

Since the holidays I have united the two bazaar schools, as the distance is not too great for the children to come. Not the least important and interesting part of work, however, is Zenana work. It is encouraging to find that there are some who are not content to settle down to the aimless life which surrounds them. Even although they leave school so young, their crude ideas have been widened a little by the few years' instruction. One of my Zenana pupils got off a letter to her father, who is at present away from home, and she is quite delighted to think she can write a letter. Her mother, too, is highly pleased.

The weather has been rather trying lately, but it is much cooler and pleasanter for the past week, as there has been very heavy rain. Usually there is a heavy rainfall in July, but it was not so this year in Central India.

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### Missionary Meeting at Neemuch.

NEEMUCH, April 28, 1890.

MRS. WILSON.—About four weeks ago we had our first missionary meeting here in Neemuch, and I should like to tell you something about it, for I know you will be as much interested in hearing of the growth of a missionary spirit here as we are in seeing it.

The meeting was held in a room on our compound, which last year we had fitted up for a library and reading-room for the native Christians. This we had been enabled to do by means of a generous gift from a friend who takes an interest in our Mission work.

On the last Friday evening of March we found all the native Christians gathered, according to invitation, in our library, and we spent the first hour, from six o'clock to seven, drinking tea and talking—had first an exceedingly pleasant tea-party. Just as at home, we find that the stimulus of tea loosens the tongue, and has a tendency to make people very good-humored and lively. Curry and rice won't do that.

First I must tell you about the company. The great majority of course were the native Christians, but some of these had brought with them friends, swelling our numbers considerably. Forty-one sat down to tea. Nine of this number were heathen. A Hindu woman with her sister and her three children, whom