a few of the truths that mean so much to us, and make

us so hanny

All of April, May and June, Mr. and Mrs. Craig were on the hills, seeking a much-needed rest and change, and my time was necessarily divided between the boarding, school and household duties in Mrs. Craig's absence, and meeting, advising and directing Mr. Craig's workers in his absence. Miss Rogers was with me during the three months, and kindly relieved me of two Bible-classes. The remainder, together with the sewing-classes and the hour when I opened the doors to those who came for medicine, occupied my mornings. During April and May there was a great deal of sickness about, and every day I did my poor best for the afflicted bodies of from fifteen to thirty people. Invariably a Bible-woman or preacher was kept on the veranda to tell of the Great Healer.

Until the end of April I persevered in my visits to the village, but during May and June "old sol" and the scorohing west wind were too much for my courage, and I withdrew for a little quiet, coming apart and fitting and

furnishing for future work.

For what these months have brought me I am thankful. I feel that I have gained a knowledge of the boarding-achool and general working of the field as a whole, that I could not have had in years, confined to my own particular department of the work.

Villages seen, 89; visits made, 797; women's meetings conducted, 47; children's meetings, 81; general prayermeetings, or rather Bible-classes, 64; on tour, 105 days. Visits made by Bible-women in company with the mis-

sionary or otherwise, 1,617.

While reviewing what the Lord has wrought through His handmaidens, I would that I could make all His goodness to pass before you, as I have seen and experienced it during the year, but I cannot, and I will not try, will only bless and praise His Name for it all.

Pray for us in this His work and your work.

Yours for India's women,

F. M. STOVEL.

August 15th, 1891.

Tuni.

My Dear Miss Buchan, -- Something from Tuni will no doubt interest you at this time. The work of the Bible women has been similar to that of other years, four workers in all, with the addition of two others during some three months or more. Since writing you last year, some idea of the greatness of this work has been realized; While on tour last November, and again in February, (I think) such crowds of women surrounded me all day. and every day, and such opportunities were given for work among them, as would have delighted the most ardent missionary. At one time we were camped near a number of villages in a lovely Mango grove, and from the nearest one, each day, so many women came, that all from that village, at least (with the exception of a few Brahmin women, perhaps) must have heard something of the fountain that was opened in the house of David, for sin and for uncleanness, and these were all caste women, with the exception of the Christians from a more distant village, who came with their relations and friends to see us more than once. It was very nice sitting in the shade of the trees and after talking to a group of women for an hour or more, to find one unwilling to leave even though it were time to draw the water or cook the rice.

At another time, while in camp near three different villages in which Christians live, great interest was shown; from Ballgattam, where David- a preacher—and Sarah his wife, reside, came every day to the tent, a woman, who said she was believing, and who would sit for hours and listen to all that was said to the many who crowded around. Sarah teaches a number of caste boys, (she and David were formerly caste people) but during my stay there of a few days, she brought to me, or took me to, almost all the women in her village. But perhaps the most interesting event of this tour was, when one moonlight night, we walked (driving where possible) over to Dar-masagram, where Hannah lives, some times miles from our camping ground, and there seated at her very clean house door, the missionary and his preachers talked long and earnestly to the many who came around. Here we found that Hannah had not been idle, for later, when the crowd of women that had gathered around the missionary's wife, were listening to her, one among them stepped forward and turning to the others, told them how she believed all this, and exhorted them all to leave their idols and worship the God that made them; this she did with the greatest earnestness and energy imaginable. Upon enquiry she was found to be the mother of the young man, Hannah sent in for baptism the year before and who is now studying at the seminary.

Some time in March, a woman with two children came in from Nander, who spoke of trusting in Christ, that an old blind Christian woman out there had taught her, only her husband had threatened to turn her out and take the

children away, if she was baptized,

Last week some eight women came to the bungalow, they had often listened to the Bible-women. "We do

not worship idols now," they said.

So you see the women of India, here and there at least, are coming, some of them tired and thirsty, to the Fountain of Life. "We do not trust our idola," they are saying, but still they are held down through fear, from confessing His name. But what India's sone and daughters need for their redemption is that believing mothers, though it mean the loss of all, confess His name; is that believing sons, careless of position, or property, leave all, that they may confess His name, for so it has always been, where the banner of the Cross floats free above a Christian nation's head—a night of darkness ere the morning broke.

MAGGIE DENOVAN GARSIDE.

Mission House, Aug. 18, 1891.

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