

your earnest prayers that we may be strengthened both in body and spirit for this great work ; and that those who are wavering may be given strength to come right out and confess Christ before men ; and that when they have come they may be given strength to stand firm in the face of all persecution.

The new band of missionaries arrived on November 20th in Bombay and in Mhow on November 22nd. It was with feelings of joy we welcomed them to India and to the work. Not only is the work in each station greatly in need of more helpers, but their coming from the dear home land seemed to bring new life to the work and to us. God grant that we may have another band as large or larger at the close of this year.

On Friday, December 23rd, before closing my school for the Christmas week, I gave all my girls a picture-card, most of them were old Christmas cards; some were advertisement cards. I had brought a few of these with me and the others I had got out of last year's mission-box. I cannot tell you how delighted the little ones were with these cards, some of which Canadian children would scarcely have thought worth picking up. The Christmas cards that we would think really pretty did not please them nearly so much as the brighter colored and more common ones did. These cards, together with some country *mati* (candy) and fruit, seemed to satisfy them for the disappointment of not having the Canadian presents from the mission-boxes here. I had told them that in two or three more months those boxes would arrive. Next morning, however, I heard of the loss of the boxes on the fated *Roumania*. Oh, how thankful we are that our heavenly Father prevented Dr. Reid's buying the tickets for our new missionaries to come by that vessel.

On Thursday night, December 22nd, Dr. and Mrs. Buchanan's dear little baby girl went to be with Jesus. They had loved their child fondly, and it was exceedingly hard for them to give her up. But when she was really gone home, they bore the

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