

The Pocket Testament League Around The World

CHAPTER I.

THE ORIGIN OF THE MOVEMENT.

"Holding fast the faithful Word." Titus 1, 9.

In the city of Birmingham, England, a young girl who had given her heart to God when twelve years of age, had a great longing that her fellow-pupils at the Girls' High School might learn to know and love her Saviour. In her youthful enthusiasm she was led to originate a plan for reading the Scriptures and for winning people to Christ, which, through the blessing of God, has become one of the most interesting and far-reaching movements of this generation.

The young girl was Helen Cadbury, a daughter of Richard Cadbury, the well-known Christian philanthropist, a member of the Society of Friends, and one of Birmingham's foremost benefactors, who was like a father to his employees and to the poor people of the city. Miss Cadbury, who afterwards became the wife of Mr. Charles M. Alexander, the Gospel song leader, gives the following interesting story of how she was led to begin the