

THE FOREIGN MAIL BOX.

KOTAGIRI NILGIRIS.

June 2, 1916.

Dear LINK Readers:

I write to let you know that our very good and generous benefactor, Mrs. (Dr.) Kellock, has passed to her reward. She suffered for a long, long time, and for fifteen long months had to have special nursing. Her interest in the lepers was very intense. You may remember that she had said that from a child she had always longed to be a help to them.

I will quote to you her own words, written to me after reading of the very large number of lepers constantly seen on the Ramachandrapuram field, and for whom no provision had as yet been made, in the "Without the Camp" of April, 1899. She writes:—

"I have been thinking very much during the past year of the sad and lonely condition of the poor, suffering lepers all over the world, and while these thoughts were occupying my mind day after day your letter came that was published in the last number of 'Without the Camp.' After reading it over and over, I saw that here was the way opened for me, and so I conferred with no one, but simply laid the matter before the Lord. . . . My heart has gone out to the poor lepers since I was a child, reading the wonderful story of our Lord healing them. It is my prayer that very many of them may come to the Lord Jesus, and thank Him, for it is for His sake that it is all done." Her "little" was the sum of \$2,000, and more gifts later on, given in memory of her lately deceased husband. Her prayer that many may come to the Lord Jesus has been wonderfully answered, and we have had these come to us who have even thanked the Lord that they had been smitten with leprosy, because by that means they had learned of salvation in Christ. Had they remained well in their own villages, they might never have heard of this wonderful soul's salvation.

Because of Mrs. Kellock's large gifts to the institution, the first home was named after her husband, but others gave her the purchase of the land, and for part of the buildings.

Then it was Mrs. Kellock that first interested another widow, Mrs. Boulter, whose munificence gave us the beautiful Albert Boulter Memorial Home for Women Lepers, situated in the midst of a lovely grove of lime, mango and other fruit trees.

These names will be ever held in high honor by all who know of the work in Ramachandrapuram.

Yours very sincerely,

E. I. HATCH.

THE "DR. KELLOCK HOME."

Ramachandrapuram, May 26, 1916.

Dear Mother in Christ:

We, the poorest and most helpless lepers of the "Kellock Home," are writing to your honor about our beloved Mrs. Kellock.

Even though we are quite neglected and are driven away by our relatives, you, the foreign people, are lovingly taking us as your own children and friends. Among those loving people, God gave us Mrs. Kellock, who was the cause of establishing this home called by her husband's name as a memorial, and to whom we are deeply thankful.

We really felt deep sorrow when we heard Mrs. Kellock had been called to her reward. As it is written in Rev. 14: 13, we must be happy for the dead are blessed.

She loved us so much as her own children and gave us nice and comfortable rooms to live in, and a chapel to pray in. One cannot but admire Mrs. Kellock for her loving kindness, who gave us not only comfort, but happiness and joy.

Even though she has gone to her reward, this Home will be a remembrance forever. We have never forgotten Mrs. Kellock in our Home prayers and daily prayers. We hope that God the Father will give peace and joy to her relatives and friends.

We had a memorial service, conducted by Dr. John Joshee, of which Mrs. Joshee would be writing to you.

Best Christian regards to you.

On behalf of the lepers of the Dr. Kellock Home,

S. D. SAMUEL,

Pastor David's Son.