

The Eastern Society

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MISSION BAND AT SMITH'S FALLS.

We are glad to report that our Mission Band at Smith's Falls is doing good work this year. We have had a series of lessons following the life of a little boy and girl in Africa, and we also took the program outlined in the "Link" on Medical Missions.

We had a very successful entertainment in which a number of the older girls and boys took part. We had some very interesting items given, such as "A Day at Pithapuram Hospital," "The Voices of the Women," and others. The collection amounted to \$9.41, making a total of \$50 raised for the year.

Florence Willoughby, Secy.

BAND AT BAPTIST TABERNACLE MONTREAL

Dear Editor of Link.—We organized our Band May 8, 1923, with a membership of twenty-four, holding our meetings every two weeks.

For some time we opened our meeting with Scripture reading, prayer, singing and roll call, each member answering with a text of Scripture. The remainder of the time the girls spent in sewing, and the boys pasting postcards. Later we thought it best to do this work at home and use all our time learning about India, its ways, and customs.

Some of the children have given five cents out of every ten they receive for candy, to the little girl we support in Mrs. Gordon's school in Vuyyuru.

This last year we have sent twelve dolls, twenty bags, five picture rolls, three hundred cards, and with Miss Sanford on her return back to India we sent four quilts, which the children had made or patched. Beside this the Band sent eighteen dollars for the support of a little girl in Mrs. Gordon's School in Vuyyuru, and five dollars for a dog cart.

Just before Christmas the leader gave to each member a little silk bag to put in a

little gift for their little girl in India and received nearly four dollars.

At the present time the Mission Band is not meeting, but we have tin boxes covered with pictures of Indian children in which to put their collections and savings. One little boy of eight years told me he had already one dollar and eighty cents.

Last winter we had a very enjoyable evening with the mothers of the children, giving a very interesting program and the children serving refreshments.

We closed our meetings with a picnic meeting at the church. We had our pictures taken for the Link, then we left for the park where forty-three sat down to a good supper.

Elsie Murray, Sec.

OTTAWA ASSOCIATION

A large delegation representing the Circles, Young Women's, and Mission Bands of the Ottawa Association met in Calvary Baptist Church, Ottawa, June 17. The Directress, Mrs. E. Richards, Westboro, presided. The devotional exercises led by Mrs. J. K. Yelland, Thurso, were very helpful. Mrs. T. C. Blair extended a hearty welcome to the delegates and visitors, this was responded to by Mrs. N. McCallum, Vankleek Hill. The report presented by the Directress showed a slight balance for the year. Total amount raised by Circles and Bands for Home and Foreign Missions, \$4344.41. Our Home Mission Board was ably represented by Miss T. Lewitt, of Ottawa, and Mrs. E. G. Blackadar, of Rockcliffe, made an earnest appeal on behalf of the Foreign Mission Board.

For Band workers there were many valuable suggestions made by Miss I. Stanley, Westboro; Miss F. E. Marjerrison and Miss R. Burnside, Ottawa. Miss Evelyn Carkner, Kenmore, very ably presented the merits of the "Link" and "Visitor." Echoes from our Jubilee, by Mrs. J. D. McLean, did not fail to stir our hearts.

The evening session opened with a song service led by Mr. F. C. Blair, of the Calvary Church.