

Training School at Nellore, a two years' course. May God richly bless them as they prepare for greater service among their own people. After their training they will be married and then the missionary locates them in some village, where, if there is no school, one is established. They work among the children, the men, and the women, to show them the higher and nobler life which is found in Christ Jesus as they themselves have experienced while staying in our Boarding School.

The children carry on their usual evangelistic schools on Sunday morning. There are ten groups who go to tell the old, old Story of Jesus and His love to those who do not know Him. About two weeks ago we held our yearly rally and one hundred and fifty children were present. Their hearts were gladdened as they received presents from home.

We know our friends are remembering us before the Throne of Grace because you promised us you would do so. We pray for you too. May God help us all to serve Him better. I need more patience and more love, and more of the spirit of my Master."

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#### Women and Children—Miss Bessie Lockhart

Miss Lockhart, while not regretting the time spent in charge of the Boarding School, is nevertheless delighted to be free to tour again with the Biblewomen through the very many villages in this large field.

"Last year, I asked the women of Canada to pray that our Christian women be led to give themselves to the work of teaching their own people. Already seven have offered, four of whom we have received into the Boarding School to learn to read. I have had great joy in them, for all have shown by their lives that they realize the great work they are called to do. In the holidays, they work in the fields, in order to support their children and earn something toward their own expenses. We give each two outfits, that is,

two quakas and two skirts, if they need them. They really should go to the Biblewomen's Training School, and now that it is being removed to Tuni, so much nearer us, perhaps it will be possible. The other three have asked to be taken on in July.

Our regular staff of touring workers is reduced to three faithful, conscientious women. Amelia's poor health has kept her out of the work, and Santoshamma was sent to the Palkonda Training School to be a good influence over the beginners. The three regular women though hindered by much sickness, have visited 125 villages, 600 caste homes, and preached to many many women.

The whole caste work is most encouraging. Much of the superstition and the aloofness is quite done away with—on all sides there is the open door; the entire field is being permeated with the Gospel. Wherever we find former patients of the hospital, there we see special eagerness to hear again the story of salvation. The shortage of workers makes it hard to do much intensive work, yet in several caste houses, the women learn two or three hymns and several Bible stories at each visit. O for more workers to enter in and teach!

Christian Women.—I have had fifty meetings with the Christian women when they recite their verses and Bible stories. This work is exceedingly interesting, for we can see that our women are learning. In the villages where there are trained and educated workers' wives the work is in a prosperous condition. Forty out of fifty workers can read and write, twenty of whom were trained in our own boarding school. I believe that the present greatest need in our Christian work here is for educated, trained and consecrated young women as wives of the village teachers. Our Indian Church like all other society, has its wisdom and stature corresponding to that of its women. The solution of the problem of literacy must inevitably be found in the village school.