

THE CANADIAN MISSIONARY LINK.

PORT ARTHUR.—The Women's Mission Circle held their third open meeting on Nov. 27th. It was a grand success in every sense of the word. The church was literally packed by an appreciative and attentive audience. The most interesting feature of the programme was a stirring and eloquent address on "Missions," by Rev. Mr. Pringle. The other exercises were varied, and pleasing. The quartettes, solos and choruses were well rendered. We find a great difficulty in getting suitable missionary music, and would be glad if any one would kindly suggest, through the LINK, any music of this class, which we could obtain. Among the readings were: "As Others See Us," "The Preacher's Vacation," "Temple Builders," "The Cypress Tree of Cylon," and a few others. The ladies took their part well in the dialogues; namely: "The Inheritance of the Heathen," and "Sowing Light." The latter was given in costume, with great effect. The collection taken up at the close amounted to over \$30. Many are asking when we intend having the next. It will be held in the town hall. There is now about \$70 in the treasury. We have bought about twenty-five books as the nucleus for a Mission Library. There were seven new members received at our meeting this week. The average attendance for the last quarter was thirty-nine. The subject considered this month was, "The Indians of the North-West, their Claims and Needs."

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New Circles.

TIMPANY MEMORIAL HALL,
Cocanada, India.

I feel sure your readers will be pleased to hear of a little band styled "Little Helpers in Heathen Lands" formed in Cocanada.

The first meeting of this little band was held on the 27th Oct., 1888, in the Timpany Memorial Hall. The members elected for the committee were Miss E. Gibson as President, Miss A. Ensell, Vice-President, and Miss Eaton as Sec.-Treasurer.

The number of members on the roll was 7 children, and 3 visitors were present. At this meeting it was proposed that the children should be given texts to learn for the next meeting, unless they choose to find their own text.

The first regular meeting of the "Little Helpers" was held on the 24th Nov., 1888. It was opened with a hymn, entitled "Come to the Saviour make no delay," then followed a prayer and after that the texts were repeated by the children and then commenced the programme of readings and recitations by the little ones, who did their best to make the meeting interesting. The meeting was closed with the hymn, "When He cometh." There were 5 additional members enrolled, making in all 12 members, besides 3 visitors.

We hope that all the dear readers of the LINK will pray for our little band, that we may be a power for much good in this heathen land, where so much ignorance and superstition prevails and that we may in the true sense of the word be "Little Helpers," and do much towards helping our fellowmen, and in furthering the cause of Christianity.

ELEANOR EATON,
Secretary.

15th December, 1888.

A new Society was formed on New Year's day at North-west, about three miles from Mahone Bay, Lunenburg Co., with twelve members. A good way in which to begin the year.

WOODSTOCK, N. B.—W. M. Association Society, organized in Albert st. church, Nov. 16th. Officers: Mrs. T. Todd, Pres.; E. J. Grant, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. W. S. Saunders, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Miss Sadie Leighton, Rec.-Sec.; Mrs. W. F. Hay, Cor.-Sec.; Miss Annie J. Fisher, Treas. Eighteen members.

GRAVENHURST.—Mission Circle organized Jan. 6th, by Mrs. Bingham, Mrs. Langworthy, Pres.; Mrs. Saunders, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Grant, Sec.; Mrs. Thomas, Treas.;

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

Work for the Little Ones.

There is no little child too small
To work for God;
There is a mission for us all
From Christ the Lord.

'Tis not enough for us to give
Our wealth alone;
We must entirely for Him live,
And be His own.

Though poverty our portion be,
Christ will not alight
The lowest little one, so he
With God be right.

Father, oh give us grace to see
A place for us;
Where, in Thy vineyard, we for Thee
May labor thus.

—Presbyterian Record.

More About China.

If we could visit some of the missionaries to China that Hudson Taylor tells us about their stories of that far-off land it would give us plenty to think about. As we cannot go to-night, let me tell you a few stories Mr. Taylor tells of his workers. (Remember, as yet there is only one missionary in China to each half-million of Chinese). One young man tells of the trouble he had in renting part of a house for his meetings in a new town. Nobody wanted the "foreigner"! At last, one man, who wanted money to buy opium, consented. The pictures in some Chinese geographies are made to show a foreigner to be half man and half beast. This landlord seemed to have some fear that the missionary would resemble these pictures. He was quite relieved to see his error, and after talking a little while said, "He speaks our words just as we do." Then the people from the city began to come in to see the strange man, and the missionary had many opportunities to speak of Christ. The visitors were from all classes, the wealthy banker dressed in long silk robes, as well as the poor beggar. Some of the questions they asked would sound silly to us, but they were all kind to the stranger, and God helped him to begin a good work there. Another missionary tells of many Chinese who seek to obtain forgiveness of sins by self-denial. One man told him, "I am most righteous now, for I have stopped eating onions, garlic, eggs, meat, or using tobacco." But he was not happy until he learned of Jesus and the true way of salvation. Another tells of a Chinese beggar, a leper, almost as destitute as Lazarus, and like him, full of sores. He would stay day and night at the mission gate