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Editorial.

FAREWELL TO MISSIONARIES.—A large number of the friends of missions gathered at the College St. Church, Toronto, on Friday evening, Oct. 11, to join in a farewell service to our departing missionaries. Rev. S. S. Bates, pastor of the Church and President of the F. M. Board, presided. Chancellor O. C. S. Wallace, of McMaster University, was called upon and made a pleasing and effective address. As three of the missionaries go forth from the University, it was fitting that he should express the feelings of the Faculty and students towards those whom he rightly characterized as among "our best." The Chairman introduced successively Rev. J. R. Stillwell, Rev. H. C. Priest, Rev. H. E. Stillwell, Mrs. H. E. Stillwell, and Miss Pearl Smith, who each spoke words of exhortation and cheer. The impression produced by all was most favorable. It is agreed that we have never sent forth a more promising band. Rev. A. P. McDiarmid, Secretary of the F. M. Board, gave the closing address, which was profoundly solemn and impressive. Rev. Joshua Denovan led in the closing prayer. A large number remained to shake hands with the missionaries, and personally to bid them farewell.

On Monday morning many friends gathered at the railway station to see the missionaries off. The University students enlivened the occasion by their songs and yells; and parting hymns were sung with much feeling.

Another farewell meeting was held in Ottawa on Monday evening, and one in Montreal on Tuesday, and the party set sail down the St. Lawrence, on Wednesday, the 16th. The cut which we present is kindly loaned by the Standard Publishing Co., Toronto.

A WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT.

Our loved missionaries are gone. The last "Farewell" has been given, the last "God bless you!" said, and now they are speeding away to carry the Light of Life to those who sit in darkness. They have left some lonely hearts and empty homes behind them.

In the joy of sending new workers to the Foreign field, have you thought of this, dear sisters? Some have given children for this work, just as precious and dear to them

as your loved son or daughter is to you. If you are not called upon to make this sacrifice for "Jesus' sake," what gift will you lay upon His altar? We are to "deny" ourselves for Christ's sake.

Our Thank-offering service will soon be here, will you not take this opportunity of showing your gratitude for mercies of the past year. Loved ones spared to you, sick ones restored to health, barns and cellars filled with plenty, our loved land free from war and pestilence. How much we have to thank God for! Sisters, let us honor Him out of a full heart, by filling our empty Foreign Mission treasury. I was surprised and grieved, to hear from our Treasurer, a few days ago, that our income is much less this year than our estimates, and that as late as September 29th, she had not enough for the October remittance. This should not be so. The Lord is blessing our work in India, and blessing us here with plenty. Let us then give cheerfully, give willingly, give for Jesus' sake, and realize the joy that follows loving obedience to Christ's commands. Our Treasurer says, "Unless the last days of October bring in large returns this will be the smallest first half, Convention year, the Society has had since I became Treasurer, and of course our work has grown with our growth."

Dear sisters, let us hasten to respond to this urgent need.

Yours in the work,

J. T. BOOKER.

APPEAL TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PRAYER UNION.

In a recent letter received from Miss Hatch, she says: "Often do we feel conscious that the prayers of God's people are helping us. The noon hour has very many times been sacred to us here, and I hope those who have entered the Union may continue in faith, and hope, and love, persevering in prayer, remembering always their messengers in this land. Just now there are special objects that we trust the Prayer Union may remember before the Throne of Grace." Miss Hatch has been ill, and is now resting at Bangalore. Pray that she may soon be restored to her work. Then, money is much needed for Miss Baskerville's schoolbuildings at Cocanada. She has been very patient, but very much requires them. Pray that the means to carry on the work may be forthcoming.