

THE WORK AT HOME.

WESTPORT.—Not wishing to be behind our sister Circles in the work, and being encouraged by the success of other Bands, perhaps as weak as our own, we decided to hold an open meeting on the 2nd Dec., the proceeds of which we purposed dividing equally between Home and Foreign Missions. A good programme had been prepared, and the weather being favorable, the church was well filled with a delighted audience. Our worthy President, Mrs. Adams, occupied the chair. The meeting was opened by singing the hymn, "All hail the power of Jesus' name," followed by prayer by Mrs. Emerson, after which the 35th chapter of Isaiah was read by Mrs. Adams. Then followed (interspersed with music by the Choir) a recitation by Mrs. Compeau, a reading by Mrs. Hunt, an excellent paper on Home Mission work by Mrs. Adams, a dialogue in costume, entitled, a "Telugu girl's story," by three young ladies, and a very interesting and instructive paper on Foreign Mission work by Mrs. Emerson. Mrs. Arnold then made an earnest appeal to the people on behalf of the heathen, after which a silver collection, amounting to \$8, was taken up, and the meeting was brought to a close by singing the Doxology. On the 11th Dec. we held an open meeting at Newboro', but the weather being unfavorable, it was not very well attended. However, the people present were delighted with the entertainment, and we took up a collection amounting to \$5, which we considered very good. Altogether, the meetings were a success, and we feel that God has blessed our efforts.

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LONDON.—The four B. M. Circles (Home and Foreign combined) met in Talbot St. Baptist church, February 2nd.

At 4 p.m. the meeting opened with devotional exercises, followed by words of welcome from the President of Talbot St. H. M. C. to the invited members of the Sister-Circles, and an earnest request for special prayer because of God's providential care over, and blessings bestowed upon our missionaries in the Foreign Field, as well as those on the way thither. After prayer, not only for these special mercies but also for all mission work, an earnest, practical and beautifully written paper prepared by Miss McLeod on "Our duties in regard to our Union Meetings" was read. Then a duett "Numberless as the Sands of the Sea" by Mrs. Rickert and Miss Norton, and a little talk by Mrs. Weld, on "What are we individually doing for the spread of the gospel among our neighbors," which if we made practical, each member present must be instrumental in extending Christ's kingdom even in our own midst. Following these came a recent report on Indian work by Miss Jeffrey, and one on Grand Ligne by Mrs. Edwards, and letters (by Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Robertson) full of tender loving utterances, because of the privilege of being called to share in such noble work, from Misses Hatch and Stovel.

This Session, so interesting and highly profitable, adjourned that all might enjoy social conversation while tea was served.

At 8 p.m. the meeting, now thrown open to the public, was resumed when thoughtful, earnest addresses bearing on Missions, were given by Revs. W. H. Porter and W. McKay. Music was furnished by the Choir, also a solo by Miss Aggie McLeod. A dialogue "The call of the Nations," by members of the M. B., and a collection of \$10 brought to a close a meeting, which must be productive of increased energy and zeal on the part of those

already banded together for the uplifting of those still sunken in idolatry, through the spread of the Word of Life, and influencing many more to unite with them in this great work.

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New Circle.

TORONTO, SHERIDAN AVENUE MISSION.—Home and Foreign Mission Circle formed December 12th, with nineteen members. Officers:—Mrs. J. Roney, *President*; Mrs. J. Scath, *Vice-President*; Mrs. Secord, *Treasurer*; Mrs. T. H. McConnell, *Secretary*.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

More About Greenland.

In 1731 two young men were busy digging in some ground belonging to Count Zinzendorf. He had given this land to the persecuted Christians of Moravia. Resting awhile in their hard labor, they began to talk of Hans Egede and his noble work for the heathen in Greenland. Matthew Stach, twenty years old, had been sent away from his home for becoming a Christian. His companion Frederick Boehnisch, twenty-one years old, had also suffered persecution for Christ's sake. This day as these two young men talked together each expressed a wish to go and be a helper to Hans Egede. They both knelt down and prayed that God would lead them in the right way. Then they told the Church people of their wish. Count Zinzendorf told them about the many hardships, difficulties and dangers which Egede had suffered. Some of the elder men shook their heads about the plan, and said, "These boys just want to be off for a trip." But they kept on asking to be allowed to go, as God had plainly shown them that there was work to do for Him in that far-off-land. They said they wanted no salary, just to be taken in a ship to Greenland. Some one asked how they would support themselves. They answered, "With the blessing of God we will work with our hands and get food." But they were told the soil was too frozen to cultivate and that there was no wood to build a house to live in. "Then we will dig a hole in the ground and live in it," was their reply.

At last their wish was granted; after years of hard work at the language and great self-denial they became successful missionaries. Other young men came out to join them. One of these, John Beck, had been in prison for being a follower of Jesus Christ, but climbed the high walls and made his escape. He was pursued with bloodhounds but managed to reach a place of safety. One of the first scenes he saw here was the setting apart of some young men for the Greenland Mission. He longed that he might join them, and at last was permitted to do so. I have just been reading a long account of the work done by this little band. One day in 1738, John Beck was sitting in his hut when he saw a band of Greenlanders coming. They wondered at his "making paper speak," and asked him to read what he had written. So he read about Jesus and the great love which had brought Him down from heaven to die for sinners. At last one savage named Kayarnak stepped up closer to Beck and said, "How is it? Tell me once more, for I too would be saved." After long years of sowing the good seed and seeing no results, these words filled Beck's heart with joy. He says tears of gladness rolled down his cheeks