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her sons, Miss Hatch the women's class, Mr. N. Peter the men's class, and Mr. Andrew the big boy's class. The remaining two classes are taken by the helpers, about 18 boys, 10 women, 3 girls and 10 men are attending weekly.

The second school] is in the Madiga petta (Shoemakers' houses), K. Saramma, B. Nookamma and N. Doramma are taking classes, 9 boys, 8 girls, 3 women and some others are coming weekly.

The third Sunday school in the Cockshutt girl's school. G. Sundaramma and P. Katakshamma are teaching 18 girls and one women weekly. The first and third Sunday schools are taught in the morning.

The fourth is in the Savaram (caste of Kamma) N. Miriamma who is a Bible-woman at Ramachandrapuram is lab-uring to make them learn, 13 girls, 3 boys, 3 women and 14 others every Wednesday afternoon. The fifth is in Chappide Savaram (caste of Kapu). The teachers are N. Miriamma and D. Nookamma teaching to 10 girls, 3 boys, 3 women, and 6 others. The sixth is in Washerman petta, Mr. B. Pulliah, Mr. D. Lazarus and Mr. N. Jacob, members of the church, are teaching 11 girls, 10 boys and 5 others.

The seventh is in Mrs. Davis' home, Mrs. Davis teaching to 9 little children together with her sons.

The eighth is in The Dr. Kellock Home for Lepers. Miss Hatch established it. Mr. S. David and his wife Marthamma are teaching 22 leperous men and 3 women. There are Sunday Schools in other villages around Ramaohandrapuram. Miss Hatch with preachers and teachers selected me named Norts Prakasam as inspector of all Sunday Schools, and to give good warning to the teachers to bring the totals of students and verses weekly. We have a Sunday School teacher's meeting on every Friday night. Miss Hatch is teaching it and teaching us how to teach the children that they might understand.

We are giving tickets to each one who by heart recite verses weekly, and one picture ticket to those who have got 4 little tickets. When they got 12 picture tickets than they are getting little books. We are dividing fruits to all Sunday School students on each quarter of a year. These expenses are all borne by the R. Church.

We observe a Sunday School day in the year. Every Sunday School must attend the church in the Compound, bringing a flagstaff on which is written a verse for their recitation. Then we are praying the Lord to improve our Sunday Schools. We are proud to say in the Lord that God has increased us more than the last year. In the last year we had 5 teachers, 50 students, and 3 schools, but this year we are increased<sup>15</sup> to 16 teachers, 50 students to 190, and 3 schools to 8. We hope the children are telling to their parents and elders what they have learned and the elders can hear the way of salvation from the children. By your permission, I shall write of our other Sunday Schools at another time.

NORTA PRAKASAM.

Ramachandrapuram.

## THE STATION SCHOOL.

This school has two teachers. M. Prakasam the Head Master, holding a Lower Secondary certificate with a Normal training and G. Andrew, the Assistant, who, though not so highly qualified as a teacher, has other qualifications that make him a desirable man for the position.

Acting on the principle that it is better for children who have a home, to be brought up in it amid the surroundings that will be theirs in later life and trained by their parents to be helpful about the house in their childhood, a rule has been made on this field that no boy from a village where there is a school shall be received into the boarding school until he has gone as far as the village teacher can take him.

The boys who are received must bring with them all necessary clothes, books, slate pencils, etc., and pay a monthly fee of four annas and are expected while in the school to do their share of the regular work.

They rise at 5 a.m., work from 5.30 till 6 o'clock at some manual labor, then study and eat their breakfast, which consists of a little cold rice congee (gruel) and salt. At 7.30 the bell rings for prayers and from 8 until 11 is spent in the school room; from 11 till 2 p.m., in cooking and eating their noon meal, resting, playing or studying, and from 2 till 4 again in the class rooms. From 4 30 till 5 they do some work around the compound such as pulling weeds, carrying earth or watering trees, then they form into companies and one company cooks the evening meal, another pounds the rice for the next day, a third grinds the ragi (a small grain of which they make their noon meal), and still-another cleans the school room. After the evening meal at 7 o'clock comes study hour and prayers.

There is a sewing class on the Mission House verandah every Saturday forenoon, which is attended by day pupils as well as boarders.

Sunday forenoon is spent in attending Sunday school and service and in the afternoon the older boys go out to help the teachers of the village Sunday schools and the younger ones learn some Bible verses.

When the S. S. work was organized the boys were asked if they would like to help in it and it was pleasing to see how promptly and cheerfully they volunteered to do so.

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