

Foreign Missions

W. B. M. U.

"We are laborers together with God."

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PRAYER TOPIC FOR APRIL.

Tekkail. That the Spirit's power may graciously descend on all the Missionaries, helpers, schools and outstations, that the halting ones may decide for Christ. For Grande Ligne Seminary.

NOTICE.

We are pleased to announce that Miss Alice Logan has accepted the office of County Secretary for Cumberland Co., N. S. We are indeed fortunate to secure for this office one who has so much missionary zeal as Miss Logan, she gave herself to this mission work some time ago. May a great blessing come to our sister and those for whom she labors. The need for other Co. Secretaries is very great. Are there not those who long to work for the Master and with His help will undertake this most fruitful and important work?

Ye Also Helping Together By Prayer For Us.—II.

Cor. 1:11.

The weary ones had rest, the sad had joy
That day, and wondered "how?"
A ploughman singing at his work had prayed,
"Lord help them now!"

Away in foreign lands, they wonder "how?"

Their simple word had power—
At home the gleaners, two or three, had met
To pray an hour!

Yes, we are always wondering "how?"
Because we do not see

Someone, unknown perhaps, and far away,
On bended knee.

NEVER REFUSE GOD ANYTHING

Florence Nightingale said, "If I could give you information of my life, it would be to show how a woman of very ordinary ability had been led by God in strange and unaccustomed paths to do in his service what he has done in her. And if I could tell you all, you would see how God has done all, and I nothing. I have worked hard, very hard, that is all and I have never refused God anything."

The glad Easter time is coming and nature's voices are vocal with song. Under the snow has been safely hidden the tiny seeds and buds that are now at the warm touch of the spring sunshine bursting forth into life and beauty. Shall we have no glad song of praise or offering to bring for the loving care that has protected us from all harm?

May we not hope that all through these stormy months when snow banks towered like mountains, impulses and desires for work that could not then be done shall now come forth at the master's voice and yield a rich harvest for him? We shall have to redouble our diligence for in many places public services could not be held and so no special missionary meetings of W. M. A. S. or Mission Bands have taken place this winter. It has been suggested that we make an Easter offering of thanksgiving, especially for Home Missions as that is behind what it was this time last year. Send for the Mission Concert exercise, there are still some copies left that should be used. Do not allow horse cleaning, spring sewing, and the countless other things that thrust themselves upon us at this season of the year to rob us of the privilege and pleasure that comes from doing our Master's work and helping others to engage in his service. When the end of life comes many things that seem so very important now will look very small and insignificant, while what we have done for Christ to rescue the perishing at home and abroad will rise up to comfort us in the darkest hour. Are you all praying for one or more young lady missionaries to go to India this autumn?

Just a few lines from the North Brookfield W. M. A. S. Our plan for former years for Crusade Day observance has been calling at the different homes asking for new members and Thankofferings. Our dear departed sister Mrs. A. J. Leadbetter hardly missed a day. On Crusade Day 1903 we sent out invitations for an 'At Home', all members bringing their friends and also a luncheon to be served at the close. We opened the meeting in the usual form, nineteen members answered to their names by Scripture verse or by letter. Four new members were welcomed to our Society. Our coll. of thankofferings amounted to \$16.03, our plan was to hold a public missionary meeting in the evening, we were unable to do so but held it the following Sunday, 1904 found us following the same plan, with some little improve-

ments. Roll call found thirteen present, three names added to our Roll.

One blessing we enjoy in our society is the letters we receive from sisters gone from us to other societies. A letter was read from Mrs. A. G. Morton, now of Wolfville. A letter from our former Pres. Mrs. J. H. Balcom, received too late for Crusade Day, was enjoyed at the next monthly meeting. God knows how it cheers our hearts to hear from our sisters in Christ, and puts it into their hearts to write. We are also greatly blessed in having letters from 'Our Missionary' Rev. S. C. Freeman of Vizianagram, India, these letters are written to all 'Friends in the Home land' but some of us have been favored by hearing directly from him and India and her millions seem nearer than in past years. Our prayers go out for the loved friends there that their requests may be granted. After the meeting tea was served and we spent both a pleasant and profitable afternoon. As we have received help from sister societies, we hope this idea may be of help to others. One in the work,

April 3rd, 1905.

F. M. C.

AMOUNTS RECEIVED BY THE W. B. M. U. TREAS. FROM MAR. 5TH TO APRIL 4TH.

Freeport, F. M. \$5, H. M. \$5; Paradise, F. M. \$8.50, H. M. \$3.81, Reports, 10c; Eldon, F. M. \$5; Centerville, N. W. M. \$11; Florencerville, F. M. \$4.75, H. M. \$4.75; Deep Brook, F. M. \$6.50, H. M. \$6.00; Kentville, F. M. \$3; Amherst Shore, F. M. \$3.25, H. M. \$2.25, Reports, 10c; New Albany, F. M. \$2; Truro, Tidings, 25c; Boundary Creek, F. M. \$5.50 Tidings, 25c, Reports, 10c; South Rawdon, F. M. \$12; Wolfville, F. M. \$40.25, H. M. \$14.75; Clements-ville, F. M. \$3.40; balance to constitute Mrs. Geo. H. Beal-er a Life Member, H. M. \$20, Reports, 50c; Clarence, F. M. \$6, H. M. \$1.75, Reports, 55c; Middle Sackville, leaflets, 60c; New Tusket, F. M. \$7; Port Williams, F. M. \$10, H. M. \$11; Brookfield, Tidings, 25c; Alexandra, F. M. \$5; Lewisville, F. M. \$12, H. M. \$7; Moncton, F. M. \$33, H. M. \$15, Reports \$1; St. Martins, F. M. \$5, H. M. \$15.50; Moncton, Tidings, 25c, Leaflets, 75c; Hazelbrook, F. M. \$5.32, H. M. \$2.93, Tidings, 25c, Reports, 20c; Gabarus, H. M. \$2; Moncton, Tidings, 50c; Lower Granville, F. M. \$2; Albert, F. M. \$7, Reports, 20c; Yarmouth Temple church, F. M. \$24.20, H. M. \$14.80; St. John, Leinster St., F. M. \$35; Greenfield, F. M. \$3; Little River, F. M. \$1.50, H. M. \$1.50; Argyle Head, Chénac le Hospital, \$10, H. M. \$4.50; Havelock, F. M. \$12.50, Reports, 50c; Jacksonville, Tidings, 25c.

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From Wolfville.

THE SECOND FORWARD MOVEMENT.

As there is a wide field to be covered, it is desirable for many reasons that the canvass for this movement should be carried as far as possible by the next Convention, the Executive committee of the Board of Governors is enlisting the services of some of the pastors as helpers for short periods in this work. The Hantsport church has graciously released its pastor, Rev. Earnest Quick, for a month, to canvass Guysboro county. Bro. Quick was pastor of Guysboro for several years, and knows the county thoroughly. He will start out during the last week in April, and the Committee bespeak for him the hearty co-operation of the pastors and churches as he seeks to arrange his itinerary and prosecute the canvass.

Announcements respecting the service to be rendered by other pastors will be made later on. The writer has recently made a supplementary visit to Berwick of a profitable sort, and has also visited Hantsport and Sussex. Rev. W. L. Archibald has spent the last three weeks in Halifax County, canvassing the North church and Tabernacle church in the city, and other sections of the county. With the opening of the spring and the improvement of the roads the canvass will be pushed with greater rapidity and effect.

THE WORK OF GRACE.

I send only a word this week. Next week (D. V.) I will write at greater length. The good work goes on with increasing power. Many have found Christ, and many others are seeking him. Up to last Sunday, the 2nd, twenty-eight young people had confessed Christ in baptism. Yesterday Friday the church received for baptism thirty-four more, all of whom will be baptized on Sunday, the 9th.

I heard the pastor remark yesterday that one great source of joy and confidence was the knowledge that prayer was being offered all over the country in behalf of the work. May these intercessions continue, and the good work ripen into still greater fruitfulness.

THOS. TROTTER.

Wolfville, April 8th.

New Books.

THE PRIESTLY ELEMENT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, An Aid to Historical Study, By William Rainey Harper, Professor of Semitic Languages and Literature in the University of Chicago.

The volume is one in the series of "Constructive Bible

Studies" edited by President Harper and Professor Burton. It is intended to serve as a guide for students who wish to take up the questions relating to the subject of the Priestly Element in the Old Testament. The author tells us that the general results of modern historical criticism have been taken as a basis for the work. As there are different opinions among Biblical scholars as to what the assured results of modern criticism include, it may be expected that there will be likewise serious differences of opinion as to the value of the discussion which assumes to be based upon those results. If however the author's position as to the results of Biblical criticism is accepted the discussion cannot but be considered as valuable. In any event it must be appreciated as a systematic setting of a subject possessing great attraction for the Biblical student. If the student can accept the author's point of view as to questions of the date, authorship, etc., of the Biblical writings he will doubtless feel a large measure of satisfaction in following his guidance in a study of the priestly element in the Old Testament. In the discussion of the subject four methods of treatment have been employed, each being deemed best adapted to the case in hand. In chapter I a systematic statement of the scope of the Priestly Element is given. In chapters II-IV we have an historical statement covering in barest outlines the story of the Priestly Element as a whole in its progress and development; in chapters V-XI a classified and comparative examination of the more important special factors which taken together constitute the Priestly Element; in chapters XII-XIX, a critical examination of the literature produced by the priests, and of its essential significance. There are also appendices on the vocabulary of worship and on the literature of the subjects, which will be of much value to those who wish to pursue the study of the subject.

Published by the University of Chicago Press: Pp. 292. Price \$1.00.

HISTORICAL GEOGRAPHY OF BIBLE LANDS, By John B. Calkin, M. A., author of "Notes on Education," "A Geography of the World," "A History of the Dominion of Canada," etc. With an introduction by Rev. Robert A. Falconer, LL. D., Principal of Presbyterian College, Halifax.

The author does not present the contents of his book as derived from personal observation. He is not an explorer or even a traveller. But seeing that the fruits of the labors of so many travellers and explorers in Bible lands are available, it is not necessary that an author should gather his facts at first hand in order to the production of a highly interesting and valuable book on this subject. The author names a number of geographical and historical works of high character of which he has made use in the preparation of this volume, and the result indicates that they have been used to very good purpose. The book contains 180 pages with fourteen additional pages of maps, and offers to the student a wide range of information which will greatly aid in making the Bible narratives, as well as the didactic portions of the book, interesting and intelligible. Those who really wish to know the Bible must seek to gain some idea of the Bible lands and of the historical movements of which they have been the scene. The more advanced Bible student will of course desire helps of a more elaborate character than this. Hastings Bible Dictionary, for instance, to which our author acknowledges his indebtedness, will be found for pastors and others who have the necessary scholarship an invaluable work. But a very large class of persons will find the volume before us excellently adapted to their needs, while the moderate price at which it is issued places it within the reach of almost every household. The paper, print and binding are all first class, and the externals of the book are in all respects a credit to the publishers.

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