

bank God for the sweet, sweet story
 We mothers have come to know,
 Of Jesus who blessed little children
 Because He loved them so.

No dread that the dear little spirit—
 Must enter the wild beast's form,
 And roam in the lonely jungle,
 The sport of the cruel storm.

No, baby, the tears are falling,
 In my heart there is no gloom ;
 For our Lord has passed before thee,
 And rended the prison tomb.

So I lay thee away, my darling,
 With a mother's longing pain ;
 But I know through Jesus, somewhere, some time,
 I shall find my baby again.

—*Helping Hand.*

Our Lady Representatives in India.*

In thinking of the meaning of that word "representatives," it struck me forcibly that for more than 22,000 Baptist women in Ontario and Quebec, a representation in India, consisting of five missionaries, was a very small rate. However, though they are few in comparison with the numbers at home, they are a "select few," and it would be difficult to find anywhere as earnest a band of servants of our Lord as those who work in Telugu land, in our stead.

The first missionary sent out by the Baptist women of these two provinces was Miss Frith, whose face and words, since her return on account of broken health, are too familiar for me to attempt to describe her to an associational gathering in Toronto. As the first missionary, devoting her time to zenana work, she toiled nobly, often in physical weakness, and she has laid a good foundation whereon others are now building, though she is laboring in this country.

But this paper has to do with the present staff of workers on our foreign field. They are: Miss Hatch, from Woodstock; Miss Baskerville, from Dundas; Miss Stovel, from Mount Forest; Miss Simpson, from Paris, and Miss Rogers, from the Bloor St. church, Toronto. These all find an appropriate field for developing their varied talents in positions as varied.

We have one more lady, an honorary missionary, Miss Folsom, who is at present home in Michigan, nursing her aged mother. Miss Folsom does not draw any support from our Board, though practically in India she worked and ranked as a missionary. She was Principal of the Timpany Memorial School, Cocabanda, where English-speaking children are educated, but after school hours she went out with the Bible women to work in the town. The fees from the children's parents partly provided for her support, and the rest was contributed by friends at home. So far during her absence, the length of which it is not here to determine, Mrs. Walker has given her services as principal, gratuitously.

Miss Hatch fills an important post in Samulcotta Seminary, having entire charge of the department of Bible study. When we remember that in this college are trained the native preachers (upon whom must devolve the evangelization of the people), the teachers (who are

to exercise their influence, not alone on the children of Christians, but also on many from heathen households), and various other assistants whom the missionaries require, we can realize somewhat of the responsibility resting upon Miss Hatch. To train these students, to be valiant soldiers of the Cross, is no task to be lightly held, and for efficient service they must be equipped with the "sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God." Those of us who listened to the report given by Miss Annie Hatch, of the course of study they are expected to accomplish, must have felt that our study of the Bible has not been deserving of the name as compared with that bestowed upon it by those who so lately knew nothing of the precious Gospel.

Synopsis of half-year's work in Class.

JUNIOR CLASS.—Genesis, chaps. 1-25, so read by pupils that they can give, without book reference, the outline of each chapter, a little sketch of the life of each principal person, and the genealogy from Adam to Abraham.

MIDDLE CLASS.—Exodus, chaps. 1-40, so read that the pupils can give an outline of each chapter, a sketch of Moses' life, a general plan of the tabernacle, together with a description of the appurtenances thereof, and repeat by rote the commandments. The Acts of the Apostles, chaps. 1-21, so read that pupils can give an outline of each chapter, Paul's journeys in detail, showing all places of note, and tracing the journeys on the map, and other particulars.

SENIOR CLASS.—I Samuel, chaps. 1-21, read similarly to the above. I and II Thessalonians, Galatians, Colossians, so read that pupils can give a more exhaustive outline than that of other classes, together with the general plan and purpose of each letter.

The work in Samulcotta has had two important changes: the first, the formation into a separate church of those students whose homes are in Samulcotta and Yellapalem, called the Samulcotta church. All the other students then brought their letters of dismissal from the various churches to which they belonged to the Seminary church, thus forming two bands for active work. A result of the organization of the Seminary church was the most important movement of the year, long and prayerfully expected both here and in India. It came about on this wise. The membership appointed committees for the oversight of different branches of work; one of these, under the guidance of Miss Hatch, was for the study of mission work among other peoples. This committee invited Mr. Davis to come from Cocabanda to address one of their "foreign mission meetings." He spoke of self-support among the Karens, and the Spirit of God so used his words and other earnest utterances which followed, that forty of the students have volunteered to go out to preach to their own people without any support from the mission funds. This involves great sacrifice on their part, but we feel confident that it is the right way, and that the Master of the vineyard will surely reward them for it. This movement means so much for the future, that I have dwelt at length upon its starting point.

Miss Hatch has other work in the town; visiting the homes, and also having the oversight of the work of two Bible women in different parts of the field, and five "occasional visitors" in Samulcotta. These are teachers' wives and others, who go out as they find time, to speak to individuals and to visit households, carrying the blessed news of salvation to those who are yet in darkness. Then there is a village school, with a woman teacher, who is improving it very much, and two Sunday schools

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