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## "THE SAILS ARE SET."

By Mrs. J. H. Arthur, Missionary to Japan.

The sails are set, the anchor weighed,  
Our ship goes sailing, sailing ;  
Come, west winds from your cloudy caves  
In breezes never failing.

'Tis break of day, and far astern  
I watch the seaweed drifting ;  
The coming dawn from off the sea  
The shades of night is lifting.

O rays of light from out the East,  
Ye bring the voice of wailing ;  
Come, Holy Spirit, breathe on me  
Thy comfort never failing.

To lands far off for Thee, O Christ,  
I go to tell the story !  
Shine thou upon that sea of souls,  
And flood it with Thy glory.

The joys I leave are but to me  
As seaweed idly drifting ;  
For on the sea of human souls  
I watch the shadows lifting.

Ye west winds blow ! Thou ship speed on !  
My hopes with thee are sailing ;  
O, Holy Spirit, breathe on me  
Thy comfort never failing.

So shall my heart for work so great  
Be strong in its endeavor,  
Until my soul, above its fears,  
Is lifted up forever.

## MISSIONARIES RETURNING TO INDIA.

Misses Hatch and McLaurin sail from Vancouver, Nov. 1st; Misses Murray and Robinson, the newly appointed missionary of the Manitoba and N. W. Board, from N. Y., Oct. 24th; Dr. and Mrs. Smith and family a little later. Their presence in the homeland has been an inspiration and largely increased the interest in our Foreign Mission work. Let us remember them as they journey, praying that they may safely return to their loved work.

## NOTICES.

Will all delegates to the annual Convention of the Women's Baptist Home and Foreign Mission Circles, to be held in Aylmer, Ont., Nov. 11th, 12th, kindly send their names to me before the 2nd of November, to enable the Billeting Committee to make suitable arrangements for their entertainment? Mrs. J. D. McDiarmid, (Convener of Billeting Committee), Aylmer, West Ont.

The Question Drawer at the Convention may be made very useful in eliciting facts and supplying much-needed information. Will not the delegates therefore consider this before leaving home for Aylmer, and write thoughts or questions that may contribute to the interest of the meeting?

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## UNION MEETING.

The Baptist Mission Circles of Toronto, met in College St. Church, Oct. 21st, with a good representation from our various societies. A helpful prayer service was conducted by Mrs. Alexander, after which, our President, Mrs. W. E. Norton, took the chair. After devotional, exercises and reading of minutes, some appropriate and encouraging remarks were made by our President. Mrs. Lillie gave a cheering report of our Home Mission work, followed by a beautiful solo rendered by Miss Sowerby. We were then favored with a talk by Miss Murray, answering the question so often asked, "Why do I return to India?" She said, after receiving Christ as her Saviour, it was her desire that He should have supreme authority over her life, and she heard the "Go ye," to be a witness for Him in India. She went out at the command of her Superior Officer, and till He released her from service her work was there. Then the privilege of telling those heathen women of Jesus as their Saviour and Helper, and the joy of seeing the transforming power of the Gospel in their lives when they accepted Him, made her long to return. The meeting closed with prayer. We regret we have not space for a fuller report.