

Sister Belle's Corner.

(For the Little Folks who read this Paper).

DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS.—Our hearts have been made very sad since I last wrote to you. Dear Mr. Timpany has been taken away from the work he loved so well in India to rest in God's beautiful home. While we know he is perfectly happy now, the dear wife and little daughter left mourning in the far-off land, the children here so long parted from their loved father, the work left with nobody to fill the empty place, these fill our hearts with sorrow. I know you will pray often for God's help and comfort for those who need it so much in this great trial, and that God may soon send another missionary to the field now ready for harvest.

Here is a little hymn about our work :

If you know that Christ, the Master,
Stood without and called your name,
Listening still to catch your answer,
Watching for you till you came ;
Would you let Him call unheeded,
While the days and months went by ?
Turning still deaf ears towards Him
All unmindful of His cry ?

Sister, Christ is calling to thee,
Hear Him saying " Lovest thou me ?
" Canst return me now no kindness
For my woo on Calvary !"
But your eyes perchance are blinded
That you do not know your King,
And your ears are dull of hearing
While those pleading accents ring !

You say " 'Tis the voice of strangers,
Those who have on me no claim."
'Tis no stranger's voice, beloved,
Christ, our Master, calls your name,
For you surely hear the summons—
Many-tongued the voices be—
From the fervid plains of India,
From the islands of the sea.

From the prison-like Zonanas,
From the lowly heathen kraals,
From the poor down-trodden Orient,
From old China's crumbling walls—
Fainting, hungering, thirsting, dying,
Sinners just like you and me,
Still are calling, sadly calling,
Sister, they are calling thee !

Yet not they—in Christ, our Master,
Calling to thee in their stead ;
Answer, and His benediction
Shall rest sweetly on thy head :
" Inasmuch as thou hast done it
To my people o'er the sea,
To the least of my beloved,
Thou hast done it unto me."

And for the little ones who cannot fully understand this long poem I have a recitation to copy called

" MISSIONARY PENNIES."

Hear the pennies dropping,
Listen as they fall,
Every one for Jesus,
Ho will get them all.

Dropping, dropping ever
From each little hand,
'Tis our gift to Jesus
From our little band.

Now, while we are little,
Pennies are our store,
But, when we are older
Lord, we'll give Thee more.

Though we have not money,
We can give Him love,
He will own our offering,
Smiling from above.

It pleases me very much to hear from our Mission Bands. I like to hear of the ways you have of working, and which you find the most successful. One Band, in which I am interested, tells me through a member that they are shortly to have a "jug-breaking" meeting. They have been collecting pennies in little earthen jugs, and when all are full these are to be broken, and the money all sent on its mission.

A little Band has recently held a very successful entertainment, at which eight little girls, who could hardly speak plain, recited the dialogue in our Corner for December. The friends of another Band prepared a little surprise for the children at its last meeting, and after the recitations and singing were all over, cakes and coffee were passed around to the great delight of the little folks. All reports tell of happy meetings and good being done. May God bless our Mission Bands, and teach all little workers to do with their might whatever their hands find to do. Then the good work will go on, and on, and on, until the whole world shall hear of our Jesus.

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