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MISS FRITH's present address is, care of James E. Frith, Princeton, Ont.

MISS SIMPSON has gone with Mrs. Crulig to stay at Akidu until December.

WHILE in London Mr. Hibbert, Mr. Spurgeon's secretary, showed them very great kindness. At Madras, Mr. and Mrs. Drake gave them a glad welcome to their home, and at Coocanada their reception was almost overpowering.

MISS HATCH has sent to Mrs. Elliott a thank-offering of \$25. She will remain in Coocanada until Christmas, then go to Samulcotta to commence work in the seminary—still keeping an oversight of the work in Coocanada. When free from Coocanada she hopes to do some Zennan work in Samulcotta.

MISS SIMPSON, BASKERVILLE AND STOVELL, after an exceptionally fine voyage, arrived at Madras on Oct. 22nd, and at Coocanada Friday the 20th. They at once commenced the study of Telugu, and made such rapid progress that in one week they knew all the alphabet, could say short sentences and make themselves understood to the servants.

MISSIONARY DAY AT McMASTER HALL.—The December Missionary Exercises at McMaster Hall were of more than usual interest. The leading feature of the day was the presence of two returned missionaries, Rev. John McLaurin and Rev. E. C. B. Hallam, who had been asked to discuss questions of missionary polity raised by the recent articles of Canon Taylor, and by the addresses of the Hindu Salvationists. It is needless to say that these brethren, who have had each more than twenty years of missionary experience, took an intensely practical view of the various matters of inquiry; that they repudiated the representations adverse to ordinary missionary methods that have obtained currency, and, while setting forth clearly the difficulties in connection with missionary work, made their hearers feel that there is no occasion for discouragement. To the question, whether it would not be worth while to bring an educated Telugu to this country to teach the language to young men and women who had devoted themselves to work among the Telugus? both replied emphatically in the negative, contact with the people

being regarded as an indispensable part of the training to be undergone. As regards the practicability of students' mastering the language under the instruction of returned missionaries, both speakers agreed that not one missionary in ten is sufficiently master of the language to teach it idiomatically, or to give a correct pronunciation, and that the time spent by the student in trying to master Telugu before going to India would be lost.

"Follow Thou Me!"

A MISSIONARY HYMN.

Morn on the hill-tops of calm Galilee!
Morn on the waves of Gennesareth's sea!
Morn, and the long night of toiling is o'er,
The Master is with His disciples once more!

Fruitless and long was the toll of the night,
But day's early beam showed the Master in sight;
Filled was the net at His gracious command,
Spread was the feast by His own loving hand.

"Eat, oh beloved!" He saith, and they eat,
Sweet the repast, and the converse morn sweet;
Sweet, but how soon they are passed, and once more
The Lord turns away from Gennesareth's shore.

"Follow thou Me!" oh, the joy-giving word!
High was the transport each bosom that stirred,
Glad the reply that, o'er Galilee's sea,
Rang out responsive—"Lord, follow we Thee!"

Some to a prison, and some to a cross,
All, thro' privation, and peril, and loss;
Gladly they trod where the print of His feet
Pointed to victory, or shame, or defeat.

Down thro' the years from Gennesareth's shore,
"Follow thou Me!" rings out grandly once more.
Lord, we have heard it, we hear it to-day,
And gladly, *how* gladly, we rise and obey!

Show us Thy footprints wherever we go;
The path of Thy toil and suffering show;
Show us, then aid us, oh, aid us to see
Thee, and Thee only, still following Thee!

PAMELIA VINING YULE.