

red, and interest aroused as perhaps never before. So Associations were enthusiastic, and many pledged themselves to "do all they could" to enable Miss MacLeod to reach India this year. The result has been that instead of the overdrawn accounts with which we were threatened, more money has come to our treasury than ever before, and we have a larger balance than the most trustful dared to pray for.

Miss MacLeod gave evidence of conversion at an early age, and in girlhood came into fellowship with the Adelaide St. Baptist church, London. Since that time this church has been her spiritual home—a place in which she delighted to be, and from whose services she was never absent. Loyalty to her pastor was with her a principle; to his faults she was apparently oblivious, and was his ready, willing helper always. In the Sabbath school a class of young girls have, under her influence, grown to young women possessing more than ordinary Christian character. A society of young people was formed by her and interested and instructed in missions. The result of this work eternity alone may declare. One young life, at least, has been won for Christ, and has begun preparation for a medical missionary. In the Woman's Circle also her activities were felt, where for many years she acted as Secretary, and also performed that service hard to the flesh—of from home to home collector of mission funds.

To one who knows Miss MacLeod it is no matter of surprise that one who had given herself so fully to service for God at home should be called by Him to a higher place. The question arises why one possessing in so large a measure the Master's spirit, and so well fitted to do His will in carrying out the commission, has not responded sooner to His call. Modest, and thoroughly conscientious, with, perhaps, a fear of going without being sent, or, it may be, like Moses asking the question, "Who am I that I should go?" she, until last spring, has hesitated. When God took to Himself last year the invalid mother, the strong home-tie was broken. In speaking recently of leaving home and friends she said, "Though I value my friends, leaving home does not mean to me all that it does to others; I am not leaving home, for my home has left me."

Thus God has prepared the heart and opened the way for another mouth-piece to give his words of eternal life to our dark-browed sisters of India. Is He opening and enlarging our hearts to give of ourselves and our means so that a channel of blessing may be maintained direct from the Throne to India's millions? God grant that it be so.

#### MISS JANE BUCHAN.

We are sure that the readers of THE LINK will appreciate the likeness of Miss Buchan along with those of the outgoing missionaries. She is a daughter of the late David Buchan, one of the pioneer Baptists of Western Ontario, a Scotch gentleman of sterling, upright, energetic, Christian character, one who was ever foremost in

all missionary enterprises, and at the time of his death President of the Home Missionary Convention of Ontario, as it was then termed.

Miss Buchan who inherits in a marked degree many of her father's characteristics, has been actively engaged in the Woman's Foreign Mission work ever since its organization. For eight years she held the position of Financial Editor of THE LINK; and in 1886 succeeded Mrs. H. J. Rose as Corresponding Secretary.

Since then she has faithfully and lovingly performed with self-denying zeal the ever increasing and arduous duties of the office. Her annual report, printed elsewhere in this paper, abounds in rich material, and will be found, as her reports always are, very helpful to those seeking facts concerning our woman's work.

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### Editorial.

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The time for the General Convention has been changed from fall to spring. It will probably be necessary to change our Woman's Convention also.

NEWS have just reached us of the death of Mrs. R. R. McKay, of Ottawa. She was a very active worker in missions, especially among Bands, and will be greatly missed.

A LESSON from the Toronto Convention to take home and act upon: we ought not to wait until the year is nearly ended before endeavouring to stimulate the circles into renewed activity; but at once, while the inspiring influence of the meetings is fresh upon us, urge the sisters to continue steadfast in well-doing, zeal and self-denial for the Master's sake, that so next year's convention may find us with a larger balance, and increased ability to undertake more work.

SAILING OF MISSIONARIES.—All being well, a farewell will be held in Woodstock for Misses Hatch and McLeod, on the evening of Nov. 13th. They will leave on the morning of the 14th, taking passage on S.S. Campania on the 17th. They hope to leave London for Bombay on S.S. Oriental, Nov. 30th, and to reach Cocanada or Samulcotta about Christmas. Shall not our prayers follow them all the way?

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#### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W. B. F. M. SOCIETY OF ONTARIO.

This Convention met on Tuesday, Oct. 16th, in the Jarvis St. church, Toronto. The morning prayer-meeting, led by Mrs. Emerson, of Onandaga, took the form of a praise and thanksgiving service, for the abundant answer to prayer bestowed upon the Society in its financial needs.

After reading of Scripture by Mrs. Cline, of Paris, and prayer by Mrs. T. S. Johnston, of Brantford, a very appropriate address of welcome was extended to the delegates by Mrs. W. J. Davis, of Toronto, re-