

tour of twenty-five days in September. Over sixty villages were visited and many of them twice. During part of this tour Mrs. Higgins, accompanied by a Bible-woman, gave us assistance.

BUILDING.—Our equipment of mission buildings is pretty nearly complete. We spent six months in 1892 and ten in 1893 at this work. No one regrets more than the missionary himself that so much time had to be occupied in this kind of work. It would take a good deal to induce us to go through it again. - But now that it is all over, we rejoice that we have at Kimedý so comfortable a house. There are six buildings upon the compound. First the bungalow, which is almost exactly like the Bimli Mission House but smaller, and contains ample accommodation for a family and two single ladies; second, the cook-house and godowns; third, the carriage house, tent room and hen house; fourth, boys' boarding house, which contains three rooms each 15 ft. square, and of which two of the rooms can be used for preachers and their families; fifth, cow-house; sixth, chapel. All the building except the last two have tiled roofs. In addition to this a compound wall has been built all along the front of our property and a garden enclosed. It still remains to purchase a piece of land adjoining the back of what we now have. Then the erection of the line wall at the back and the building of a small house for boarding girls will be necessary. The total cost to date has been Rs. 9,643-13-2.

GENERAL.—The sisters in the Maritime Provinces kindly gave us \$100 for a tent. The tent has been ordered, and we shall soon have it ready for aggressive touring work. With our building work behind our back and a clear field before us, we trust the Gospel may be speedily preached to as many of the perishing as we can reach. But how can one missionary with four or five native preachers reach 430,000 people? He simply cannot. It is work enough to keep five or ten missionaries busy.

We put in a strong appeal for two lady missionaries for Kimedý. The sisters at home have taken up the matter in dead earnest, and we believe they will send us the two ladies just as soon as they are to be found. It was a matter of deep regret that they could not be sent this year.

STATISTICS.—Number of members 1st January, 1893, 38, numbers baptized this year 2, numbers received by letter 11, numbers dismissed 2, numbers excluded 6, numbers died 1, number of members 31st December, 1893, 42.

W. V. HIGGINS.

WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETY OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

RECEIPTS FROM APRIL 20TH TO JUNE 21ST, 1894.

Walmer Road M.B., per Mrs. Halkett, \$5; First Baptist Church, Montreal, \$9.87; Plum Hollow, \$5; Abbots Corner, \$3; Olivet, \$8.05; Lachute, \$15; Grace Church M.B., \$15; Grace Church Circle, \$6.83; Ottawa Circle (First Ch.), \$50.84; Gananoque, \$25; Brockville, \$8; Quebec, M.B., \$17; Quebec Circle, \$30; Arnprior, \$3; Algonquin, \$10; Miss Harlow (N.S.), \$4; Dominionville, \$10; Kingston, \$5; Grenville, \$8.25; Clarence, \$12; Morton, per V. Elliot, \$6; Vankleek Hill, \$3.50; Philippsville, \$10; Rockland, \$10; Roxboro, \$6. Total, \$286.34.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

THE STORY OF TUKI.

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While spending a few months lately in the beautiful city of Delhi, with its old mosques, temples and tombs, and where so many traces still remain of the Mutiny of 1857, this story was told me by a lady who receives letters now from Tuki, the little rescued one. I give it as it was narrated:

About twenty-five years ago, in the city of Delhi, there lived a very rich Hindu family, very high caste and superstitious, following all the rules laid down by their family priest, who lived in the house, and ordered all its workings. Two dear little daughters and a bright-eyed son made music and joy the day long, and all were happy and glad. Years went by, and when the little boy was about three years old another little baby girl came to the home, but alas! not to bring joy, but sorrow. She came, and all were glad till the day when the priest was called in to bless the child; but instead of blessing he cursed her, saying she was born on an unlucky day, under an unlucky star, and would be a grief and trouble to her family all the days of her life.

Poor little girl! For no fault of her own she was to live a despised life. Every little trouble that came to the family was put down to her blighting presence. For five years little Tuki dragged on her existence, slapped by one, pinched by another, and half starved, always having to eat what others left, and sent out into the cow house to eat it; dressed in rags, though every servant of the house was well dressed and fed. She was made to sleep out with the cows, and was allowed no bedding, only an old blanket which was used at times to cover the calves. Though a nervous child, and afraid of the dark, she was often sent out in the yard at all hours of the night when anything was wanted, and she was beaten unmercifully for every childish fault.

The lady who visited the zenana taught the two eldest daughters and little son; and after a time she noticed a poor, ragged little girl, with unbrushed hair, whose large, black eyes looked sad and hopeless. She used to sit in a corner of the room, and seemed to be drinking in every word when she told the children of Christ's love for little ones. When she asked who the child was, the children replied: "Only Tuki, the curse of the family. She is not our sister; she is a wicked spirit, sent to trouble our home." Days and weeks went by, and little Tuki's heart went out in love to the dear lady, who was the first and only one who in five long years had said one kind word to her, and taught her to hope for the future. Is it any wonder the child should love