

About five years ago timely assistance was rendered in carrying on this good work by our twin sister the Free Christian Baptist Foreign Mission Society of New Brunswick, in becoming responsible for the support of Rev. J. L. Phillips in the foreign field, and we are glad to hear by the report of the parent society that she has proved herself competent to meet her engagements. These are the interests with which our interests as a society are identified.

While that society has been looking up to God for other reinforcements in order to perform the Mission assigned it, more successfully He has inclined our hearts to engage in the Mission work, and graciously opened the way for us to bestow our labor where it was so much needed. Then as the All Wise God has thus opened such an interesting and inviting field for us, let us enter it with christian zeal and noble purposes and He will crown our labors with abundant success, for he has said, "he that reapeth receiveth wages and gathereth fruit unto life eternal."

The friends of the society doubtless will be glad to learn that in agreement with a resolution of our conference we have adopted one of the Female Missionaries now in the foreign field as our Missionary, agreeing to sustain her to the extent of our ability.

Miss Julia E. Libby, Corresponding Secretary of the present society. She is a sister of Rev. J. L. Phillips and (Bro. Libby says,) is talented, pious, and deeply engaged in her work. She resides in her brother's family at the Midnapore Station. Besides teaching in the orphan girls' school she is associated with other Missionaries in the "Zenana Work." This is the christian labors of the Female Missionaries in the homes and with the wives of the wealthy and better class of Hindoos. The wives of the Babu's are visited at their homes, where they are taught to sew and read. The gospel also is presented to them and a general elevating influence exerted upon them.

That it may be seen how the superstitions of that people shut out the wives from all civilization, and how interesting and promising is this department of the Mission labor. We will give an extract from a report of one of the visits of the Missionaries.

After speaking of their reception by the Babu they go on to say: "After leading us through many curious dark rooms, into a high walled court, up a flight of stairs into an apartment farthest from the street, he introduced us to its constant occupant, his young and delicate wife."

Aside from her naked feet, she was so entirely enveloped in Cashmere, silk and jewels, that but for the nervous grasp of her little cold hand, we should have fancied we were standing beside some richly robed manikin, for not a syllable escaped her lips, notwithstanding our best efforts to be social and make her feel at ease. Finally the Babu, perceiving her silence was making us not a little uncomfortable said, "I will leave the room, then she will talk with you." No sooner was he fully out of sight than her silk robe slipped from a face far too young and pretty to be thus abused, and she freely talked with us about her little world—her all—a beautiful little boy playing with the jewels on her ankles, and her great desire to learn to read and sew. And when we arose to leave she begged us to come again with an earnestness that was exceedingly grateful.

The last report of the Foreign Mission Society shows that the Missionaries are very much encouraged in this work and are looking for more glorious results in the future.

By the suggestion of Bro. C. O. Libby we have opened a cor-

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