

"No." There is a "Yes" to meet that. That is the history of the Kingdom.

Though she had not leisure to pursue the study to any high degree, she nevertheless was able, I should judge, to gain some insight into the original language of the New Testament.

So when she came to the Association held in Amherst in 1870, I was able to present her as a "born missionary," for from experience I knew that she was. But I did not then understand that she was to be the main spring of a far reaching movement. She was a plain woman, not striking in appearance, with a well shaped head, her dark hair growing low over her forehead, but I knew the brain behind it. At this time, in the ordinary routine of the Association no one could foresee the wave which was about to break upon the Baptists of these Provinces. But it was a propitious hour. The W. M. S. had just been started in the United States. In a moment, our little dark eyed sister saw the opportunity, and seizing it, at once began to form the Societies which were to be so impelling an influence in our foreign work. The first was formed at her home church in Canso, the second in Amherst a few weeks afterward.

4. The Rise of an Independent Mission.

The refusal of our Board, and her failure to secure funds by the loan described both turned out for good, as Miss Norris had anticipated. All was for the best. If the prayer was not answered in her way, it would be in some other.

"I hear and to myself I smile,
For Christ talks with me all the while."

exactly describes her state of mind at this time. It was really

(Note *The writer begs permission to use the personal pronoun "I", as there seems no other way in which he can relate the facts exactly as they occurred.)