

## Mission Circle Notes.

**A**T the beginning of the present year, our President gave out five cent talents to nearly every member of the circle. It was then arranged that a meeting would be held at the half year, at which reports of the progress made would be delivered, but the money should remain increasing until the end of the year, or until the end of next September. As all know this meeting was called April 23rd, and, although everyone was invited, very few appeared interested enough to attend, outside of the circle members. It was a most interesting meeting, and the reports fully satisfied our steward.

We are sure that each one who accepted a talent had done their best. The sum of \$20.00 was reported for the half years work, and in case each servant remains faithful to his trust until September, there will be a very handsome addition to the finances of the circle from this source. We shall mention a few reports to give our readers an idea of the variety of methods which were employed in raising the money. One member made her money by spectacle wipers and the report which we consider the most original of any given we cannot print, as it would take all our space.

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Five cent cake of soap saved \$2.30 by shaving myself when I had time.

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Talent received five cents, invested in wood and sold article for fifteen cents. Invested fifteen cents in Crochet cotton cut of which, the amount of one dollar has been realized.

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Five cents of talent money improved by making print and silk caps to \$1.68.

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Talent invested in shoe blacking, proceeds amounted to seventy-five cents.

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My five cents was invested in toilet mats. With five cents worth of wool I crocheted lace on the edge of six mats, for which I received seventy-five cents.

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I put my five cents in a tin of blacking and have used it at five cents a shine or two shines for five if I did not do the work. This has raised the modest sum of three dollars, and I shall continue my humble calling until the term closes this year.

There are some of our members do not take as active a part in our work as they might. When asked the reason, they say "I cannot do anything," we are quite willing to let those carry on the work, who are more capable than we are, and others think if they voiced their opinions they will be criticized. Dear friends, let us remember, we each have a niche in this world to fill, and no one else can do our work but ourselves. God's eye is upon us, no matter what people say. He will hold responsible for our share of His work. Let us strive, therefore, to use the talent God has given us to the best of our ability, so that we may hear Him say "well done good and faithful servant."

We hear some one say "my talent is so small, I don't know how I can be of any use," ah! yes, have we not been trying for the last six months to use a small talent? Do you think the talent God has given is as small as the one you have been using for this Mission circle, and yet, when you put all zeal and effort in your work, how successful it has been. Just so with our Heavenly Fathers gifts, if we use what He gives us with all earnestness, He will be sure to crown our efforts with success. Surely goodness and mercy have followed us during this year. When we read of the bountiful homes awaiting the reapers in far off lands. How feeble have our efforts been, and yet our Heavenly Father has accepted them all, and crowned them with success. Let us, therefore, acknowledge God's kindness to us by trying to be more earnest Christians, and doing with our might what our hands find to do.

*"Missionary Gleaner."*

## Burrah for Albion!

At the last meeting of the Science Class it was unanimously resolved to hold their first picnic at Albion Falls on May 25th, Queen's Birthday; also to extend a cordial invitation to all in the Church and Sunday School, with their friends, who may desire to go. Albion is an ideal place for an outing. It is just a few miles over the mountain and may be reached by train. Wild flowers are found in abundance. Natural gas can be seen issuing from crevices in the rock or bubbling up through the water. The ravines are wild and romantic for those who delight in exploring. Train leaves King St. Station at 2:15 p.m., arriving home at 8 p.m. Fare, 20 cents. For further information apply to Miss JARVIS, Sec-Treas.