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REPORT.

At a summer resort in a neighboring State, there is a refreshing spring of pure water, famous far and wide for its coldness and sweetness. If the traveller seeks it at high tide it is buried from sight by the incoming flood of salt sea water. But at low tide the fountain is revealed, clear, plentiful, satisfying. Night or day, ebb or flood, the current of living water flows freely, forevermore. What a forcible reminder of Paul's motto for Christian work, "In season, out of season," or of Solomon's sower, going forth betimes in the morning, and at evening withholding not his hand.

So must Christ's followers labor in every department of missions, remembering His last command and looking for ultimate success.

During the year that is past the calls for assistance in the grand field of Home Missions have become none the less urgent, but have gathered strength in view of the immeasurable needs of our country. As one has recently and forcibly said, "If we do not christianize the heathen who are fast increasing among us, they will barbarize us."

The needs of this work are no less and the resources of the workers increase. Shall we not then enlarge the

borders of our usefulness and our charity? Let us regard this word charity in its fullest sense of love, and realize that all that we have belongs unto our God, and an abundant measure of our substance should be devoted to carrying on the work of His kingdom.

We have cause for encouragement and gratitude at the results of the past year. The receipts were \$2,283.02, about five hundred dollars more than those of the eighth year; partly on account of larger contributions from the branches and partly by more income from the Memorial Fund. The interest in this Fund continues strong and abiding among the friends of our Society, and many have remembered it since our last report. Four hundred and ten dollars have been added, either in behalf of the donors, or for their valued friends. Some of them still labor among us and some have passed on before.

Five new societies, or old ones revived, have sent contributions this year, for which we are truly grateful, and hope that more will be formed another year. The banner society for this year is that connected with the First Parish Church of Dover, which has sent \$101.00. The society in Hooksett also made a large gain.

It is with an added sense of dignity that our Society sends forth its eighty-first annual report. In the list of Woman's State Home Missionary Organizations published each month in the Home Missionary, this Society belonging to our little State of New Hampshire stands at the head, as it was the first to be formed. Let us combine with our dignity a large measure of humility that in all these years we have not accomplished more when we compare the results with our opportunities.

The time has surely come when all the faithful should

lift up the standard of their Lord—not by might, nor by power, but by his Spirit, that they may overcome evil with good. Each one has a part in this work and by a simple, obedient faith we may hope for success in what we try to perform. When we are called to go forward in some specific duty it is idle for us to feel that some one else is meant; some one more gifted, more capable than we know ourselves to be. Samuel, when awakened by the divine voice, did not insist that his was a common name in Israel, and that some other one should answer but rose to do his Lord's bidding.

Beautiful mosaic pictures, enduring for ages, are made of tiny bits of colored glass or marble. The pieces are small and unattractive in appearance when examined by themselves, but when they are grouped they make an attractive picture giving pleasure to all who behold. So each of our branch societies has a part, though it be ever so small, in making up a grand picture, not to be destroyed at the end of time, for it is made for eternity. The great Artist will fit each piece of work into its own proper place and harmonize the whole.

We must continue to emphasize the importance of training the children to an interest in this cause. Upon them will by and by rest the responsibility of carrying on this work. How shall they be fitted for it unless they are taught to love it from their earliest years?

Let us now hopefully turn our attention to the prospect for another year. If we have made some progress, let us not rest satisfied but press forward with earnestness to greater results. Let us by all means study and pray for a growing interest, until we shall reach the desired average of one cent a week from every woman in

our churches. May the time come when those who can give much more shall delight in bestowing it. Then shall the waste places rejoice and the gospel message go forth with power in the land.

"Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

New Hampshire Home Missionary Society in account with Miss ANNIE A. McFARLAND, Treasurer of the New Hampshire Cent Institution, for the year ending August 15, 1886.

<i>Alton</i> —Mrs. L. S. Nute.....	\$5.00
<i>Amherst</i> —Miss Josie E. Stayner.....	23.36
<i>Andover Centre</i> —Miss Edna E. Scales.....	2.60
<i>East Andover</i> —Mrs. C. A. Moody.....	6.25
<i>Bedford</i> —.....	9.87
<i>Bristol</i> —Mrs. A. J. Crockett.....	7.66
<i>Brookline</i> —Mrs. F. A. Peterson.....	3.12
<i>Campton</i> —Mrs. J. B. Hadley.....	18.60
<i>Candia</i> —Mrs. A. E. Page, for 1885.....	7.00
“ “ “ “ 1886.....	8.18
<i>Centre Harbor</i> —Mrs. C. H. Weeks.....	12.00
<i>Chester</i> —Mrs. Harriette S. Noyes, for Mrs. Nancy A. West, L. M.....	30.00
<i>Chichester</i> —Miss Sarah Langmaid.....	9.37
<i>Claremont</i> —Miss C. F. Dickey, for 1885.....	10.00
“ “ “ “ 1886.....	10.25
<i>Concord</i> —North Church, Mrs. Mary C. Seavey.....	34.79
“ South Church, Mrs. R. P. Staniels.....	71.13
<i>West Concord</i> —Miss Mary C. Rowell, in full for Mrs. Joseph Eastman, L. M., and in part for Mrs. Augustine Carter.....	19.81
<i>Danbury</i> —Mrs. C. J. Jackson, in full for Mrs. Mary A. Crockett, L. M.....	10.31
<i>Deerfield</i> —Mrs. R. A. Wells, in part for Miss Laura A. Marston, L. M.....	10.11
<i>Derry</i> —Mrs. H. R. Underhill.....	31.22

<i>East Derry</i> —Mrs. George Pierce.....	\$27.00
<i>Dover</i> —First Parish Church, Miss Mary E. Stevens.....	101.00
<i>Enfield</i> —Miss N. M. Day.....	2.50
<i>Epping</i> —Miss M. E. Stearns, in full for Lena C. Thompson, L. M.....	9.22
<i>Epsom</i> —Mrs. J. H. Dolbeer.....	5.21
<i>Exeter</i> —Miss E. A. Chadwick, for Rev. George E. Street, L. M., and in part for Rev. Swift Byington.....	54.35
<i>Farmington</i> —Mrs. George N. Eastman.....	5.20
<i>Fitzwilliam</i> —Miss H. T. Carter.....	7.75
<i>Fracestown</i> —Miss Mary Pettee, for Mrs. Mary A. Lovejoy, L. M.....	37.00
<i>Franklin</i> —Mrs. Sarah A. Blodgett.....	8.00
<i>Gilmanton</i> —Mrs. S. S. N. Greeley.....	3.12
<i>Gilmanton Iron Works</i> —Mrs. Lyman White.....	5.00
<i>Gilsum</i> —Mrs. Matilda T. Rogers.....	4.16
<i>Goffstown</i> —Mrs. J. E. Odlin.....	30.00
<i>Goshen</i> —Mrs. Solon B. Willey.....	3.00
<i>Greenfield</i> —Mrs. S. H. Atherton.....	14.25
<i>Hampstead</i> —Mrs. A. K. Buckett.....	24.00
<i>Hampton Falls</i> —Mrs. Helen F. Batchelder, for 1885.....	8.00
“ “ “ “ “ 1886.....	7.00
<i>Hancock</i> —Mrs. D. F. Bigelow.....	10.00
<i>Hanover</i> —Miss Miriam E. Dimond.....	20.46
<i>Hanover Centre</i> —Miss S. W. Hurlbutt.....	6.74
<i>Haverhill</i> —Mrs. E. B. Pike.....	28.04
<i>Henniker</i> —Mrs. Mary D. Wallace.....	20.00
<i>Hillsborough Bridge</i> —Mrs. C. M. Burnham.....	19.00
<i>Hinsdale</i> —Mrs. H. McG. Hamilton.....	18.13
<i>Hollis</i> —Mrs. Laura G. Laird.....	19.13
<i>Hooksett</i> —Mrs. J. Gault, collector, Mrs. E. G. Green, treasurer.....	14.30
<i>Hopkinton</i> —Mrs. W. O. Palmer.....	8.40
<i>Jaffrey</i> —Mrs. N. P. Phelps.....	8.33
<i>Keene</i> —First Church, Miss Sarah E. Burgess.....	18.84
“ Second Church, Mrs. J. Page Whitcomb.....	40.00
<i>Kensington</i> —Miss Clara D. Titcomb, in part for Mrs. Jonathan Palmer, L. M.....	16.00
<i>Kingston and East Kingston</i> —Mrs H. T. Holmes.....	14.87
<i>Laconia</i> —Mrs. D. S. Dinsmoor.....	30.00
<i>Lebanon</i> —Mrs. W. S. Ela.....	31.74
<i>West Lebanon</i> —Mrs. C. H. Dana.....	25.20
<i>Litchfield</i> —Mrs. James McQuesten.....	10.00
<i>Littleton</i> —Mrs. J. C. Goodenough.....	11.50

<i>Lyme</i> —Mrs. Louisa T. Grant, for 1885.....	\$20.05
“ Mrs. E. P. Butler, for 1886.....	30.31
<i>Marlborough</i> —Mrs. H. N. Wiswall.....	17.00
<i>Mason</i> —Mrs. L. J. Goodwin.....	7.00
<i>Meredith Village</i> —Mrs. Ida M. Norris.....	9.20
<i>Merrimack</i> —Mrs. L. M. Chamberlin, for 1885.....	16.00
“ Mrs. S. L. McQuesten, for 1886.....	25.00
<i>South Merrimack</i> —Mrs. Stephen M. Sargent.....	6.00
<i>Milton</i> —Mrs. Frank Haley.....	8.32
<i>Nashua</i> —First Church.....	29.78
“ Pilgrim Church, Miss M. L. Andrews.....	40.00
<i>New Boston</i> —Mrs. Niel McLane.....	15.00
<i>Newcastle</i> —Miss F. A. Bowles.....	5.50
<i>Newington</i> —Miss Hattie A. Pickering.....	5.00
<i>Newport</i> —Mrs. George Harrington.....	19.89
<i>North Hampton</i> —Mrs. M. E. Philbrook, for Miss Dorothy G. Dearborn, L. M.....	30.00
<i>South Newmarket</i> —Mrs. Helen A. Rider.....	6.08
<i>Pelham</i> —Mrs. M. Jennie Moore.....	16.95
<i>Pembroke</i> —Mrs. Mary W. Thompson.....	9.88
<i>Penacook</i> —Mrs. M. A. W. Fiske.....	16.10
<i>Peterborough</i> —Mrs. A. B. Tarbell, for Mrs. Ephraim Holt, L. M.....	35.07
<i>Pittsfield</i> —Miss Hannah Edgerly.....	24.00
<i>Plainfield</i> —Mrs. E. P. Ward.....	6.00
<i>Plaistow and North Haverhill</i> —Mrs. Mary S. Kelley, in full for Mrs. George Putnam, L. M.....	22.36
<i>Plymouth</i> —Mrs. W. W. Russell.....	17.76
<i>Portsmouth</i> —Miss Mary E. Myers.....	27.00
<i>Reed's Ferry</i> —Mrs. M. J. Mears.....	2.00
<i>Rye</i> —Mrs. F. H. Boynton.....	11.39
<i>Salisbury</i> —Mrs. Nathaniel Sawyer.....	5.75
<i>Sanbornton</i> —Mrs. Fannie M. Runnels.....	20.00
<i>Sandwich</i> —Mrs. W. M. Weed.....	1.57
<i>Stoddard</i> —Mrs. J. P. Reed.....	1.04
<i>Stratham</i> —Miss Annie E. Wiggins.....	8.00
<i>Tamworth</i> —Mrs. Lucy W. Page.....	12.00
<i>Temple</i> —Mrs. R. R. Goodyear.....	2.10
<i>Wakefield</i> —Mrs. Samuel Yeaton.....	14.00
<i>Walpole</i> —Miss Anne L. Faulkner.....	15.00
<i>Warner</i> —Miss Rhoda B. Thompson.....	3.00
<i>Webster</i> —Miss Eveline Little.....	13.41
<i>Wentworth</i> —Mrs. G. S. Dean.....	9.50
<i>Wilmot</i> —Mrs. A. P. Stevens, in part for Mrs. James Stearns, L. M.....	10.25

<i>Wilton</i> —Miss Mary L. Bales, for 1885.....	7.80
“ “ “ “ 1886.....	11.86
<i>Wolfeborough</i> —Mrs. P. C. Rust, in part for Mrs. Sarah Clark, L. M.....	14.03
Income of Memorial Fund.....	588.00
	\$2,283.02

Paid HON. LYMAN D. STEVENS, Treasurer of the
New Hampshire Home Missionary Society.....\$2,283.02

NOTE. Treasurers will please bear in mind that the year closes on the
fifteenth of August, and contributions must be sent in before that time.

MEMORIAL FUND.

Designed to perpetuate the memory of the Founder of the
New Hampshire Cent Institution, MRS. ELIZABETH MCFAR-
LAND, created by the payment of ten dollars for each name, the
interest of which is to be paid annually to the New Hampshire
Home Missionary Society in aid of feeble churches.

Names added during the year ending August 15, 1886 :

- Amherst*—Mrs. Abby L. (Kingsbury) Kerr, of Canton, China,
by her sister, Mrs. E. J. K. Donnelle.
“ Miss Susan Claggett, by her niece, Miss Elizabeth G.
Lawrence.
“ Mrs. John Peabody, by Miss Lydia E. Peabody.
Campton—Mrs. Samantha C. Dole, by her husband.
“ Mrs. Selden C. Willey, by her daughter, Mrs. Esther
E. Hart.
Chester—Mrs. Fanny Sanborn.
“ Miss Sarah Maria Sanborn.
“ Miss Frances Olive Sanborn, by legacy of Mrs. Fanny
Sanborn.
Concord—Mrs. Olive Wallace Gerald, of Webster, by her
daughter, Mrs. C. S. Danforth.
“ Mrs. Cyrus W. Paige.
“ Mrs. William F. Thayer, by Mrs. Calvin Thayer.
East Derry—Mrs. N. Choate, by her daughter.
Enfield—Isaac C. Sargent and Mrs. Lydia C. Sargent, by their
daughter.
Exeter—Mrs. Samuel Hall.
Francetown—Miss Susan Maria Bryant, by her mother, Mrs.
Susan Bryant.
Gilsum—Miss Nancy Houston, by her niece, Mrs. Emily Z.
Mark.
Goffstown—Mrs. Elizabeth B. Pulsifer.
“ Mrs. Lizzie A. Hadley, by her husband.

Greenfield—Mrs. Martha J. Gould.

“ Dea. Jacob Gould, by his wife.

Hanover Centre—Mrs. Melissa Bradbury, by her husband, Mr. Roswell Bradbury.

Henniker—Mr. Joshua Darling, by his daughter.

Keene—Mrs. Selah H. Lovejoy, by her daughter.

Londonderry—Mrs. Judith N. Holmes, by her daughters.

“ Mrs. Jane Anderson Holmes, by her granddaughter, Sarah J. Upton.

Mason—Mrs. Ella M. Wilson, by her aunt, Miss Eveline Whitaker.

Nashua—Mrs. Caroline E. Emerson, by her daughter, Miss Helen Wallace.

North Hampton—Mrs. Sarah L. Drake.

Pelham—William Wyman, by Mrs. E. W. Tyler.

Penacook—Mrs. Nehemiah Butler, by her sons.

Walpole—Mrs. Mary H. Buffum.

“ Miss Ann R. Buffum, by her mother.

Warner—Dea. Nehemiah Heath, Dea. David Heath, Dea. Frederick Eaton, Mrs. Abiah G. H. Eaton, Miss Miriam S. Heath, by Mrs. Abiah G. H. Eaton.

Wilton—Mrs. Mary C. Pettengill.

Windham—Miss Achsah Hemphill.

Wolfeborough—Mrs. Cordelia B. Clark, by her husband, Rev. Sumner Clark.

Constitution for a Female Cent Society.

1. This Society shall be called the FEMALE CENT SOCIETY of constituting a branch of the NEW HAMPSHIRE FEMALE CENT INSTITUTION.

2. The object of this Society shall be to aid the cause of Home Missions, under the care and direction of the New Hampshire Missionary Society.

3. Any female, *over fourteen years of age*, may become a member of this Society by paying annually *one cent a week*. Children may become members by paying any sum not less than ten cents a year.

4. The officers of this Society shall be a Treasurer, and so many Solicitors as may be needful.

5. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to preside at all the meetings of the Society, to act as Secretary, and to pay over to the Treasurer* of the Cent Institution all moneys of the Society raised for the purpose above specified.

6. It shall be the duty of the Solicitors to solicit, at least three months before the time of payment, individuals to become members, and collect and pay over the money to the Treasurer in the month of

7. The annual meeting of this Society shall be in the month of when the officers shall be chosen, and such other business transacted as may be necessary.

8. This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a vote of the majority of the members present, provided its second and third articles be not essentially changed.

*Miss Annie A. McFarland, Concord.

TABLE.

It may be interesting to the ladies to look over the following table, which contains the amount raised by the Cent Institution each year since its origin, in 1805.

YEARS.	DOLLS.	YEARS.	DOLLS.	YEARS.	DOLLS.	YEARS.	DOLLS.
1805,	\$5.00	1826,	\$548.76	1847,	\$1,533.89	1868,	\$2,420.10
1806,	34.23	1827,	667.49	1848,	1,575.98	1869,	2,602.28
1807,	129.02	1828,	541.86	1849,	870.62	1870,	2,467.39
1808,	90.76	1829,	542.00	1850,	1,891.48	1871,	2,564.14
1809,	205.63	1830,	458.93	1851,	1,522.76	1872,	2,581.61
1810,	160.00	1831,	665.63	1852,	1,728.91	1873,	2,433.37
1811,	275.87	1832,	775.22	1853,	1,673.95	1874,	2,713.22
1812,	277.61	1833,	675.94	1854,	1,604.06	1875,	2,582.15
1813,	797.10	1834,	559.92	1855,	1,467.08	1876,	2,409.69
1814,	1,360.18	1835,	434.31	1856,	1,479.69	1877,	2,647.84
1815,	1,426.17	1836,	649.60	1857,	1,516.10	1878,	2,327.00
1816,	1,546.72	1837,	538.65	1858,	1,595.51	1879,	2,351.98
1817,	1,400.00	1838,	786.92	1859,	1,561.19	1880,	2,210.36
1818,	1,157.01	1839,	1,046.51	1860,	1,637.16	1881,	2,176.98
1819,	1,709.97	1840,	1,239.94	1861,	1,774.79	1882,	2,277.97
1820,	687.38	1841,	1,227.89	1862,	1,801.64	1883,	2,158.19
1821,	547.06	1842,	1,285.92	1863,	1,833.14	1884,	2,173.37
1822,	666.69	1843,	1,290.33	1864,	1,960.70	1885,	1,757.39
1823,	564.42	1844,	1,417.94	1865,	2,054.19	1886,	2,283.02
1824,	594.87	1845,	1,434.31	1866,	2,327.84		
1825,	499.47	1846,	1,525.50	1867,	2,279.56	Total,	112,477.29