

Circle Secretary be enabled to write to the Director of your Association.

The Mission Home in Muskoka was occupied this summer by our returned missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. John Craig, and their family. At last Convention we asked for a rowboat, and we got it from James Street Circle, Hamilton, on condition that the money we had for this purpose, \$20.00, should go towards building a boathouse. Some of the larger Circles take up one collection a year for the expense of this home. Perhaps your Circle will do that this year, and we may get a place to store our boat. Towels and table linen wear out there as well as at home. Taxes have to be paid. Do not forget the Mission Home.

Before closing this report we would like to ask a few questions.

Has your Circle advanced this year? Have you read that one missionary book?

Have you secured one new member? Are you discouraged and ready to give up?

Be of good cheer, Sister. There is much to be done. Get at it and do it with all your might, remembering, "The least you do for Jesus will be precious in His sight."

Respectfully submitted,

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Reviewing the year from September, 1915, to October, 1916, the outstanding events particularly affecting the work in India were the death of Miss Corning and the marriage of Miss Zimmerman. Miss Robinson went at once to take up Miss Corning's work, the Boys' School in Samulcotta. Miss Jones and Dr. Hulet, who were with us last year, left for India before Christmas, and are occupying their old fields. Miss Selman and Miss Findlay returned home for a much-needed furlough. Miss McGill is taking Miss Findlay's place in the Timpany school. But there was no one to fill the vacant places in Akidu and Vuyuru. The many Christian women of these fields will sadly miss the teaching

and inspiration of the missionary. The Conference in India asked for two new lady missionaries; both were urgently needed. One was sent. We hoped to send two; for different reasons both dropped out, and very thankful we were when Miss Edna Farnell responded to the hasty call, and in a few weeks was on her way to India. She left near the last of September. Our missionaries are laboring faithfully. The work is ever widening. The doors of service are always wide open. Our missionaries are longing and praying that they may be able to go forward; each step shows greater possibilities for service, but there is a limit to human strength and endurance. We are responsible. Sisters, are we doing all we can? Are we giving and praying as we are privileged to do? Mothers, are you willing for your daughters to go? Are you having them educated in a way that will fit them for India, if the Lord should call them to go? Now is the day of opportunity: if we are ever going to do anything for India, now is the time. The war, instead of hindering the work in India, has given a fresh impetus; the missionary has risen in importance, the people are turning to them for information and explanation, and as they speak of the justness of England's cause, they can get in a word for the King of Kings. We are all proud of the splendid loyalty of India, and who can say how much of it is due to the Christian message, the influence of Christian schools and colleges, the Christian hospitals and dispensaries, the kindly ministrations and wise teaching of the missionaries?

Cocanada (Miss Baskerville).—It has been a year of extremes. From July to November the heat was abnormal, while excessive rains sometimes prevented us from going out altogether, or drove us in from our work. No extremes of coolness can be reported. By the middle of March the heat was again above the