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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Again bereavement and sorrow have come to some closely connected with our Foreign Mission work. The death of Mr. William Davies means a great loss, not only to his own home circle but to all our denominational work. The "Link" extends warmest sympathy to his family.

The March "Link" contained a letter describing Mrs. Churchill's 80th birthday, which was spent in India. The letter was written by Miss Baker and was published first in "Tidings," to which it should have been credited.

Since the April "Link" Mrs. Churchill has arrived in Toronto, accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Stillwell, who went to India nearly a year ago to bring her mother home. Mrs. Stillwell spent some happy months in the home of her childhood, and amid the scenes where she worked for years as a missionary. She will have interesting things to tell us about her intercourse with the missionaries and native Christians, and life in India as she has seen it now. The "Link" joins with many friends in giving a hearty welcome to these travellers, and wishes them ever-increasing happiness in the home-land.

As Canadian Baptists we are responsible for extensive mission work, both Home and Foreign. In connection with this work we have large obligations and many specific duties. To further its interests we ought to give freely of our time, our money, our energy, our influence and our prayers. To ensure its growth and success in the future there is one thing supremely important, and that is the education of our children along mission lines. We should see to it that they become familiar with all sides of our Mission work, that interest in it is constantly fostered, and that giving to

missions becomes a habit. Chief responsibility for this must always rest with parents, but great help and stimulus is furnished by our Mission Bands. Our enthusiastic Band Superintendent, Mrs. Mills, is just now trying to inaugurate what we might call "a forward movement" for Mission Bands. Read her notes from month to month, and strengthen her work by giving your hearty support to the Band in your own Church. We will gladly give space to any helpful and inspiring material for Band Workers. Our fourth Foreign Mission Study has been unavoidably delayed. We hope to give it next month in the shape of an exercise on the life of our pioneer missionary, John McLaurin.

The present year is the 400th anniversary of Luther's appearance before the Diet of Worms. Lutherans are inviting Protestants everywhere to join them in commemorating the life and work of this famous man. The modern world owes much to him for his bold enunciation of some of the principles very dear to the hearts of Baptists: Justification by faith alone; the supreme authority of the Bible, the Word of God; the immediate access of the individual soul to God; and the separation of Church and State. These he stood for in a hostile world and at the risk of his life. He has a place among the great men of all ages whose lives have changed the current of history. It is fitting that his memory should be cherished to-day.

CIRCLES AND BANDS!

We are trying to spare our missionaries unnecessary care and work. Will you co-operate, and when you need a missionary speaker, write, not to the missionary, but to the Convener of Furlough Committee, Miss Gertrude H. Dayfoot, Georgetown, Ont.

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