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Acknowledgments.

Church Missionary Society of New Zealand.—Tauranga boxes £3 17s 6d, Messrs H. B. and A. B. Williams £25; total £28 17s 6d.

Diocesan Home Mission.—St. Augustine's Association £3 17s, Mrs Maclean £5; total £8 17s.

Melanesian Mission.—St. Augustine's Association £5 7s, Tauranga £21 2s 3d, Matawai £3 12s 6d; total £30 1s 9d.

St. Hilda's Home.—Mrs Coleman £5 5s.

Waiapu Maori Mission.—St. Augustine's Association £3 17s, T. S. Williams £33 7s 6d, K. S. Williams £11 2s 6d, Mokoiwi Station £5 11s 3d, Mrs Maclean £5; total £58 81s 3d.

G.F.S. Hostel Fund.—Previously acknowledged, £1384 9s 2d; "Friend" £1, C.J.M. £1, Mrs H. M. Sanders £1, musical afternoon St. John's School-room (per Miss M. White) £5. Mrs Ruddock, Treasurer.

St. Mary's Home.—Mrs E. Palmer £3 3s 6d, Mrs Murdoch £1; total £4 3s 6d.

"Church Gazette."—Miss Selby 3s 6d, Canon Lush £2, Mrs Menzies 5s, Rev. E. A. McCutcheon £2, Mrs Milson 3s 6d, W. Palmer 5s, G. Hancock 3s 6d, Puketapu £2, Waipiro Bay £3 5s 9d, Woodville 3s 6d, Rev. T. Fisher £5, Canon Williams £1, Dannevirke £3, Mrs Gardiner £1 10s, Matawai £1 12s 2d, Mrs E. Kittow 3s 6d, Woodville 3s 6d, Wairoa £1, Mrs Doar 3s 6d, Mrs Fletcher 3s 6d, Woodville 7s, Mrs Dunnage 2s 6d, Rev. E. A. McCutcheon £2, the Dean £6 7s 6d, St. Augustine's £4 15s, Mrs C. Gray £1.

The matron of St. Hilda's Children's Home, Otane, acknowledges with many thanks the following gifts:—Donation of £1: Mrs Cooper. Clothing: Mrs Cooper, May and Monica Murphy, Mrs Hogg, a Woodville friend. Vegetables: Mrs Warren, Mrs Alec Williams, Mrs James Tod, Mrs Hancock. Sack of Potatoes: Mr Mark Sebley. Milk: Mr McRae, Mrs Wedd. Cakes: Mr F. D. Waller, Miss Howard, Miss Campbell, Mr Cain, Waipawa Catholic Native Queen Committee. Fruit: Mrs McLean, Mr James Bibby. Butter: Mr George Williams, Mr Cowley, Miss Williams, Mr Williams (Mangakonui). Eggs: Mr George Williams, Mrs Watts, Mrs Albert Clark. Meat: Mr George Williams. Jam: Mrs James Tod, Mrs Blathwayt, Mrs George Williams, Miss Howard. Shoes and Socks: May and Monica Murphy. Dates: Mr Malenoir. Posts for Clothes Lines: Major Warren. Fish: Mrs Henry Tiffin. Plants for Children's Gardens: Mrs Lorey, Mrs McRae, Miss Williams, Miss Howard. Books: Mrs McLean.

The Pictures.

The following extract from the correspondence column of the "Tribune" over the signature of "H. O. Lee" deserves quotation as the opinion of a layman on this subject. It is sufficiently forcible and needs no comment:—

"The picture theatre is no place for children of an observant age; as some of the pictures at present so popular, are 'not fit for human consumption.' We are getting the depraved American pagan ideas of the 17th rate authors and playwrights 'dished up' to us as ideals and gospel. I do not pose as a moralist, but I defy anyone, whatever his or her private faults, to say that the disguised sexual filth, the matrimonial complications, the illegitimacy tangles, the divorces, the heroised home breakers, the unfaithful wife, the exploits of the successful evil-doer and the scenes of blood-curdling murders and suicides are subjects of either enlightenment or true recreation for adults or anything better than moral ruination for the children. The producers say 'the public like that sort of thing.' A portion of the public unfortunately does, but why should our pictures and literature be demoralised to cater for the depraved appetites of those of inferior intellectuality. It is time a definite stand was taken and this picture menace removed."

Standing Committee.

A meeting of Standing Committee was held on August 5th. Letters were read from the vestries of one or two parishes asking for special consideration in the allocation of grants in aid of stipend. After some discussion it was agreed that the grants be made on the understanding that serious efforts are made to increase the stipend to the minimum laid down by Synod.

Mr A. Turner Williams outlined an estimate of the needs of the diocese to be provided from the Central Fund. Standing Committee resolved that a capital sum of £50,000 be aimed at as the least amount necessary to provide for essential needs.

It was decided to recommend Synod to pay the travelling expenses of lay members.

The Home Mission Fund collection will be made on October 3rd, instead of on the first Sunday in September.