Woman's Work.

To the Sisters.

WE ARE LABORERS TOORTHER WITH GOD.

This should be the spiritual position held by overy man and woman who is a child of God by faith in Christ Jesus. Especially and emphatically should it be true in its fullest sense of those who, like ourselves, are professing to work for the spread of the gospel. Think one moment of the honor and dignity of such a position-" Laborers together with God." boliove if during the next month we were to make those few words our careful study, it would have a wonderful effect upon us. Let us each for herself ask the question (and insist on its being answered too) "Am I a laborer with God and to what oxtent !"

In the first place, are we as members of promote the welfare and further the intorests of our own Auxiliary, and to make our meetings profitable and pleasant? I would like to press this question home to the heart of each one. An old proverb -of which I used to get tired in my young days, but which is perfectly true nevertheless-says, "What is worth doing is worth doing well." I think if we apond the next month in careful prayorful thought on the subject of being laborers with God, our next meeting will possibly oe an improvement. We should bo to warmed, so enthusiastic, so grateful for the honor of our position, that we should long for the time to come when we should have liberty to give voice to our feelings. I believ our respective presidents might call upon any of us to engage in prayer and find us ready to respond, and it would perhaps become necessary to make some part of the session a prayermeeting which would do all of us good. I am sure that at the scripture response at roll-call, we would have some verse so burnt into our hearts and memories that it would be easier' to repeat it than not to. Our general reading, too, would be controlled by the dignity of our position, and we should be so much on the alert on the subject of the spread of the Saviour's kingdom that we should surely meet with something so strikingly intereating that we should be glad to give the others the benefit of it, and so a spontancous program would be prepared which would gladden our hearts and be a means of great spiritual advancement.

Mrs. J. E. L.

A Suggestion.

In looking over the various religious periodicals of the day, one is impressed by the great advances being made in regard along this line. Here is a voice from to missionary work, church building, etc., another one: "I wish our sisters had from its baleful results. I have treated among our people; and it makes the a column or so in the Evanoritist about one hundred cases, and most bare righteous soul rejoice, while none who do regularly filled with something helpful been cured for longer or shorter times. sire the prosperity of Zion would have it to struggling Mission Bands. I think habit, because they only gave up because it would rather these hopeful it would be a great assistance if we they were too poor to have more of the signs would increase and multiply. Then right along in the next column we would had regular subjects simultaneously in like to read some good, wholesome advice, all the Bande." and auggestions portaining to practical, everyday life; for it is vastly easier to that we should have a programme man gets to the depth of poverty he remake an occasional effort and give a few propared for each monthly meeting, dollars now and then, than to keep one's and I heartily approve it. It had been body in subjection at all times -especially in my mind to bring that very thought Quite a number are quit of their old that "unruly member" which the Apostlo | before our Annual Mooting, and if ap-James says so much about. Besides, it seems to me that no amount of money could atone for the baleful influence of appointed who should prepare the substrife and divisions among brothren, in jects for the coming year. I believe direct opposition to the law of leve laid the interest in our work, and its effici- may be to get rid of this evil habit, and down by our Saviour. And then the ency, can be greatly increased by har-lonly later may be resolve to "quit his naturally shrowd man, when he drives a ling subjects prepared by sisters who meanness" generally. Our old gateman sharp bargain, cases his conscience by an | can give us information concerning it | was cured of opium smoking three or four oxtra offering, thus replenishing the Lord's treatury and his own by a little scheme that does not come under legal restrictions.

Now, it may be urged that no Christian should indulge in questionable tactics; granted, but the fact remains. And while money, and a great deal of it, is needed, still we contend that the money which is small fishing village. Noticing a peculiar will perhaps tell you that he formerly had Northern Business College offered to the Lord should be clean money. small from the solitary cup of " wine" on a farm and other property, but that he has And so the daily record of our lives, to be the table, he called to his steward, an old "sown the wind and reaped the whirlaccoptable in His sight, should be pure sea captain, and asked, "What have you wind." He may have been a mechanic, and holy. But, alas! how easy it is to put in the cup?" "Whiskey and water, a cook or other servant carning good stumble. Hence the need of kindly ad- air !" "What ever is that for !" said the wages, but no one will now employ him, monitions words of good choor and expe- herrified minister. "Well, you see," said and he is reduced to the condition of not rience from those who are older in the the old salt, quite innocently, "we hadn't having "above him a single tile, or relative to the course of study, terms, etc., address cause, and, mayhap, atronger in the faith. any wine, and I thought anything would below him enough to bore a gimlet Dear brothers and sisters, let us strengthen | do, so long as it was intoxicating."

each other and our faith in the gospel, so that we may be able to say, "Lord, not my money alono; but my heart, my hands, my voice, inyself, I give for Thy service." MRS. WM. ANOLE.

Waintleet, April 7th.

The sisters in Owen Sound were desirous of having some American sister of experience in the work with them in the Annual Meeting. The members of our Board were conforred with and all agreed that it would be a great pleasure to have with us some of our dear sisters who are older and more experienced in the work than we are, but all were of one mind on this —that it would not be wise to incur the expense of bringing some one, ospecially in view of the fact that there to not yet nearly enough money in the the O. C. W. B. M. doing all we can to treasury to redeem our pledges for the present year. We sincerely hope that before the close of this month our Treasurer may be able to make a different statement. We feel sure that our sisters do not need to be oxhorted in regard to giving all that was among the churches. This is unquestionhave a clear record in the matter of reach the limit of our ability. indebtedness, for our coming meeting.

> We shall greatly regret it if any of our sistors shall be discouraged or deterred from attending the meeting because of our inability to have with us some sister from abroad. That is only an added reason why all should come. If every sister attending will reach the opium smoker. It seemed about feel a personal responsibility for the success of the meeting, the absence of talent from abroad will prove to be a blessing to us instead of a source of weaknoss. Como, then, dear sisters, his terrible longing until it passes away. and let us talk together of our Saviour's love, and of the work He has committhat can nover grow old and can never be exhausted. They are more than enough to, fill our hearts and hands not only during the meeting but "Till Jesus Comes.

The suggestion by "A Sister" in the last Evangerist is worthy of note and ought to be acted upon. This work is new to us all, and we greatly need the assistance that can be gained by a free interchange of our best thoughts and methods of work. It is evident that our sisters are thinking

proved of to suggest that a committee be As our knowledge increases so will our interests and our zeal increase in I have great hope for some of those I have this soul-inspiring work.

S. M. BROWN.

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Several conventions have recommended that a mission be established in Africa. Dr. Edwin Small, of Butte City, Montana, was present, and offered to open a work on the Upper Congo. Dr. Small has spont some time in Africa, and is deeply interested in that continent. The matter was taken under advisement for a month

From every field the cry comes for more men and for more means. Fifty now men could be put to work at once if we had the men and the wherewithal to support them. The missionary spirit is spreading promised, but only to be reminded that able. Still, we are able to do vastly more a few weeks more will close our prese than we are doing. We could increase ent year, and we would be so glad to our offerings ten fold, and then not

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Letter from China.

When I first came to China it was a problem to me how the gospel was to impossible to break the chains that bound him to his habit. But I feel now that I can tell an opium smoker as any other sinner, that he can report and turn to God, for we have remedies that can ease

If you ask a teacher in Nankin what per cent. of the people use opium, he will ted to our hands. These are thomes tell you about sixty or seventy per cent. I think this must be an exaggeration. It is cortain that it is only the religion of Josus Christ that can rid the Chinese of this curse, even though some may give up from other motives. In the majority of cases they cannot quit the habit without medical aid. I can stand up in our chapel and tell the people to repent and save themselves from this untoward goneration. An opium smoker may step forth and say he has the opium habit, cannot give it up, and that we British brought it to them. It is a antisfaction to feel that, if our countrymen fostered this horrible traffic, we, the disciples of Jesus, by his help, can free the poor Chinaman they were too poor to buy more of the drug. When they saw they were cured they commenced again in small doses, as I understand this to be a suggestion [the Chinese collequial says, "When a turns to his senses, when a bird is exhausted it knows to retrace its stops." habit. We have a man in the hospital now who has been cured, and wants to be a Christian. He has listened to us preach now and again for a couple of years. An opium smoker's first idea years ago, by Dr. Beebe of the M. E. Misssion; he now desires to be a Christian. cured. It is awful to see the havon wrought by this drug. If you see a miscrable, dirty, malodorous, vermin-A minister was officiating at a commu-covered beggar, with yellow face and

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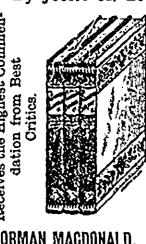
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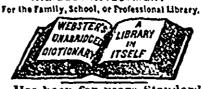
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