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"We are laborers together with God."

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PRAVER TOPIC FOR NOVEMBER.

For Bobbili, its missionaries, native Christians. and schools, that the souls for whom they are asking may be brought to Christ For a great blessing on Crusade Day, and that all the women in our churches may realize th bldssedness of co-operating in this mission work

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How Billtown Observed Crusade Day.

To many people Billtown is, apparently, a dead letter, but we are coming to life, or rather we were never as near dead as we have been given credit for being. We have always observed Crussde Day to a greater or lesser ex-tent, and always with more or less profit. Billtown church has within its limits three Woman's Missionary Ald Societies, Billtown, Lakeville Branch, and Wood ville. The reason we have so many is because so many sisters live so far away they cannot get to the centre, so we multiplied societies with good results. At the suggestion of our pastor's wife, we resolved to hold Crusade by coming together in one grand rally. All being agreed the parsonage was chosen as the place of meeting. Oct. 8th, Billtown's regular meeting day, was the time appointed. The Society members were expected to invite all sisters who were not members, and the gentlemen friends of both members and non-members were also invited. Each Society member took a basket of refreshment and about 7 p. m. tea was served.' Immedintely following tes a good programme was listened to, which consisted of music devotional exercises, address by our pastor's wife, who is Billiown's president, ad-dress by Woodville's president, treasurer's report, report from secretary of each Society, also a very interesting and instructive report of Convention at Hebron. There were reported sixty-five members in all and \$12800 raised in year ending July, 1902. Nine new members raised in year ending July, 1902. Nine new members received at this meeting. This with two original papers brought the programme to a close, and after listening to a beautiful solo by Mrs. K. Craig, ouv pastor, Rev. D. Simpson, pronounced benediction, which closed what all felt to have been a very pleasant and profitable even-ing. MRS O V. BLIGH, Pres. Lakeville Branch.

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Middleton, Annapolis County.

As the words of our Sisters from other Sociaties, are often helpful and encouraging to us, so it may be that some one will be interested in what we are doing We can report some sdvance along the lines, and a determination among the faithful few not to fail or be discouraged. At our meeting in St. September Sister J. N. Charlton very kindly invited us to meet at her home in October An offering would be taken and a Missionary Tea provided. Invitations were written to all not members. The afternoon was favorable, about thirty were in attendance. An excellent programme was rendered offering taken amounting to \$5 60, followed by a bountiful tes. We were gladdened by the addition of four new members. Fees received for membership \$11 50. Total \$17.10. We believe that such gathering should be held more frequently in connection with our Ald So-cleties. Oh ! that we may be filled with the Spirit of the Master, and be so f .ithful in his service, as to receive the well done on the other shore.

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The Woman's Missionary Aid Meeting in connection with the Cumberlard Co. Conference, met at 3 p. m., Wednesday, Oct. 7th, with Mrs. Mary Smith in the Meeting opened by singing, followed by Scripchair. ture reading by Mrs. McGregor and prayer by Mrs. Mc-Qaarrie, / We then 'had reports from representatives of the different societies present. After prayer by Mrs. Allsu Purdy, Mrs. Bates of Amherst read a paper on "The Beginnings of our work in the Telugu Field." Collection was taken which amounted to \$1 28 A very instructive exercise on "Our Telugu Field," was given by the children. We were very much pleased to have with us one of our new county secretaries, Mrs. McQuarrie, who spoke to us for a short time on the consecrated lives of some of our mission workers, and the lessons we can get for ourselves by studying those lives. Mrs. Belyes read a report from the annual meeting at Hebron, writ-ten by Mrs. Steeves of Advocate. Mrs. Smith spoke a few minutes on the Home Work, after which the meeting closed by repeating together the 23rd Psalm, The meetings throughout were delightful, and each sister present expressed a desire to make the society to which she belonged strong and more efficient to work for the Master than ever before. MABEL BELVEA, Sec'y.

Amounts Received by Treasurer of Mission Bands. FROM AUG. 19TH to OCT. 20TH.

New Tasket, F M, \$475; Morganville, F M, \$2; Am-herst Heights, Sunday School, F M, \$1.65; Fairfield, F M, \$5, H M, \$4; Westport, girl in Mrs Churchill's school, F M, \$12; Truro, B Y P U, F M, \$10; Yarmouth, (Zion church) to constitute Miss Ella MacEuan a life member, F M \$10.00 church) to constitute Miss File American Mission Bands. F M, \$15.04. MRS. IDA CRANDALL, Treas. Mission Bands. Chipman, Queens Co., N. B.

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Foreign Mission Board.

NOTES BY THE SECRETARY.

The Rev. J. A. Glendenning and wife and the Rev. S. C. Freeman sailed from Boston on the afternoon of the 22nd inst. They were happy and in good spirits. If all goes well they expect to reach their destination about the last of November. Their many friends and all lovers of our mission work will continue to bear them and the great work to which they have consecrated their lives, in their hearts before the throne of grace.

Just as soon as the friends can see their way clear to do so we should be glad to receive any offerings toward defraying the expenses of this addition to our mission It will be remembered that the Board has been staff. put to great expense in making this advance and at the same time sustaining the work already on hand.

It will be interesting to many of our people to learn the sources of income of the Foreign Mission Board of Ontario and Quebec. From churches \$13,101 19. W. M. A Societies \$9,875 ; Manitobia and N. W. Territories \$1416 75 ; British Columbia, \$173, 53 ; Sunday Schools, \$1851.55 : Y. P. Societies, \$411 7, Legacies, \$762 ; in-dividuals, \$8 206.62 ; Sundries, \$515.65. For the Bolivian mission \$1,317. The year begins with a deficit of \$7.187.

A word or two as to the above statement. It will be noted that the offerings from the churches, as such, is larger than the contributions from the Aid Societies. This is as it should be. It will also be noted that the individual offerings are also large. The fact is that there are a few of larger means who contribute largely to this work. But these offerings are not merged in that of the churches. Our people ought to be able to give us in these Provinces at least \$,5,000 for this one department of our work. We are reaching forward to that end. The splendid impetus given at Convention will surely facilitate this.

There are 38 churches with a membership of 4363. Of these churches two are entirely self supporting. There are 9 pastors and 66 evangelists. Nearly \$1500 was raised by these churches. A Home Mission Society has been organized with an income of Rs. 250. There have been a dozen native chapels erected. 90 Bibles, 16 Old Testaments, 137 New Testaments, 1399 Scripture portions and 15 SS5 books and trac is were distributed and sold, an advance on any previous year.

The number of native schools is 78 and the average at-tendance 1366. The boarding schools (boys and girls) number 9 with 304 boarders. The Seminary has had 90 studente

Of Sunday Schools there are 78, with 284 teachers having an attendance of nearly 4000. The Baptists of On-tario are doing a fine work in India and for India. They raise a large sum of money for this work. The Baptists of these Provinces are doing a fine work too. We want more money, more workers.

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Amounts received by the W. B. M. U. Treasurer. FROM OCT. 3RD TO OCT. 22ND.

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Amherst, P. O. B., \$13.

TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND.

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Will the friends who are remitting to the Treasurer or leaving the amounts at his house kindly see to it that their names and post office address accompany the re-mittance, and if possible the place where the pledge was Several dollars have already been received from persons in St. John and elsewhere without any name to indicate the contributor. Badly as the Treasurer may need cash, he does not want other peoples' money. If names do not appear in acknowledgement the above statement may account for the same.

J. W. MANNING, Treas. N. B. and P. E I.

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Sons of Temperance.

The 55th annual session of the Sons of Temperance of New Brunswick met on Thursday and Friday of last week in St. John. The Grand Wortby Patriarch, L. P. D. Tilley, was in the chair. There was a large attendance, 14 new members were initiated.

The order was reported in a good condition. The increase last year showed a net increase of 15 per cent. over that of the preceding year. In Nova Scotia the increase has been much greater. In the sister province there is one member for every 36 inhabitants. In New Brunswick there is only one member for teach 177 inhabitants, still the Province stands third on the percentage basis

The G. W. P. in his address did not recommend the formation of a third party, but that it was the present duty of all temperance workers to press the work along the lines of moral sussion, combined with a strong effort to see to the enforcement of temperance legislation as it now exists in our respective cities and counties. The Committee on the state of the order reported

through the chairman, C. A. Everett, among other things, that we believe it is the duty of all true and earnest prohibitionists to see to it that the political parties are not allowed to shelve the question of prohibition.

Dyspepsia

That means a great deal more than pain in the stomach, else it might be easily cured.

It means that that organ lacks vigor and tone and is too weak properly to perform its functions. It means, too, that much that is eaten is wasted and the system generally under-nourished.

W. A. Nugent, Belleville, Ont., had dyspepsia for years; so did H. Budan, San Luis Obispo, Cal. Mrs. C. A. Warner, Central City, Neb., was so afflicted with it she could scarcely keep anything on her stomach and became very weak and poor.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

permanently cured these sufferers, according to their own voluntary statements, as it has cured others. Take it.