

and his God, and henceforth all his thoughts turned to the distant East.

While he was a boy attending the Sunday School at Port Hope, Martha Perry, a little girl, attended the same school. Her mother was a member of the Baptist Church there. Subsequently her family removed to Rochester, and while John was there pursuing his studies he visited them. The friendship between Martha and himself deepened into love, and on Sept. 20th, 1877, they were married. She was a gentle, earnest Christian, and for the few years she was permitted to live in India, was her husband's true helpmeet.

Before his marriage he had left Whitby, and was preparing for the long voyage. The time for their departure was now approaching, and on Oct. 10th, 1877, a farewell meeting was held in the Baptist Church at Port Hope. At this meeting in addition to addresses by the ministers of the town, there were addresses by Rev. John Dempsey and Rev. A. V. Timpany.

On Oct. 18th, 1877, the annual meeting of the Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec was held in the Jarvis St. Church, Toronto. Rev. Dr. Fyfe, President of the Society, was chairman. The *Year Book* for 1878 contains the following interesting report:

"The Rev. John Craig, B.A., missionary elect to the Telugus was then set apart for the foreign work. The services which were of an exceedingly impressive and solemn character were conducted as follows:

1. Welcome to the work, by Rev. A. V. Timpany.
2. Prayer of Designation, by Rev. G. Richardson.
3. Hand of fellowship, by Rev. Dr. Davidson.
4. Charge to the missionary, by Rev. Dr. Stewart.
5. Response by Rev. John Craig.
6. Valedictory hymn, 'With you always,' composed for the occasion by Mrs. J. C. Yule.
7. The hand of fellowship and farewell on behalf of Jarvis St. Church, of which Bro. Craig is a member, was tenderly given by the pastor, Dr. Castle.
8. Collection, after which the President pronounced the benediction, and a meeting which will long be remembered, was brought to a close."