

It made some one happy here but there are so many it is difficult to remember everything.

There are three doors, real doors opening on the front verandah, and if you will look behind them all, you will see holes in the wall that I had made some fourteen years ago in which bars were to rest to prevent the doors from being opened from the outside. I was here alone then and without these poles the doors were very insecure and there were thieves in those days. Step out on the verandah and look at the Indian ferns in large pots one in each corner. They are quite fresh and green but the sun is shining in there and it is much hotter than in the room, so you will not stay long.

But you have been here a long while now and must go home and I must go to work. Some day if you care to return, we will visit around the compound and may see a snake. Miss Wright killed one in her room the other day, and I should be glad to have you call about 6.30 some morning and be present at the Telegu prayers with the servants. For about two months I have been reading to them out of Revelations; and they can tell you where John was and why and many things that he saw and wrote of. We are satisfied that one and perhaps more of the servants are Christians and one said to me one morning "how good this tastes," and at another time "this is food" Yesterday morning we read about that beautiful city and its size and one said in Telugu, that surpasses all English for expression, "how big it is it would reach away down beyond Madras" which is nearly five hundred miles away. He went on to ask "if that town would be full?" I told him of the many Telegus and others who would be there. Then we talked about the gates, which were ever open and some said the Hindus have a festival just after our Christmas during which they say it is a good time to die because the twelve gates of their heaven are always open then and all may enter, who will; but they are shut during the remainder of the year and only opened to admit the really good. Could you understand the Telegu and they not be shy of you, I am sure you would enjoy hearing their remarks and watching their faces.

When you get home please do not forget to pray for them and us and for all the hundreds of thousands of idolators on these fields also the weak Christians who make so much care and work for the missionary.

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