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Leaving out all apologies, explanations, etc., about not writing sooner, and leaving out also any account of our journey to India, and the kind welcome from the missionaries and native Christians, I shall begin at once to give you a few interesting facts about work among the women during our tour this season. The farthest point west reached by us was Jhabua, which is almost on the border line, between Central India and Gujerat, about 75 miles measuring in a straight line across the map, and about 90 by road from Mhow. It is a wild, mountainous district, mostly inhabited by Bheels, except the towns where Hindus and Mohammedans are gathered. It will take too long to tell you the special need which appeared for our going there this year. We found the people generally very polite and attentive, and ready to hear. But that which was specially encouraging was the way in which work among the women was opened up. Our experience has been that it is only after several visits to a place, and after they have become somewhat accustomed to us, that we have access to the women. In Jhabua it began this way: a woman who had been among my husband's hearers had bought a New Testament from the native helper who was with