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### A WORD FROM YELLAMANCHILLI.

We have found plenty of work to do in our station these last few months. Indeed, we almost felt sure that that was the work which demanded our attention at the time. The Yellamanchilli Malla Hamlet, where work has been faithfully done from the time that this station was opened, and where there has been so little fruit for all of the work, has shown signs of the working of the Spirit. There are many who are in the valley of decision, but who lack the courage to come right out boldly. One man and a boy only have been baptized. Many said, "After Addyya comes we will all come," but now they seem just as far away as before. They have found new excuses, which they are putting up between God and themselves. One great hindrance is Sunday work. They think that they will suffer if they refuse to work on Sunday. Please pray that the Spirit of God may fall on these people, convicting them of sin, of righteousness, and judgment.

We rejoice that the Malla Hamlet school attendance has improved so much. There are about forty day and twenty-six night pupils. We are very grateful for our earnest, faithful teacher. We had a very happy Christmas with these children, who sang hymns and recited a great many Scripture texts.

The Madiga Hamlet is also doing good work. There is a marked change in the conduct of the children since they have been coming to school. We had the very first Christmas treat for them that they ever had, and I think they really enjoyed it.

For three new schools, two of which are held under trees as yet, we praise God. The teacher of one is a poor crippled humpback, who was educated in his youth by a kind-hearted English Government official. He was discovered over a year ago in his native village, a few miles away, by our pastor, who took an interest in him, and last September he was baptized. After some weeks of Bible instruction, we placed him in a little village nearby to teach school.

The people are showing a very intelligent interest; some have said they do believe. Another school is in a Malla Hamlet two miles away. In that village is a Christian man, who, although he has been a Christian for a few years, has not seemed to be one at all, but now he has begun to come to church again, and seems anxious for the salvation of his friends. The teacher whom we placed there was dismissed from High School for misconduct, but he publicly confessed his fault, and is taking this work as a trust from God. Pray for him, that he may be a blessing there, and that he may become a real Christian Worker.

The third school is among the weaver and farmer castes of Yellamanchilli. It is a large school of over fifty pupils sometimes, but very irregular in their attendance, because they must do so many errands to help their elders. These last two schools are held under trees, but the people in both cases have agreed to give the ground and build schoolhouses.