

Gospel. Being one of the people, she knows them as we foreigners cannot, and, therefore, she can appeal to them as we never can. Annebai is one of the first fruits of 'higher education,' for women in India."

"BRIGHT HOPE FOR INDIA."—I have never in my whole missionary life felt so hopeful of the triumph of the gospel in India as to-day. Unless I am greatly mistaken in reading the signs of the times, the antagonism to Christianity on the part of the educated classes, that has been so pronounced the last few years, is on the wane, and there is a slow but sure movement toward the gospel. The revolt from materialism is as marked here as in Europe and America; attempts to reform Hinduism have ended in acknowledged failure; theosophy has been tried and found wanting; and the eyes of thoughtful Hindus are mistakenly turning to Christ as the one and only fulfillment of their hopes. Precisely in what way the Lord will lead this people to Himself, I would not dare to prophesy—for "My ways are not your ways," saith the Lord—but that he is moving among the high and the low in this great land, and preparing the way for the coming of His kingdom, is manifest to all who have eyes to see.—J. H. Wyckoff in *The Mission Field*.

The Queen of Mantua, Samoa, on the occasion of opening a new church in the capital town of the Samoa group, May 26, 1895, said: "My last word to you is to urge you to accept and obey Christ's new commandment, which He gave to His disciples and to each and all: 'Love one another.' How can a people be blessed if God's Word is not obeyed? And this is His special command to us, to you all, that we should all strive to have love, the one to the other. May God bless and help you all to obey Him, and then will true blessedness come to these islands of Mantua."

TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

Amount received by the Treasurer of the W. B. M. U. during quarter ending Oct. 31st, 1895.

	F	M	H	M	Total
Rec'd from Nova Scotia W. M. A. S.	\$536	01	\$50	92	\$586 93
" " " " " Mis. Bands...	46	17	3	51	49 68
" " " " " Sunday S's.	4	50	5	15	9 65
" " " " " New Brunswick W. M. A. S.	319	91	37	23	356 94
" " " " " Mis. Bands.	5	00	2	30	7 30
" " " " " Sunday S's			1	00	1 00
" " " " " P. E. Island W. M. A. S.	104	04	7	50	112 54
" " " " " Sunday S's.	6	00			6 00
" " " " " Annual Collection.					54 74
" " " " " Sale of picture (Father Harding).					16 80
" " " " " Tidings \$3, An'l Rep \$80c					3 73
					\$1204 91

Expenditure.

Paid J. W. Manning, Treas. F. M. B.	\$1550	00
" Cohoon, Treas. H. M. B.	571	23
" I. S. Titus, Treas. Sep. Cou. H. M.	53	77
" H. E. Sharpe, Treas. N. W. M.	625	00
" Joseph Richards, Treas. G. L. M.	150	00
" Annual Reports, \$74.17, transit on same	64c	82 81
" Stationery, \$7.55, postage per Sec. N. S.	\$5.	12 85
" Printing Tidings		7 80
" Drafts, discounts, postage		8 26
		\$3061 72

MARY SMITH,
Treas. W. B. M. U.

Amherst, Oct. 31, 1895.

FROM THE AID SOCIETIES AND MISSION BANDS.

GRANVILLE CENTRE.—The Secretary writes: Crusade Day was observed by our Society. In the morning we prayed for the work in our own homes. In the afternoon we visited our sisters in the Churoh who are not members of our Society; and our hearts were cheered by several promising to join us. Our meetings are characterized by a large degree of earnestness and consecration, and we are hopeful for the future.

LOWER CANARD.—The Secretary writes: Circumstances prevented our observing Crusade Day until Oct. 23rd. On that afternoon about fifteen of the sisters met and held a devotional meeting of praise and prayer. Each sister brought a thank-offering for God's numberless blessings during the year. The offerings were in envelopes enclosed with a verse of Scripture. When these were opened they were found to contain \$13. These with some funds already on hand were sufficient to make an invalid sister in our Society a Life Member of the W. B. M. U. Each offering was given with a prayer, so we feel assured that God will make it the means of bringing some poor darkened soul into the light. In the evening we held a public missionary meeting, with readings, recitations, and music. Our pastor, Rev. C. H. Martell, also gave an address.

SACKVILLE, N. B., had an encouraging meeting on Crusade Day. Some who were present have promised to join. The Treasurer sent \$34.25, \$25 of which is from Mrs. C. Christie in memory of her aunt, Miss Emily Cahill, who was one of the charter members in the W. M. A. Society of Sackville.

KING'S, N. S.—Mrs. Gullison, Co. Sec., writes: On Oct. 11th we organized a Mission Band at Meadowvale with 23 members: Pres., Mrs. J. C. Banks; Vice-Pres, Miss Maud Welton; Sec., Miss Flora Banks. As far as known up to date, 15 were added in King's Co., to the membership of the Aid Societies. This number will probably be increased as others are heard from.

FREDERICTON, N. B.—At a regular meeting of the W. M. A. S., held Oct. 8th, the following resolution was passed: "The members of the Woman's Missionary Aid Society in connection with the Baptist church, Fredericton, feel very deeply the great loss they have sustained in the death of Mrs. T. H. Porter, who, during the twenty-five years of her residence among us, was unwearied in her devotion to the cause she so dearly loved. She has been Vice-President of the Society for some length of time, and at the last annual meeting was elected President. We hoped to have her for many years as a co-worker, but our Heavenly Father ordered otherwise, and He knoweth best. We shall miss her kindly presence, her helpful words and her earnest work among us; but still we feel the inspiration of her Christian life, wholly devoted to the Lord. To the bereaved family we tender our deep sympathy in their great sorrow.

On behalf of the Society,

E. L. ESTEY, Sec.

It is with deep regret that we publish the above. Mrs. Porter was one of our most active workers during our annual gathering, in St. John. So bright, and full of loving sympathy for those of us who had been ill during the year! How little we thought, as she lovingly bid us to be very careful of health, that she would first hear the Master say, "Come!" Promoted to higher service, she says to each one of us her fellow-workers, "Be ye also ready, for in such an hour as ye think not, your Lord will come."

SCOTCH VILLAGES, N. S.—It is with very thankful hearts that we can report, through the LINK, another W. M. A. S. in connection with the Newport Church. On Wednesday, Oct. 30th, at the residence of Mrs. Daniel Parker, Oakland,