand *already* withered? What then? The Master says: "Stretch forth thy hand!" Is it *already* a prostrate paralytic? The Master says: "Rise, take up thy bed and walk!" Is it even now—*dead*? The Resurrection and the Life speaks: "Lazarus, come forth!" Hear, obey,—live! Fear, remain unresponsive—die!

A quickened life is a life of action. Our missionary societies have something to do. It is not enough for the half-dozen faithful women to assemble once a month, hear the news from the mission fields, pray feebly for the laborers there, and cast each her

mite into the treasury. Each auxiliary should be a little leaven, leavening its whole community. The soggy mass will become light, if this leaven *works!*

But how shall it work? Those alive with missionary zeal must be brought into contact with those not yet belonging to "the blessed land of bread." There must be a warmth in that contact. Life, energy must work, expand, rise and bear up with it, that which once opposed, crowded and darkened it, or, to drop the figure,

We must have our mass meetings. We must have meetings to which all are invited, (at least, all women). To these meetings let each of us bring the very things that kindle our own hearts; the needs, the news, the pleas, the purposes, the promises, and the fulfillments.

Let every auxiliary hold a public anniversary! Let us appoint, prepare, advertise, and hold this meeting on purpose to stir up the hearts of the people, even as the Lord stirred up the heart of Cyrus by means of Daniel's prayers and efforts that he, too, Gentile though he was, should take hold with God and work with Him in the fulfillment of His purposes; and let this anniversary be

The beginning of a different order of things. Don't let us any longer fold our hands and say: "Our Church doesn't observe the monthly concert." Let us, ourselves, inaugurate it. Our Pastor needs our help. He needs this kind of help. How glad He will be to receive it! Even Paul needed the help of those women who

labored with him in the Gospel, and made grateful mention of them.

Do I ignore the need of Divine help? By no means. The Master said truly: "Without me ye can do nothing." Let us attempt to do something for the honor of His name; then shall we feel the power of the indwelling *life*. Having that, we shall be fruitful; having that, our prayers will be prayers, and not vain repetitions; having that, our faith will grow into assurance; and our struggles into victory!

Do you say you have no talent? Will you say that to the Master? It requires no brilliant talents to collect missionary items showing what God hath wrought, or to pick out His promises and point to them or to His commands or teachings. Gather in the missionary news; give it in brief items; see how astonished and interested listeners will be.

The best way to get money for missions, says a high authority, "Is, to tell people what has been done with what they have been giving in the years gone by."

The story of the Indian missions, of all our missions, will satisfy the giver that money contributed to the missionary society will be transmuted into glorious harvests, ripening for the garnerers of God.

Then, dear fellow-workers, let us strengthen each other in this work of enkindling *among the people* a sympathy with Christ in His great undertaking. So shall the people rejoice for that they offer willingly, and the King also will rejoice with great joy.

Edna Lyman Wilbur.

JAMESTOWN, DAKOTA.

MISSIONARY TEAS.

At this season, when teas are of daily occurrence, we decided to be fashionable, too, and give a missionary tea on the day of our meeting, inviting the young gentlemen.

We are limited as to our *menu*. Biscuits, cold meat, tea or coffee and cake, we find will satisfy the most capacious masculine appetite, if provided in sufficient quantity.

The hour is half-past six, and, as we eat, standing, in true reception style, we are

through long before the hour of our evening meeting, eight o'clock. Wooden plates are used to make the labor of clearing up as light as possible; and the expense is very light. As our society is quite large, each young lady brings a small part of the provisions required, — in some cases not more than a dozen biscuits — whatever else is necessary being more than provided for by a box placed on the table to receive con-

tributions for contingent expenses. We have followed this plan, which was begun with fear and trembling, in a church building without a kitchen, and with no conveniences for such work, and have found its success far exceeding our expectations.

Not only the young gentlemen, but older members of the Church ask for invitations to our meetings, so that each month we

have with us many whose interest heretofore has been slight, but who almost invariably join us and remain in the ranks.

We find our teas a means of widening our influence, and attracting those who would otherwise remain ignorant of this most glorious work of Foreign Missions.

V.

PHILADELPHIA.

GUNGA.

(CONCLUDED FROM LAST MONTH.)

After we were sent to Etawah, Kausilla was allowed to leave her work in Futtehghurh and come to my help. She left the "old woman" behind, but they could not be happy apart, so I was not surprised, one time when I had been absent, to find them together on my return.

Introducing Gunga to me, Kausilla said with pride, "Mem Sahiba, this is my old woman." Thus my personal acquaintance with Gunga began, a little less than two years ago. She was a short, slim little woman, her face wrinkled with age and care, but pleasing in expression, fully justifying what Kausilla once said: "My old woman is a constant reproof to me. Often I get angry and say cross things, but she never answers back, and then I feel so ashamed."

After Gunga came to us, she was unable to earn her own living; she had become too feeble for the hard work of grinding grain, so she merely relieved Kausilla of domestic duties, leaving her more time for zenana work, which was a great gain. I used to give Gunga a rupee — about fifty cents — a month, for food, and an occasional present of clothing, and Kausilla provided the rest. If the old woman lacked for anything, she never let it be known. There was always the same happy expression in her face.

She was one of the most regular attendants on my Bible readings, and when, as is my custom after the lesson, I would ask what special point had reached the heart of each, she always had the same answer to give. It was something like this: "I can't understand what you teach, for I am an

ignorant old woman, but I know Jesus died for me, and on this I rest." One might suppose the constant repetition of such an answer would become meaningless, but she said it in such a way I knew it was heartfelt, and I loved to hear it, though I must confess, after having tried to talk simply, it was rather discouraging to be told I was not understood.

But it was in the last months of her life Gunga most endeared herself to me, and showed how truly she was resting in Jesus.

I think it was in April, she slipped, and, as we supposed, sprained her ankle. The usual remedies being applied without effect, we sent her to the Government Hospital, for treatment. The native doctor, a clever, well-educated man, prescribed, but his remedies only added to her pain. After weeks of painful days and sleepless nights, he decided the knife was the only remedy, and this must be used only in the presence of the English civil surgeon. I was so glad to have her brought to *his* notice, and hoped much from his skill. How disappointed I was, then, when he refused to operate on her foot, and only prescribed some simple lotion, because, as he said, she was very old, and likely to die soon, anyhow.

Beside, she was "only a native," and "they are so queer," likely as not she wouldn't obey his orders.

From that day, we knew no more could be done to save Gunga's life. We could only show our sympathy, and provide the few comforts she needed.

Kausilla was untiring in her devotion,

though for months she did not have an unbroken night's sleep. Gunga was a constant wonder to us. It seems to me I could never have borne one half her pain; yet here was this poor, frail body, who had known her Saviour only a few years, bearing with meekness and fortitude long months of agony. The slightest touch of her foot was torture to her; yet, during the last month, we had to wash and poultice it frequently, for by that time it had become a mass of running sores. She would lie praying while we did this for her, and only when there would come an unusually severe pang, would she give a quick, short cry.

After Dr. Bell arrived from home, we asked her help, but it was too late; she could only prescribe sleeping draughts for relief. She said the foot might be amputated, but she feared Gunga was too weak to live through such an operation, and then it would be reported the "new doctor Miss" had killed her. Beside, Kausilla would not give her consent to anything of the kind. One Sunday, I proposed to the women to hold a little service with Gunga. She was pleased, and begged to be raised up. As we sang the only hymn she knew, she tried to join us; I thought, if those discordant, shaking notes were so sweet to our ears, how much sweeter they were to Him who had taught her to sing them. We prayed, and I said a few words of the home to which she was going, and, for a while, she seemed to forget her pain, then sank back on her bed exhausted.

This service was almost her last conscious act. From that time her mind wandered, and I thought in that state she would surely go back to her old life. I expected to hear her call upon Rám and Krishna, but not even then; it was Jesus only.

One day, she was lying so quiet I thought she was almost gone, when suddenly there burst on our ears the wailing cry which accompanies a funeral. They were carrying a body on a litter to the rivers, and, as they moved on, kept repeating "Rám is true! Rám is true!" Just as they passed, she started up, and called out loud, "O Lord

Jesus! O Lord Jesus!" as though she had heard the cry and wished to contradict it.

One week from that day we, too, bore a body to its resting place. The poor, tortured frame of Gunga was left peacefully sleeping beneath the soil, and the fresh, happy spirit was with the Saviour she loved.

Do you think I have made a long story over a trifling matter? I want to bring again before your mind three pictures.

Think of the little girl I described, how, almost like a brute she lived, in ignorance and wretchedness. Then think of that suffering saint. From what source did that patience and fortitude come?

Now turn your thoughts to that scene which is beyond description. In the midst of the glorious throng can you see a wrinkled, suffering, old woman? Yet Gunga the once forlorn child, the helpless, yet triumphant old woman, is among those radiant beings; one of those "who come out of *great tribulation*, and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb."

Now turn your thoughts to earth again. Let me ask you, who told Gunga of that beautiful home, and the way to get there? You answer, "Kausilla." But how did Kausilla hear the good news? Again you answer "through the school and Miss Blunt." Yes, but where would have been the school and Miss Blunt's teachings, did not our home societies support both schools and teachers?

Now we cannot point to this or that individual and say, "Gunga was saved through what *you* did." Each of God's workers has her share in the saving of that and hundreds of other souls. So do not get discouraged. Never think for one moment *your* presence, *your* prayers, and *your* fee can be withdrawn from a society, and there be no loss. *You* will be the greatest loser of all. God can save souls without your help, but He lets you be a worker with Him. He wants there should be many to bring you in remembrance before Him when they see Him in his glory.

N. M. Tracy.

CORRESPONDENCE with missionaries, Mrs. S. C. PERKINS, Mrs. S. KNEASS, Mrs. C. E. MORRIS, and Mrs. C. N. THORPE.

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Monthly meeting first Tuesday of the month, and prayer-meeting third Tuesday, at 12 M., in the Assembly Room.

THE Annual Meeting of the corporation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church will be held in the Assembly Room, 1334 Chestnut Street, Tuesday, May 4th, 1886, at 11.45 A. M.

M. B. SMITH, *Recording Secretary.*

MRS. R. H. ALLEN.

MRS. ALLEN was, for many years, the first Vice-President of this Society, associated with it from its beginning, and one to whom its success, under God, has been largely due. On the evening of March 3d she was called home to rest, by Him who had bidden her labor, and who best knew when the work of His faithful servant was done. To us it seemed that we needed her still, but He can supply all our needs now, as in the former days when she was with us.

It is fitting that some record should be made here of Mrs. Allen's work and influence in this Society, but the first thought that will come to all of us who knew her will be of the woman herself, — the humble disciple of the Master, — who unhesitatingly obeyed His call, *whithersoever* it led her; the woman of rare judgment, dignity, and ability; the true friend, — one who lived in this world only to bless it.

Of our Executive Committee she was one of the most valued members; listening carefully to all that was said she rarely gave an opinion unless it was asked, and then with breadth of view and soundness of reasoning she stated it in a way that almost always carried conviction. She was modest, yet never refused to accept any responsibility which the Lord seemed to lay upon her, whether it were to lead in prayer at one of our little meetings, or to preside at the great Annual Assembly. Twice she was called to this service, and both times under peculiar circumstances. The arrangements for the decennial meeting in Cincinnati in

1880 were made on her sick bed. Last year, though since 1882 her home had been in Pittsburg, and her work mainly among the Freedmen, she was called again to the front of the army of missionary workers, and presided at the Assembly in Baltimore, as few women had the ability to do.

Her pen also was busy in the Master's service. She wrote many an article for WOMAN'S WORK, and prepared a *Historical Sketch* of this Society. With her originated the idea of the *Historical Sketches* of our missions. She suggested the plan, conducted the correspondence with the writers, and edited the series. It was her hand that sought out and set in order the facts contained in our *Missionary Catechism*. Was she not our strong helper, this large-hearted, genial Christian woman; this friend of missions and of missionaries? Do we not need to thank God for her and to mourn her loss?

Shall we draw partly aside the veil that covers the last days of intense physical suffering, that we may see how a child of God "held and was held" to the end? Her faith never wavered, but the sight of spiritual realities was sometimes dimmed because of the great pain. At length, in the early morning when others thought her sleeping, she had a time of rest, and such sweet, near communion with her Saviour as she had scarcely ever known. Her soul's desire was granted, and when the physician came and she saw the end was near, she said: "You bring me good news to-day." Soon after that she fell asleep. So ended on earth "a life that was beautiful in the light of eternity."

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Washington City Presbytery, First Ch., Alexandria.
St. Clairsville Presbytery, Rock Hill, Coal Brook.
Elizabeth Presbytery, Madison Ave. Ch., Elizabeth.
Zanesville Presbytery, First Ch., Newark.
Shenango Presbytery, Sharpsville.

NEW BANDS.

New Jersey, Passaic, Pansies.
" Matawan, Willing Workers.
" East Orange, Elmwood Bd.
" Plainfield, Sunshine Bd.
" Asbury Park, Seaside Bd.
Pennsylvania, Scranton, Green Ridge Ch., Early Reapers.
" Millburg, Earnest Workers.
" Phila., Tabor Ch., Gleaners for the King.
" " Cohocksink Ch., The Crusaders.
" Mantua Ch., Bereans.
Maryland, Baltimore, 2d Ch., Willing Hearts.
Ohio, Cambridge, Noyes Bd.
Zanesville, 1st Ch., As Well As I Can.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Barrett, Miss E. R.	Rhoades, Mrs. Jane A.
Corbett, Mrs. S. B.	Walker, Mrs. A. L.
George, Mrs. Eliza.	White, Mrs. E. B.
Lundy, Mrs. A. D.	Winters, Mrs. David.
McElmoyle, Mrs. J.	Wilson, Miss Lottie.
Noble, Miss M. B.	Wright, Mrs. Libbie.
Orr, Mrs. C.	Young, Adelaide C.

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Correspondence with missionaries in China and Japan, Mrs. H. F. WAITE.

Correspondence with missionaries in Persia and with and concerning missionary candidates, Mrs. B. DOUGLASS.

Correspondence with missionaries in Mexico, South America, Syria, Siam, and among the North American Indians, Miss ANNA HOLT.

Correspondence concerning Special Objects, Mrs. N. W. CAMPBELL.

Correspondence with Auxiliaries and concerning Organization, Mrs. GEO. H. LAFIN and Mrs. N. B. PRATT.

Remittances of money to Mrs. C. B. FARWELL, Treasurer.

Subscriptions for WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN AND OUR MISSION FIELD should be sent direct to 23 Centre Street, New York.

All letters to be addressed to the Room. Meetings every Friday at 10 A. M. All persons interested in mission work are cordially invited.

WITH an order for collectors' envelopes comes a little word of recommendation for others to use them. The writer says: "Last year we used but 25 sets—this, I order 50. Our contributions have been very much larger this year than ever before, and it is the envelopes which have made them so. I am very sure if every Society would use them we would be able to raise a great deal more money. In this way we give by littles, and it can be done so much easier than by dollars by most of our ladies." "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him."

GATHERING UP THE MITE BOXES.

The President of one of our auxiliaries writes as follows: "We did not get them out until October, and then we were unable to find any who could or would canvass, so we betook ourselves to the prayer-meeting. One of our ladies explained the matter, asking every woman to take one and put in at least two cents a week. Two ladies stood at the door, one handing out boxes, the other taking names. Two weeks ago, on the usual prayer-meeting evening, we called the boxes in, due notice having been given beforehand. It would be unfair to our usual prayer-meeting to say that the room was full, for it always is that; but there were only two or three vacant chairs that night, and that on a night when the pastor was known to be absent. Although the meeting was in the hands of one of the

elders, the ladies provided all the entertainment, after the usual sort, papers, poems, etc., and the time was pleasantly and profitably spent. It seemed to me a very solemn meeting, and I saw tears in many eyes. During the opening hymn we passed the new boxes and took the names at the same time, thus keeping exact account of our contributors. I happened to hand the boxes in one aisle. A young woman sat near me, a clerk in a store. She shook her head, and I, knowing that—dollars a week would not do everything, did not urge her. After the meeting, she came up and said hastily: "Mrs.—, I have a box at home; here is the money that ought to have been in it, and there'll be some in next time."

"One person said to me: 'Oh, didn't you wish you could have your box back just one minute to add another mite?' We gave out about eighty boxes the first time. The result we think extremely good, considering that almost all the rich people declined 'with thanks.' Some 100 boxes are out now, and we hope to greatly exceed this gift."

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Alta, Iowa.
Hyde Park, Ill., Infant Class, "Busy Bees."
Le Mars, Iowa.
Marcus, Iowa.
Mt. Ayr, Iowa, Young Ladies' Mission Band.
Springfield, Ill., 2d Church, Memorial Band.
Warsaw, Ill., S. S. Mission Band.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Chain, Mrs J. A., Denver, Colorado.
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Foote, Mrs A. J., Denver, Colorado.
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NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Amphlett, Miss Cora, Detroit, Michigan.
Armitage, Mrs W. S., Detroit, Michigan.
Bacon, Mrs Daniel S., Tecumseh, Michigan.
Brown, Mrs Frank, Freeport, Illinois.
Chamberlain, Miss Lydia, Detroit, Michigan.
Cryer, Mrs S. S., Rock Island, Illinois.
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Foote, Miss Hattie, Milford, Michigan.
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Garvin, Miss Lila, Osaka, Japan.
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Hemenway, Mrs Estelle, Birmingham, Michigan.
Hunter, Mrs. R. V., Indianapolis, Indiana.
Kaylor, Sr., Mrs W. H., Indianapolis, Indiana.
La Due, Miss M. E., Detroit, Michigan.
McKibben, Mrs L. E. J., Detroit, Michigan.
McLauchlin, Mrs H., Detroit, Michigan.
Marsh, Mrs B. P., Bloomington, Illinois.
Meggenhoffin, Mrs. Mary, Franklin, Indiana.
Palmer, Miss Lillian M., Elkhart, Indiana.
Reuble, Miss Ella C., Detroit, Michigan.
Reuble, Miss Laura, Detroit, Michigan.
Ringland, Glennie, Keokuk, Iowa.
Underwood, Mrs I., Lena, Illinois.
Winter, Mrs Wm., Lena, Illinois.
Yaggy, Mrs L. W., Chicago, Illinois.

Meetings of the Board are held at the rooms, No. 20 North Washington Square, New York City, the third Monday of each month, at 2.30 P. M.

A prayer-meeting is held at the same place the first Wednesday of every month, commencing at 12 M. An attendance of all women interested in the cause of Foreign Missions is earnestly requested.

Meetings of the Executive Committee are held at the same place every Wednesday at 10.30 A. M.

WILL all our auxiliaries give special consideration to the appeals made through the columns of the several religious papers for reinforcements to our staff of missionaries, especially for a lady for Graham Seminary, and one to go to Miss Montgomery's help at Hamadan, Persia?

LET our thoughts and prayers follow Miss Cort, as, having sailed from San Francisco on the 24th ult., she is now on her way back to her post in Siam. May she live to count another and still another decade of earnest and successful work, such as the past.

MRS. REUTLINGER writes from Benita, January 26th, of the death of the wife of Itongolo, the native elder. She had lived with them at the station for five years, and was a constant support and reliance in the care of the children and in the women's meetings. "She had been fast gathering for the Heavenly Garner, but, ere we knew it, the Good Shepherd had gathered her home, and we were left alone. She, the busiest Kombe woman, is at rest, and enjoying her reward." The same letter adds a plea that any lady coming as missionary shall have some knowledge of nursing, dressing wounds, &c. In the Bolondo School thirty-one girls have come under instruction during the year. Two have united with the Church.

MISS WARD reports her arrival in Peking the last of October, and speaks of some duties with the girls which she can already take up, because they "need no tongue."

MISS LOWRIE sends the report of the Peking Girls' School, speaking of the fondness some of the girls show for music, and their perseverance in their studies. They are anticipating eagerly the new dormitories and recitation rooms. A touching description is also given of a concert and magic lantern exhibition in which the children took part. Christmas was greatly enjoyed, although the "boxes" did not arrive till the festival was over, so they contented them-

selves with Chinese presents, and *dolls about an inch long.*

MISS READE, Tokio, February 22d, writes that in the hospital in which she is engaged there were, at that time, fifty-five patients, most of them extremely poor. The Director-General of Medical Education is at the head of the institution, and, through his efforts, and those of influential Japanese ladies, money was raised for a Home for Nurses, of whom twenty are now in training. Miss Reade has the general superintendence of these, and thinks her lines have fallen in pleasant places. The would-be-nurses are received for two months on probation, but many do not continue longer because of the severity of the training.

A DELAYED letter from Miss Rose, dated Tokio, Dec. 22, tells of a new Sunday-school started, in which she is helped by girls from the Seminary. The first Sunday twenty gathered inside the room, and fifty waited outside. The second Sunday the attendance was more than double, with a motley crowd of men, women and children outside. Should the school prove a success, she hopes to start a day-school in the same place, and asked, in this case, for an organ. As this letter was read in our Executive Committee an organ was at once promised from the Utica Branch, whose President was present. Miss Rose alludes to the efforts the children make after harmony. "All the sounds of the human voice in Japan are pathetic," she writes,— "At night I hear the street criers, and from the depths of darkness they seem calling for light."

MRS. McLAREN's last letter from Petch-aburi, Siam, is given elsewhere in the magazine.

NEW AUXILIARIES.

Utica Branch.

Women's Home and Foreign Miss. Soc. of New York Mills.
Young Ladies' Missionary Society of Oriskany.

NEW BANDS.

Niagara Presb., Girls' Union Bd., 1st Ch. of Lockport, N. Y.
Boys' Mission Bd.,
Nassau Presb., Bellmore Aux., Queens Co., N. Y.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Mrs. Julia P. Weeks, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Mrs. George R. Conklin, Monroe, N. Y.
Mrs. A. W. Barber, Portage, N. Y., (by the Soc. of the 2d Ch. of Sparta).
Miss Mary Ludlum, Geneva, N. Y., (by Y. L. Soc. of 1st Ch., Geneva).
Miss Ella Wray, Rochester, N. Y., (by Jennie Lush Bd., of Central Ch., Rochester).

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Correspondence with missionaries in China, Guatemala, Siam and Indian Territory, Miss M. C. EDDY, Glenwood, Troy.

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Correspondence with Societies and Bands in Troy and Champlain Presbyteries, Mrs. G. H. PAGE, P. O. Drawer 1657, Cohoes.

DR. McDONALD and Miss Mary were to sail from Bangkok for this country in March, and are probably now on their way home.

LETTERS of interest have been received from Miss Jane Woodside, Futtehghurh, India, Mrs. J. C. Ballagh, Tokio, Japan, Miss Bird, Syria, Mrs. Ramsay, Seminole Indian Mission, Wewoka, I. T., Miss Hammond, Guatemala, and Mrs. H. V. Noyes, Canton, China. Miss Woodside is supported by the Second Presbyterian Church, Albany. She was formerly in charge of the orphanage at Rakha, but continued ill-health has rendered the responsibility of this position more than she could bear, and she has been relieved of it, and given school and zenana work in Futtehghurh, formerly done by Miss Seeley. She has the care of eleven heathen schools taught by heathen women, and also visited by a native Christian Bible-woman. She visits one school each day, and then as many zenanas as time will permit. She says: "I find the women very eager to learn to read, and as soon as they can do so, the New Testament is put into their hands."

Mrs. Ballagh writes to the Johnstown Society which had donated funds to be used in mission work. With these funds she is able to secure the services of a Christian girl, a pupil for seven years and a graduate of Graham Seminary, as interpreter. Her name is Ochiyo San. Mrs. Ballagh hopes that she will become so interested in the work while acting as interpreter for her, as to give herself to it permanently when Mrs. Ballagh is able to do without her services. The balance of the funds pays the salary of a native Bible-woman, "a dear, good, old woman," who cannot read herself, but goes from house to house, distributing tracts, conversing with the women, and urging them to attend the Bible-class and other services. She comes every Monday morning to report to Mrs. Ballagh, and has, during the past year, brought one hundred and fifteen women to the Bible-class. She also has a prayer-meeting for women at her

house every morning, which is well attended. Mrs. Ballagh speaks of the formation of the Home Missionary Society of Japan at the meeting of General Assembly, and says that quite a number of the Sabbath-schools which have been accustomed to have Christmas trees and receive presents from teachers and friends in America decided, this year, to make a Christmas offering instead, and donate the amount thus raised together with the expense of the trees and entertainments to the Home Mission Society.

Miss Hammond's letter is dated March 7th, and is addressed to the "Penny Gleaners," of Waterford. She speaks of the year of doubts, uncertainties and changes through which they have passed; severe frosts injuring the coffee plantations; earthquakes doing unusual damage, the village of Amatitlan, only forty miles distant, being nearly destroyed, and says: "How precious are the words of the Psalmist in such times of earthquakes and revolutions, 'For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.' We realize that we are in His hand."

Notwithstanding all these adverse circumstances, the school is nearly full, thirty-five or thirty-six pupils, with daily sessions from 9.30 A. M. to 2.30 P. M.

All these letters are interesting, and any society or band wishing copies can have them by applying to the Secretary under whose care these fields are given at the head of this page. We hope these applications will be numerous, as there is nothing like knowledge to stimulate our interest and effort. The heathen cannot believe on Him of whom they have not heard, neither can we "believe in Foreign Missions," if we know nothing about them. After our Annual Meeting we hope our Board of District Secretaries will be better organized, and will be able to send every month something of interest to every Society in their care.

NEW BANDS.

Lend A Hand Band, Rynex Corners.
Boys' Band, Cambridge.
Lilies of the Field, Beekmantown.
Mrs. Bidwell's Bd., Mooers.
Buds of Promise, Ninth Ch., Troy.
Young Ladies' Band, Woodside Ch., Troy.
Mrs. McCoy's Band, Woodside Ch., Troy.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS.

Mrs. T. C. Gifford.	Miss Maggie G. Hunt,
Mrs. Louis Priest,	Mrs. Joseph Potter,
Miss Lottie M. Hastings,	Miss Clara Gillies,
Miss Christine L. Allen,	Miss Nettie Baringer,
Miss Aggie Dawson,	Miss Mary Dennis,
Mrs. F. Fasset,	Miss Cornie Waldron.
Mrs. L. Johnson,	

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, from March 1, 1886!

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.]

BALTIMORE.—Aberdeen, 6.30; Ashland, 20; Baltimore, Aisquith St., 101.90; Boundary Ave., 95.45, India Chapter of S. S., 75; Broadway, 15; Brown Mem., 225, Mackenzie and Smith Bds., 40, Mrs. Gray's Class, 30, Handful of Corn, 30, Caramels, 5; Central, 200, S. S., 150, Dugdale Bd., 30, Seek and Save Bd., 50; Faith Ch., 12, Earnest Workers, 42, Daisy Chain Bd., 30, Band of Hope, 15, S. S., 7; 1st Ch., S. S., Senior Dept., 40, Junior Dept., 79.88; 2d Ch., 46.65, Earnest Workers, 10; 12th Ch., 60, Mrs. Wylie's Bible Class, 50, Band, 75; Lafayette Sq., 57.71, Earnest Workers, 44.58; Light St., add'l, 5.22; Madison St., 20; Westminster, 72.87, Y. L. Bd., 12.30; Bel Air, 15, Joy Bd., 30; Chestnut Grove, 60; Churchville, 40.80; Deer Creek Harmony, 12.30; Frederick, 9.30; Govane Chapel, 10; Hagerstown, 15; Hampden, 13; Piney Creek, 33.50; Williamsport, 20, 2, 012.76

BLAIRSVILLE.—Beulah, 22.25, Band, 14.60; Blairsville, Sem. Bd., 18.63, Children's Bd., 5.52; Braddock, 35; Cone-maugh, 39.75; Congruity, 6; Ebensburg, 25; Greensburg, 45, Foster Bd., 40; Harrison City, 5; Irwin, 7.90, McGogney Bd., 6.44; Johnstown, Y. L. C., 14; Latrobe, 36.50, Band of Hope, 30, Wayside Gatherers, 3; Ligonier, 10; Murrysville, 47; New Salem, Br. of Congruity, 11.26; Parnassus, S. S., 50; Poke Run, 7.28; Verona, 24.19, 504.32

CARLISLE.—Harrisburg, 1st, Mrs. S. J. M. McCarrell, 30.00
CHILLICOTHE.—Bloomberg, 10; Chillicothe, 1st, 84.40, Earnest Workers, 10; Chillicothe, 2d, 12.04; Concord, 5; Frankfort, 15; Greenfield, 40; Hamden, 11.50; Hillsboro', 43.50, Sycamore Bd., 5, Highland Institute Band, 1.25; Marshall, 1.30; Kingston, 11.25; North Fork, 8.91; Pisgah, 8; South Salem, 100; Washington, C. H., 24.80, Y. L. Bd., 2.93, Helping Hands, 10.25, 405.13

CLARION.—Beechwoods, 100, Pancoast Soc., 15; Brookville, 134.75, Y. L. Bd., 75, Happy Children, 37; Callensburg, 35; Clarion, Gleaners, 8.10; Emlenton, 21; Greenville, 25.50, Children's Bd., 5.50; Leatherwood, 9.70; New Bethlehem, 38.36, Band, 3.72, S. S., 9.69; Oak Grove, 39.59; Oil City, 2d, 5; Pisgah, 30; Perry, 15; Perryville, 6; Richland, 8.36; Troy, 4; West Millville, 10.10; Mary D. Stewart's Mite Box, 2, Left Hand, 20, 653.37

CLEVELAND.—Cleveland, 2d, 107.35, Mrs. E. G. Benedict, 300, Miss Haskell's class, 13, S. S., 210, 630.35

ELIZABETH.—Plainfield, Bd., 80; Roselle, S. S., 4, 84.00

HUNTINGDON.—Altoona, 1st, Little Workers, 7; Bald Eagle, 4.09; Bedford, 23; Bellefonte, add'l, 3.45, Beaver Bd., 1.30; Bethany, Stewart Bd., 25; Beulah, 10; Birmingham, Mt. Seminary Bd., 104; Clearfield, Bd., 12.25; Duncansville, 9.44, Bd., 7.70; Holidaysburg, Ch. Workers, 6, Hope Bd., 40, Willing Workers, 51, Y. L. Sem. Bd., 51.50; Houtzdale, 10; Huntingdon, 15.50, Y. L. Bd., 8; Lewistown, Busy Workers, 3.12; Logan's Valley, 11.50; Lower Spruce Creek, 43; Lower Tuscarora, 42; Middle Tuscarora, 60; Mt. Union, 38.90, Daisy Bd., 19.76; Penfield, 10, S. S., 3.50; Sinking Valley, 86.32, Gleaners, 88.80; Spruce Creek, 340.10, Colerain Forge S. S., 52.35; Tyrone, 50.25; Pres. Soc., 28.39, 1,267.42

KITTANNING.—Parker City, 30.00

LACKAWANNA.—Wilkesbarre, Chapel Bd., 40.00

LEHIGH.—Allentown, 71.80, Loring Circle, 16.05, Helpers, 45, Boys' Bd., 27.07; Ashland, 23, Spring Violets, 25.50; Audenreid, 12; Bangor, 12; Bethlehem, 25.30; Catsaqua, 1st, 23.86, Cheerful Givers, 30; Bridge St., Bd., 60.20; Easton, 1st, 35, Loring Bd., 60, Y. L. C., 20, Chain Dam Soc., 5, Keystone, 1; Easton, Brainerd, 72.20, Y. L. C., 5.12; East Stroudsburg, 5; Hazleton, 31.87, Y. L. C., 30, Mrs. Mary A. Pardee, 25; Hockendaqua, 18.50, S. S. and Cheerful Workers, 14; Mahanoy City, 18; Mauch Chunk, 50.19, Mrs. Polk, 20, Mrs. H. W. Cortright, 25, Little Workers, In Memoriam, 4.35, Nevius' Boys, 38.46, Ferrier Bd., 7.50; Middle Smithfield, 28.53; Mountain Ch., 15.46; Port Carbon, 9; Potts-

ville, 2d, 10, S. S., 10.33; Reading, 1st, 56.60, Sparkling Gems, 50; Washington St., 7; Shawnee, 10, Sunrise Bd., 4; Stroudsburg, 42.19; South Easton, 8, Loring Bd., 9, Hillside Bd., 5; Summit Hill, 10, Rev. J. White Bd., 8; Tamaqua, 10.04; Upper Lehigh, 53; White Haven, 19.70; Pres. Soc., 1,285.82

MAHONING.—Alliance, 14.72; Beloit, 6.40; Brookfield, 13, S. S., 2; Champion, 10.68; Clarkson, 16.70; Ellsworth, 52.50; Massillon, 32.45, Blue Ribbon Bd., 6.19; Middle Sandy, 36.25; Mineral Ridge, 12; New Lisbon, 47, Y. L. B., 41.04, Gleaners, 25; Niles, 12; North Benton, 25, Y. L. B., 36; Poland, 24.50, Y. L. B., 25, Ch. Workers, 5.44; Salem, 45.80, Amaranth Band, 2; Vienna, 6; Warren, 102.27; Youngstown, 90.47, 690.41

MONMOUTH.—Beverly, S. S., 33.22; Burlington, Busy Bees, 21.08; Cranbury, 2d, 21.50, 75.80

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Boonton, 59.15; Chatham, 73; East Orange, Y. L. Soc., 60, Willing Workers, 20, Elmwood Bd., 10; Madison, 100, Y. L. Soc., 75.23, Busy Bees, 9.05; Mendham, 36.06; Orange, 1st, 125; Rockaway, 30; South Orange, 50; Summit, 31.40, 668.89

NEWARK.—Bloomfield, 1st, 116.25; Westminster, 112.50, Boys' Bd., 15; Caldwell, 86; Hanover, 75; Newark, 3d, 142.86; 6th, S. S., 30, Butler Bd., 10.94; Central, 50; High St., 38.50, S. S., 50, Fannie Meeker Bd., 15; Park, 180; Roseville, 155; South Park, 240.62; Wickliffe, 36, 1,353.67

NEW CASTLE.—Buckingham, 16; Chesapeake City, 50; Cool Spring, 9; Dover, 1, Ch. Workers, 7; Elkton, 38; Federalburg, 9.60; Forest, 10.85, Memorial, 12, Y. L. Bd., 50; Glasgow, 18.50; Head of Christiana, Mrs. Cunningham, dec'd, 5; Lewes, 5; Manokin, 22, Bd., 17.90; Newark, 30; Pitts Creek, 2.15, Pokomoke Bd., 3.40; Port Penn, 5.65, Willing Workers, 8.11; Rehoboth, Del., 32; Rehoboth, Md., 17.10; St. George's S. S., 25; Smyrna, 8; Westminster, 40; West Nottingham, 100; Wicomico, 34; Wilmington, Central, Y. P. Bd., 250, Bd., 40; Hanover St., 73.65; Olivet, 10; West Ch., 103, Happy Workers, 15; Zion, 43.60, 1,102.51

NEWTON.—Phillipsburg, 140.00

NORTH PACIFIC BRANCH.—Seattle, 15.00

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Bald Eagle & Nittany, 12.50; Bloomsburg, 125.50, Neal Bd., 25, Four O'clock Bd., 20; Buffalo, X Roads, 18; Buffalo, Mifflinburg Ch., 13.80; Danville, Grove Ch., 38.34; Mahoning Ch., 25.45, S. S., 61.47, Willing Workers, 3.63; Elliott Soc., 35.50, Little Workers, 4, Busy Bees, 15; Hartleton, 12; Jersey Shore, 57, S. S., 24.68; Lewisburg, 40.70, Snowflake Bd., 4.78; Linden, 5.80; Lock Haven, 17.29; Lycoming, 31.10; Mifflinburg, 22.65, Reardon Bd., 5.64; Milton, 62.20, Y. L. Bd., 9.80, Ruby Blessing Bd., 12; Montoursville, 11.42; Muncy, 47.70; Northumberland, 27.07, Beatrice Bd., 26.62; Orangetown, 7; Shamokin, 32.30; Sunbury, 14.60, Dew Drop Bd., 20.75; Washington, 57, Y. L. Bd., 30.38, Band, 3.51; Washingtonville and Derry, 50; Williamsport, 1st, 41.50, Curtis Hepburn Bd., 123.50; Williamsport, 2d, 190, Loring Bd., 50; Williamsport, 3d, Y. L. Bd., 36; Miscellaneous, 2.15, 1,475.17

OCCIDENTAL BOARD.—Berkeley, 14; East Oakland, 14.75, S. S., 14.75, Sailor Bd., 2.50; West Berkeley, Star Bd., 2.80, 48.80

PHILADELPHIA.—Bethany, 176.92, Mrs. Wanamaker's Bd., 40, S. S., 107, Phillipian Bd., 25; Calvary, 171.25, Humphrey Bd., 50; Chambers Ch., 200; Clinton St., Immanuel, 88; 1st Ch., 374; Holland Mem., 60; Lombard St., Central, S. S., 8; Old Pine St., May Blossoms, 15; 2d Ch., Star of the East Bd., 25; South Ch., 25, Earnest Workers, 60; Southwestern, Irwin P. McCurdy Bd., 50; Tabernacle, 200, Y. L. Bd., 140, Mrs. Walter Lowrie, 50; Tabor, 11; 10th Church, 102.25, Miss Dillaye, 120, Y. L. Bd., 31.32, Y. M. Bd., 5.75; Union Ch., 30; Walnut St., 509, S. S., 100, Margaretta Dun-

ton Bd., 10, Rebecca Paul Dana Bd., 23.10, Ready Helpers, 3.16; Westminster Ch., 120; W. Spruce St., add., 12.34, M. B. K., 25; Woodland Ch., 228; Wylie Mem. Ch., 60; Hope Ch'l, Little Preachers, 3; Mrs. W. E. Schenck, 100, 3,359.09

PHILADELPHIA NORTH—Huntingdon Valley, 20.10, Y. L. Bd., 4.50; Pottstown, Band of Faith, 22.50; Providence, 24.55, 71.65

PIITTSBURG AND ALLEGHENY COM.—Allegheny, 1st, 105; Allegheny, 2d, 48.25; Central, 105.50, Y. L. Soc., 50; Mc Clure Ave., 87.53, Y. L. Soc., 30; North Ch., 201.46, Hodge Bd., 100, Louise Bd., 60; 1st, German, Y. L. Soc., 6; Beaver, 58.85, Y. L. Bd., 40, Sunbeam Circle, 32.05; Bellevue, 15; Bethel, 101.60; Canonsburg, 38, Y. L. Bd., 19, May Flower Band, 16.35; Emsworth, 37.50, Y. L. Band, 14.25, Little Branches, 30, Boys' Bd., 5; Evans City, 12; Freedom, S. S., 2; Hebron, 6.50; Hilland, 50; Homestead, 20; Industry, 10; Leetsdale, 45; Millvale, 83.53; Monongahela City, 35; Mansfield, 71, Y. L. Bible Class, 4.50; Mt. Pisgah, 25, Willing Workers, 6; Pittsburg, 1st, 523.03, Scovel Bd., 40; 2d Ch., 200, Adelaide Howard Bd., 115, McKibbin Boys, 20; 3d Ch., 527; 4th Ch., 22.50; 6th Ch., 200; 7th Ch., 6; 39th St., McConnell Bd., 20; 43d St., 64.15, Girls' Bd., 8; Bellefield Ch., 310.25; Central, Y. L. Bd., 25.31; East Liberty, 57, Y. L. Bd., 15, Buds of Promise, 134; Park Ave., 63.84, Gleaners, 75; Lawrenceville, McConnell Bd., 6.74; Shady-side, 525, Busy Bees, 40, Nassau Bd., Fem. Col., 52; Racoon, 115.55; Rochester, S. S., 6.75, Stewart children, 5; Sewickley, 110; Sharpsburg, 80, Band, 17; Springdale, Y. L. Soc., 7, Johnny Potter Bd., 30; Swissvale, 100; Sharon, 29, Y. L. Bd., 35.10, Miss A. G. Miller, 5; Tarentum, 25; Wilksburg, 94.55, S. S., 25, 5,355.22

PORTSMOUTH.—Portsmouth, 1st, 28.44, Y. L. Soc., 5, Little Sowers, 10; 2d Ch., Busy Bees, 5; Ripley, 20, 68.44

ST. CLAIRSVILLE.—Bellaire, 1st, Buds of Promise, 4.00

SHEANGO.—Beaver Falls, 90.45, S. S., 60; Clarksville, 26.25; Enon, 42, Golden Sheaves, 2; Hermon, 23.30; Leesburg, 30; Mahoning, 9; Neshannock, 33.50; New Castle, 1st, 34.35, Mrs. Crawford's Box Workers, 21.50; New Castle, 2d, 10.47, S. S., 17; New Brighton, 34; Petersburg, 11; Rich Hill, 23.55, Band, 5.36; Sharon, 20, S. S., 33; Sharpsville, 13.50; Slippery Rock, 31.50; Unity, 62.20, Band, 40, Westfield, 50, Band, 31, 757.93

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest, to March 20th, 1886.

ALTON.—Alton, 6.90; Brighton, 9.25; Carlville, 33; Hillsboro, 12; Litchfield, 11.25; Bethel, 12.50; Waveland, 8, 97.90

BELLEFONTAINE—Belle Centre, 4.60; Buck Creek, 21; Crestline, 22.45; Forest, 10; Galion, 18.25; Huntsville, 8 15; Kenton, 23; Friends in Northwood, 5.40; Upper Sandusky, 8.31; Urbana, 50, 171.16

BLOOMINGTON.—Bement, 47.42, Y. P. C., 9.48, Sunbeams, 5.68; Bloomington, 1st, King's Builders, 4.31; 2d, 1.88, Helpful Hands, 18.50; Buckley, 60; Champaign, 45.25, Infant Class, 4; Chatsworth, 20.76; Heyworth, Literary Society, 5; Onarga, 25, Mrs. Peter Risser, memorial for Miss Bertha Gau, 25; Piper City, 63.20, Neely Bd., 38; Towanda, 7, 380.48

BOULDER.—Boulder, Y. L. S., 14.25; Greeley, 8.80, 23.05

CAIRO.—Cairo, 11.15, H. M., 11.15; Carmi, Band, 7.15; Du Quoin, 20; Flora, 6.35; Harrisburg, 12, Nasavvne, Edna Cole Bd., 20; Salem, 14, thank-off., 1; Tamaroa, 10, 112.80

CHICAGO.—Arlington Heights, 15.45; Austin, Buds of Promise, 14.22; Braidwood, Y. P. S., 3; Chicago, 1st, 70.50, Y. L. S., 500; 2d, 241.07, Y. L. S., 116.30; 3d, 198, Band, 5; 4th, 65, Mothers' Mite Society, 3.56, Y. L. S., 25; 6th, 95.19, Helping Hand Bd., 40.36; Jefferson Park, 100; Fullerton Ave., 130; Elwood, 7; Englewood, 57.45; Evanston, 213.58; Hyde Park, 204.80; Lake Forest, 128.50, Pr. off., 56.75, Y. P. S., 30.42, Pr. off., 8.04, Steady Streams, 38.50; Waukegan, 60.50; Wilmington, 25.85, 2,154.04

CHIPPewa.—Galesville, 12.00

SYRACUSE.—Syracuse, 4th Ch., 198.00

WASHINGTON CITY.—Darnestown, 15.50; Falls, 14; Hermon, 6; Hyattsville, 25; Manassas, 10.11, Band, 6.85; Vienna, 6.26; Washington, 1st, 28.50; 4th Ch., 36; Assembly, 43; Eastern, 2; Church of the Covenant, 161.70; Metropolitan, 16, Mateer Bd., 10; N. York Ave., 311.53, Youth's Soc., 100; North Ch., 17; Unity, 12.50; Western, 12.50, Earnest Workers, 25; Westminster, 13; West St., 15, 887.45

WELLSBORO—Beecher's Island, 8; Coudersport, 4.67; Elkland, 10; Farmington, 7.06; Mansfield, 17.67; Osceola, 6.33; Tioga, 5.20; Wellsboro, 7.07, 66.00

WEST JERSEY.—Camden, 1st, 20.27; Cape May, 20.35; Salem, 77, Gleaners, 45, 162.62

WEST VIRGINIA.—Sugar Grove, 14, Band, 1.65, 15.65

WOOSTER.—Apple Creek, 5; Ashland, Y. L. Band, 25, Band, 19.18; Bellevue, 17, Band, 10; Bethel, 2.35; Canal Fulton, 1.22; Congress, 30; Creston, 10.35; Dalton, 25; Fredericksburg, 20; Hayesville, 40, Y. P. Bd., 40; Hope-well, Holcomb Bd., 22; Jackson, 25; Lexington, 34.62; Mansfield, 60, Willing Workers, 30; Orange, 12.51; Orrville, 14.60; Perrysville, 6, Band, 7; Plymouth, 20, Y. L. Bd., 15, Children's Bd., 3; Savannah, 26, Y. L. Bd., 30; Wayne, 12.45; W. Salem, 18.60, Band, 40 cts.; Wooster, 1st, 65, Y. L. Soc., 30, Band, 11.20; Westminster, 135.85, Y. L. Bd., 43, Boys' Band, 30, Coan Bd., 15.42, 912.75

ZANESVILLE.—Granville, Fem. Col. Bd., 30.00

MISCELLANEOUS.—Concord, N. C., Scotia Sem. Bd., 11.23, Little Ants, 2; Crescent City, Fla., Ladies' Soc., 7.40; Foxburg, Pa., Band, 8; Kingston, Pa., Mrs. H. H. Welles, 25; New Brighton, Pa., Mrs. M. E. Palmer, 12; Newark, N. J., Mrs. M. L. Grannis, 65 cts.; Phila., G. N., 5; Quick's Bend, Pa., S. S., 2.25; Sugar Run, Pa., 3; Interest on Ground Rent, 312.50, 339.03

Total for March, 1886, 24,801.25

Total from May 1, 1885, \$75,441.67

The Young Ladies' Circle, Poland, O., has sent a box to Wewoka School, value \$32.07.

Mrs. JULIA M. FISHBURN, Treas.

April 1, 1886.

1334 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.

HASTINGS.—Ayr, 2; Edgar, 2.90; Elkton, 4.37; Hastings, 28.79
 14.20, Cheerful Workers, 5.32.
 HURON.—Bloomville, 19.62; Fostoria, 30; Fremont, 33;
 Elmore, 15.35; Norwalk, 18; Peru, 11; Sandusky, 15,
 Y. L. S., 9, 150.97
 INDIANAPOLIS.—Columbus, 21.80, Shining Lights, 8.50;
 Franklin, 75; Greencastle, 15; Greenwood, 15; Indian-
 apolis, 2d, 74; 6th, 5; 7th, 29.32, S. S., 25, Y. L. S., 25;
 Whiteland, 2, 295.62
 IOWA.—Keokuk, Willing Workers, 10, Mrs. Dr. Ringland,
 25; Kossuth, 50; Mt. Pleasant, 25; New London, 6.60,
 116.60
 LANSING.—Lansing, 1st, 8.08
 LAKE SUPERIOR.—Marinette, Willing Workers, 50.00
 LIMA.—Delphos, 19.04; Hardin, 10, 29.04
 MANKATO.—Amboy, 9; Blue Earth City, 35; Kasota, 5;
 Mankato, 50; St. Peter, 3, Mrs. J. P. Ray, 10; Tracy, 8;
 Wells, 5, 125.00
 MADISON.—Baraboo, 10.75; Beloit, 10.50, S. S., 20; Janes-
 ville, 13.90, Y. L. S., 25; Kilbourn, 15; Lima, 15; Lodi, 29;
 Madison, 16; Portage, 5; Poynette, 6.25, 166.40
 MILWAUKEE.—Beaver Dam, 21; Milwaukee, Calvary Ch.,
 75; Immanuel Ch., 175; Ottawa, 5.05, Mrs. Stewart, thank-
 off., 2.50; Racine, Y. L. S., 51; Somers, 9; Waukesha, 22.40,
 360.95
 MONTANA.—Bozeman, 25.50; Deer Lodge, 7; Dilworth,
 Mrs. J. R. D., 5; Helena, 39.20; Miles City, 118.95, 195.65
 MONROE.—Adrian, Y. L. S., 20; Monroe, 16, Y. L. S., 17.50;
 Tecumseh, 32.77, Y. L. S., 20, S. S., 50, 156.27
 MUNCIE.—Hartford City, 15; Muncie, 22.75, S. S., 2.25;
 Wabash, 35.60, 75.60
 OTTAWA.—Aurora, 11.50; Mendota, 23, S. S., 25, 59.50
 RED RIVER.—Warren, 3, Busy Bees, 8.52, S. S., 4.16, 15.68
 ROCK RIVER.—Aledo, 25; Alexis, 12.75; Dixon, 13.62;
 Morrison, 5, S. S., 20; Newton Ch., 9; Rock Island, Central
 Ch., 21.50, Band, 28.35; Sterling, 12.50, 147.72
 ST. PAUL.—Hastings, 2.50, S. S., 5, Volunteer Band, 25,
 Sowers of Good Seed, 12.50; Minneapolis, Westminster Ch.,

193.89, Pearl Gatherers, 5, Daughters of the King, 4.25; 1st,
 25; Bethlehem Ch., 26, Van Cleve Bd., 10.65; 5th, 3; Frank-
 lin Ave. Ch., 12; Highland Park Ch., 21.50; St. Cloud, 9,
 S. S., 25; St. Paul, Dayton Ave. Ch., 100; Westminster Ch.,
 10.50; Central Ch., 52.27, Y. L. S., 47.84, S. S., 50, Little
 Flock, 21.06; 1st, Wayside Gleaners, 25; House of Hope
 Ch., 43.84, Y. L. S., 20.17; Red Wing, 32, S. S., 50, 832.97
 SCHUYLER.—Warsaw, S. S. M. S., 15.00
 SOUTHERN DAKOTA.—Parker, 7.00
 SPRINGFIELD.—Bates, 37.50, Band, 9; Jacksonville, Miss
 M. E. Catlin, 5; State St. Ch., 74.42, Y. L., 25; Westminster
 Ch., 14.40; 1st, Portuguese, 50; Lincoln, 13.05; Mason City,
 Bd., 51.73; North Sangamon, 48.95; Pisgah, 10; Pleasant
 Plains, 20; Petersburg, 10.23; Springfield, 1st, 118, Y. L. S.,
 120, S. S., 79.16, Busy Bees, 40; 2d, 35, Pr. off., 50, Y. L. S.,
 36.72, Pr. off., 58.04, Rays of Light, 20.44, Memorial Band,
 4.56; Portuguese Ch., Y. L. S., 15; Virginia, 5, Pr. off.,
 153; Unity Ch., 5.40, 1,109.60
 WINNEBAGO.—Auburndale, 13.36; Omro, 6.50, Willing
 Workers, 7.25, 27.11
 MEMORIAL.—Sale of Titus Coan Memorial, 1.00
 MISCELLANEOUS.—Societies: Mendota, Ill., 2; Lincoln, 1;
 Springfield, 1st, 1; 2d, 1; Virginia, 1; Buck Creek, O., 10c.;
 Crestline, 1; Elkhart, Ind., 1.10; Ft. Wayne, 1.10; 2d,
 1.10; 3d, 10c.; Goshen, 1.10; Huntington, 1.10; Kendallville,
 10c.; (12.80 for pub. Annual Report and Letter; by sale of
 leaflets, 57.96, 70.76
 Total for month, 10,246.03
 Previously acknowledged, 36,220.17
 From April 20th, 1885, \$46,466.20

The Jamestown Aux. of Fargo Presbytery have sent a
 box to Poplar Creek, M. T., valued at \$61.70, of which \$10
 worth was from the S. S.

Mrs. C. B. FARWELL, *Treas.*
 Room 48, McCormick Block.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 20th, 1886.

*Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church,
 from March 1st to April 1st, 1886.*

BINGHAMTON.—Bainbridge, 36.50; Binghamton, 1st Ch.,
 150.59, Guards of Honor Bd., 10; North Ch., 25; West Ch.,
 25; Cortland, 39.61, Busy Workers Bd., 35, Young Men's
 Bd., 15; Coventry, 20; McGrawville, 40; Nineval, 45;
 Owego, 65; Smithville Flats, 27.78; Waverly 19.62; Wind-
 sor, 20.60, 574.70
 BOSTON.—Boston, Pres. Soc., 13.57; Columbus Ave. Ch.,
 14, Y. L. Soc., 16, Greene Bd., 14; South Boston, 10, 67.57
 BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Classon Ave. Ch., 70.84; Durycia
 Chapel Bd., 35; 1st Ch., E. D., 23.67; 1st Ch., Henry St.,
 365.62; Franklin Ave. Ch., 57.48; Greene Ave. Ch., 18.29;
 Greenpoint Ch., 69.45; Hopkins St. Ch., 11.99; Lafayette
 Ave. Ch., 196; Memorial Ch., 62.16, S. S., 56.20, Willing
 Workers Bd., 11.50, Y. L. Bd., 15; Ross St. Ch., 29.15;
 2d Ch., 97.03, Y. L. Bd., 10; South 3d St. Ch., 65.48; Throop
 Ave. Ch., 193.23; Trinity Ch., 35.68; Westminster Church,
 48.30; Staten Island, Stapleton Ch., 25; W. New Brighton,
 Calvary Ch., S. S., 25; Pres. Soc., 100, 1,626.88
 BUFFALO.—Buffalo, Calvary Ch., 111.94, Bd., 10; Central
 Ch., 90; East Ch., 21; 1st Ch., 190; Lafayette St. Ch., 15;
 North Ch., 77.97, Y. L. Bd., 10; Westminster Ch., 87.94; West
 Side Ch., 12.75; East Aurora, 7; Fredonia, 50, Infant Cl., 16;
 Jamestown, 15; Sherman, 18.34, 1st Ch., Busy Bees, 4.75;
 Silver Creek, 9; Springville, 11.50, 778.19
 CAYUGA.—Auburn, Calvary Ch., 10.50; Central Church,
 64.10; 1st Ch., Y. P. Soc., 60; 2d Ch., 2.04, Girls' Soc., 65;
 Cayuga, 14; Fair Haven, 8; Five Corners, 10, Y. P. Soc.,
 10; Ithaca, 1st Ch., 75.74; King's Messengers, 9.51; Kings
 Ferry, 9; Meridian, 31.87; Sennet, 29.70; Union Springs,
 25; Weedsport, 32.25, 456.71
 CHEMUNG.—Big Flats, 12.50; Burdett, 19.32; Dundee,

15.20; Elmira, 1st Ch., 64; Lake St. Ch., 70; Havana, 8;
 Hector, 10; Horseheads, 29.45, Pleiades, Bd., 21.04; Meck-
 lenburg, 16.50; Monterey, 10; Morehead, 4.50; Newfield,
 10; Southport, 20, Sugar Hill, 2; S. S., 30 cts.; Watkins,
 52, S. S., Earnest Workers, 25, 390.31
 GENESEE.—Attica, 40; Bergen, 31.81, Busy Bees Bd., 40;
 Byron, 33; Batavia, 135.19, S. S. Bd., 40; Corfu, 15.75, Y.
 L. Bd., 5; Castile, 25.06; East Pembroke, 7; Elba, 38; Le
 Roy, 100, Band, 11.63; North Bergen, 43.33, S. S., 4.80;
 Oakfield, 12.75; Pike, 10; Stowe, 30; Tonawanda Valley
 Ch., 12; Warsaw, 110.13, Y. L. Bd., 22.06, Mizpah Band,
 25.81; Wyoming, 38, 831.37
 GENESEE VALLEY.—Franklinville, 6; Olean, 10.60, Do
 Good Bd., 7.50; Portville, 50, 74.10
 GENEVA.—Bellona, 8; Canandaigua, 30; Geneva, 50; 1st
 Ch., Y. L. Soc., 33.50; North Ch., Y. L. Soc., 20; Oaks
 Corners, 16, Happy Helpers' Bd., 7.79; Penn Yan, 42, Y.
 L., 44; Phelps, 40 cts.; Seneca, 9.60, Cheerful Workers,
 59.40; Seneca Falls, 50; Trumansburg, 30; Waterloo, 15,
 Warner Soc., 18; West Fayette, 5.24, Garden Bd., 12.67,
 Romulus, 54.58, 506.18
 HUDSON.—Chester, 42.77; Cohocton, Willing Workers'
 Band, 17; Florida, 1st Ch., Band, 48.44; 2d Ch., Band, 10;
 Goshen, 50, Boys' Bd., 25, Ready Workers' Bd., 18; Haver-
 straw, Central Ch., 75; Middletown, 1st Ch., 101; Mount
 Hope, 15; Nyack, 27.50, Newton Bd., 20; Ramapo, 32.60;
 Scotchtown, 25.50; South Centreville, 10; Washingtonville,
 1st Ch., Loring B., 9; Westtown, 35; Hopewell, 27.40, 583.21
 LONG ISLAND.—Amagansett, 13.20; Bridgehampton, 9.22;
 Franklinville, 9.50; Greenport, 20; Mattituck, 7.50; Middle-
 town, 18.81; Moriches, 5; Quogue, 14.58; Sag Harbor, 18;

TREASURERS' REPORTS.

Setauket, 6.50; Southold, 20; Water Mills, 18.79; Yaphank, 6; Mrs. Bainbridge's Coll., 3.29, 170.39
 LYONS.—Clyde, 18.58; East Palmyra, Gleaners' Bd., 30; Lyons, Y. L. Soc., 30; Newark, 48, Guild, 34, Cameron Bd., 25; Palmyra, 13.50, Little Gleaners' Bd., 10, Mission Band, 10.50; Red Creek, 8.42; Sodus, 9.50; Wolcott, 15, 252.50
 NASSAU, L. I.—Freeport, 10; Hempstead, 14; Huntington, 1st Ch., 50, Miss. Bd., 30; Islip, 5; Jamaica, 23.22; Newtown, 6; Northport, 10; Roslyn, 3; Springfield, 10; Mrs. Bainbridge's Coll., 10, 171.22
 NEW YORK.—Brick Ch., 54; Ch. of the Covenant, 1,000, Y. P. Soc., 75; Church of the Puritans, Y. P. Soc., 125; Covenant Chapel, 25.40; 80th St. Ch., 30; 5th Ave. Church, 930, Y. L. Soc., 280; 4th Ave. Ch., 171.51; 14th St. Ch., 10; Harlem Pres. Ch., 50; Inwood, on Hudson, 25; Madison Sq. Ch., 424; Memorial Ch., 77; North Ch., Bible Class, 30; Scotch Ch., 500, Y. L. Soc., 50; 13th St. Ch., 75, King's Daughters, 20; University Pl. Ch., 700, Light Bearers, 19, Bethlehem Bd., 5.20; West Ch., 406.05; Westminster Ch., 40, Mission Bd., 100; Miscellaneous, 24.42, 5,246.58
 NIAGARA.—Albion, 107.09; Holley, 23; Lewiston, 3.50
 Lockport, 2d Ward Ch., 4; 1st Ch., 44.16; Medina, 39, S. S., 16, Miss. Bd., 20; Somerset, 7, 263.75
 NORTH RIVER.—Amenia, 20; Canterbury Ch., 3; Cornwall-on-Hudson, 54.35; Highland, 4.40; Highland Falls, 3.20, Bainbridge Bd., 15; Newburgh, Calvary Ch., S. S., 15; 1st Ch., 24.50, Morning Star Bd., 25; Union Ch., 80; New Hamburg, 14; Pine Plains, 17; Pleasant Plains, 16.40; Rondout, 58, Hearts and Hands for Jesus Bd., 5; Shebomeka, 10.50, S. S., 5.58, 370.93
 ORSEGO.—Cherry Valley, 12.50; Delhi, 1st Ch., 28.21; 2d Ch., 19.20; Downsville, 5.37; Hobart, 27; Middlefield Centre, 3.25; New Berlin, 8.48; Stamford, 21; Unadilla, 10; Worcester, 19, 154.01
 ROCHESTER.—Avon, Central Ch., 5; Brockport, 72.50; Brighton, 26.54; Caledonia, 41.60, Cbeerful Workers' Bd., 35; Fcwlerville, 21; Geneseo, 30, Band, 30, Systematic Givers, 20, Y. L. Soc., 75; Honeoye Falls, 7; Livonia, 25.50; Lima, 25, Y. P. Soc., 10; Mt. Morris, 15, Y. L. Soc., 25, Cypress Bd., 12; Nunda, 10; Ogen, 72, Ellinwood Bd., 30; Pittsford, 25; Rochester, Brick Ch., 85, special, 100; Central Ch., 82, Do What You Can Bd., 23.70, Jennie Lush Bd., 75; Calvary Ch., 41; 1st Ch., 30, S. S., 335, Miss. Bd., 25, Y. L. Soc., 25; Memorial Ch., 27.34, Orient Band, 5; St. Peter's Ch., Emliy Chumaseo Bd., 10; Westminster Ch., 36; Scottsville, 22.45; Sparta, 40, 2d Ch., 7.75; Sweden, 25; Victor, 41; Webster, 5, 1,654.48
 STEUBEN.—Addison, 17, Band, 13.50; Arkport, 10; Bath, 45, Miss. Bd., 50; Canisteo, 8; Cobocton, 6.88, S. S., 11.12; Campbell, 35; Corning, Busy Bees Bd., 13; Hammondsport, 26; Hornellsville, 100; Howard, 9.50, Bd., 5; Jasper, 14; Painted Post, 20; Prattsburgh, 26.50; Pultney, 7, Bd., 8, 425.50

ST. LAWRENCE.—Brownville, 12.50; Canton, 25; Carthage, 6; Gouverneur, 18; Hammond, 50; Morristown, 19; Ogdensburg, 6; Oswegatchie, 1st Ch., 224.26; 2d Ch., 14.26; Oxbow, 42; Potsdam, 7; Sackets Harbor, 20; Watertown, 150, Stone St. Ch., 5, S. S., 5, Y. L. Soc., 5, 603.02
 SYRACUSE.—Baldwinsville, 37.38; 1st Ch., Y. L. Soc., 10; Fayetteville, 32.25; Fulton, 40; Jordan, 6; Marcellus, 29.30, Children's Soc., 25; Mexico, 12.75; Syracuse, 4th Ch., 50, Standard Bearers, 67.39; East Syracuse, Happy Gleaners' Bd., 10, 320.07
 UTICA.—Augusta, 7, S. S., 4; Boonville, 25; Camden, 10; Clinton, 25, Houghton Sem., 25, S. S., 60, Miss. Bd., 30; Iliou, 5.75; Knoxboro', 38.39; New York Mills, Faithful Workers, 15; Martinsburg, 5; Rome, 25; Turin, 15; Utica, Bethany Ch., 60, special, 35, Willing Workers, 25; 1st Ch., 200, S. S., 25; Memorial Ch., 10, special, 20, S. S., 50; Westminster Ch., 40, S. S., 50, Brown Bd., 45, Ready Helpers, 75; Waterville, 9; Westerville, 10, 944.14
 WESTCHESTER.—Brewster, 4.25; Bridgeport, 100; Dobbs Ferry, 55; Mabopac Falls, Minnie Hollister Bd., 10; New Rochelle, 40, Waller Bd., 85; Peekskill, 13, Helping Hand Bd., 25; Patterson, 12; Port Chester, 30; Rye, 221.12; Stamford, 250; Sing Sing, 23; Tbombsonville, Ct., 40; White Plains, 27; Yonkers, Westminster, Ch. 50; Yonkers, 1st Ch., 100, 1,095.37
 EBENEZER, Kv.—Covington, 1st, Sabbath Day Soc, 25; Dayton, 5; Flemingsburg, 12.75; Frankfort, 37.45; Greenup, 3; Lexington, 2d Ch., coll., 1.50; Mt. Sterling, 11.20; Paris, 22, S. S., 6.21; Coll. by Mrs. Bainbridge, 101.86, 225.97
 LOUISVILLE, Ky.—Hopkinsville, 8; Kuttawa, 5; Louisville, Central Ch., 30; College St. Ch., 25; Hancock St. Ch., 25; Olivet Ch., 13; Walnut St. Ch., 6.25; Pewee Valley, 25; Plum Creek, 4.50; Princeton, 10; Shelbyville, 18.60; Coll. by Mrs. Bainbridge, 85.30, 255.75
 PENNSYLVANIA.—Columbia, Ky., 8.50; Dansville, 100; Lebanon, 15; Coll. by Mrs. Bainbridge, 28.50, 152.00
 MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Morristown, N. J., South St. Ch., 150, Y. L. Soc., 100; Parsippany, 33, 283.00
 DAYTON, OHIO.—Oxford, Ohio, 50.00
 MISCELLANEOUS.—Clifton Springs, N. Y., 50; East Bloomfield, Hillside Family Bd., 7; Coll. by Mrs. Bainbridge, 74; Leaflets, 33.76; Mite Boxes, 1.97; miscellaneous, 139.78, 906.51
 Total, \$18,840.31
 Total Receipts from April 1st, 1885, \$43,656.73

Mrs. C. P. HARTT, *Treas.*,
 20 N. Washington Square, N. Y. City.
 Mrs. J. A. WELCH, *Ass't Treas.*,
 34 W. Seventeenth St., N. Y. City.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Southwest, from Feb. 27th to March 20th, 1886.

AUSTIN.—Austin, 1st, 21.35; Denison, 9.37. Golden Rule Bd., 2.60; Leonard, 1.90, 35.22
 EMPORIA.—Caraboo, 6; El Dorado, 37.90, Y. L. B., 10; Emporia, 1st and 2d, 10.50; Newton, 8.65; Peabody, 15.65, 88.70
 HIGHLAND.—Higbland, 10.60; Troy, 5, 15.60
 LARNED.—McPherson, Galva Soc., 2.50
 NEOSHO.—Independence, 51.00
 OSAGE.—Butler, 1st, 11.15, Steady Streams Bd., 8.63; Kansas City, 1st, 25; 2d, 168.55, Y. L. S., 48.38, S. S., 100; 3d, 2.85, Busy Bee Bd., 2.40; 4th, S. S., 8; 5th, 25; Brownington Ch., 1.50; Parkville, 6.78; Westfield, 11, 419.24
 PALMYRA.—Brookfield, 6.50
 PLATTE.—Maryville, 36; Nevada, 1.50; Oregon, 6; St. Joseph, Westminster Ch., 12.10; Pres. Ch., 1.78, 57.38
 St. Louis.—Bay, 7.50; Drake, Emmanuel Ch., 5; Kirk-

wood, 3.50; St. Charles, Y. L. S., Lindenwood Coll., 17.75; St. Louis, Mrs. E. P. Keach, 3; Memorial Tabernacle, 20; North Ch., 13, Band, 3; Webster Groves, 10, 82.75
 SOLOMON.—Bellville, 7; Hays City, 2.15; Mankato, 9; Minneapolis, 2.48; Solomon City, 15, 35.63
 TOPEKA.—Oskaloosa, 15; N. Topeka, 5; Topeka, Y. L. S., 25; Wyandotte, 1st, 10.10, 55.10
 Halstead, 12.45
 Total from Feb. 27th, \$862.07
 Previously acknowledged, 1,097.08
 Total from Oct. 20, 1885, \$1,959.15
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