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Answer to Erroneous Statements

Concerning the

W. F. M. S. ARCHIVES

1.—"The Church is in need at the present time of men, but not women in the foreign field."

Answer.—We know that men are needed; but that lady missionaries are not needed in the foreign field at present is a mistake. Two medical ladies are needed to go to India next fall—one in Dr. Fraser's place, who has been ordered home on account of failing health; another in Dr. McKellar's place, whose furlough begins next spring Also a third, if the Foreign Mission Committee accepts the offer of the Diwan of Jaora. Many more single women could also be employed as Zenana visitors and school teachers besides those already at work, in order to overtake the almost unlimited opportunities now offering for spreading the knowledge of the Truth among women and children in India. We have received, in addition, a strong appeal from Mrs. Goforth for a missionary lady to assist in the work in North Honan. Multitudes of women in that field are now accessible to Gospel teaching, and many are inquiring anxiously for the Truth.

2.—"That the W. F. M. S. had last year a surplus of \$15,000, and the year before of \$10,000; and is draining the resources of the Church."

Answer.—It is true that at the close of last year the W. F. M. S. had in their treasury \$15,000, and the year before \$10,000, over and above what was needed to pay their indebtedness to the Foreign Mission Committee for the work undertaken by the Society during the year just then expired, according to the estimates. The surplus