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UNFAILING PROMISES.

Spring has come upon us with all its beauty. "The great miracle of nature that still goes on in silence round us," reveals anew the working of those unseen forces which were latent during the rigor of winter. In the warm rays of the sun they put forth rich life and beauty, illustrating what Bryant says, "The work of God's creation finished, but renewed forever," reminding us of the Divine promise, "While the earth remaineth, seed-time and harvest . . . shall not cease." So in the spiritual world, God's promise is sure, "My Word shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Our missionaries have been sowing the good seed of the kingdom for years, sometimes with little apparent results, but the heaven has been silently working, and now God seems about to pour out His Spirit graciously upon our mission fields, numbers turning from their idols to serve the Living God. While the missionary staff is much reduced at present, and the Lord is shewing His power "to work by many or by few," still an urgent call comes to us for more workers and more money to gather in the ripening harvest. There are those ready and qualified to go, and only lack of funds prevents our sending them.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Board was held Friday, May 15th, at 2 p.m. Fifteen were present. Mrs. Booker presided, opening the meeting by reading 1 Cor. 13, followed by earnest prayer for guidance in our work. It was a great pleasure to have Miss Hatch and Miss McLaurin with us. A Program Committee was appointed to prepare for the Convention in November. The Board accepted with hearty thanks the offer of the St. George Circle to again contribute (\$25.00 extra) for Dr. Hulet's salary, to be paid between June 1st, 1903, and June 1st, 1904. The Treasurer stated that \$60 less than last year had been contributed by the

Circles, largely owing to the fact that twenty Circles had failed in the usual annual thank-offerings.

After very earnest discussion it was decided to appeal to the Circles through THE LINK for united efforts to raise the special estimate for Village Schools and Samulcotta Seminary, and more, if possible, to help the General Board in its present stringency.

An application was received from a young lady to go to India in the autumn of 1904, but no action could be taken owing to the financial position.

Interesting letters were read from Miss Baskerville and Miss Morrow, also one from Mrs. McLeod who is at present in B. C. After several prayers a very interesting meeting closed.

A. MOYLE,
Rec. Sec.

At the Women's Foreign Mission Board held May 15th, an application for service in India was received from a young lady, who seemed in every way suitable for the work. This led to a discussion as to the advisability of sending more lady missionaries at present, with financial need pressing upon the General Board and urgent demands for male missionaries in India, there being now only four on eight fields, two having come home on account of failing health sooner than they had intended. The Women's Board urge all the Christian women of our churches to make special prayer and effort to help the work at this most critical time of our missions in India. The Women's Work is for the Women and Children of Heathendom, and Village Schools and the Samalkota Seminary might well be counted in it. Indeed, we used to support much of this work, but let it drop in order to send more lady missionaries; we promised to take up some of it again this year if funds came in for the purpose. So far, we have not been able to do anything towards it. Will not those who love the Lord pray without ceasing and give of their means that the work in India, at this time, may not suffer.