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Editorial.

A SUGGESTION.—Do you use mite boxes? If not try them this year and see if an extra amount cannot be raised for Foreign Missions. A good suggestion comes from the Beverly St. Circle, Toronto. Many object to the paper mite boxes as being easily destroyed. This circle uses tin baking powder boxes. They are pasted up around the top with paper and a slit is cut in the end through which the money is put. This makes a durable box without expense.

ITEMS FOR THE LINK.—We should be glad to have items of news, or suggestions as to better methods in our work. Send us the manuscript *early*. We should have it by the middle of the month before it is to be published.

BUREAU OF MISSIONARY INFORMATION.—Please notice the change of address. Miss Stark is married and is now Mrs. C. W. King, 318 Earl St., Kingston.

We copy the following from the *Bombay Guardian*. Vuyyuru, Mr. Brown's field, is in this district:—A telegram from Madras, dated August 10th, states that the floods in the Kistna are causing great damage. They are the largest since records began to be kept nearly fifty years ago. The Collector of the District is now at Kollur, on the south bank of the river, and has rescued about 500 people by boats. The Sub-Collector and the Executive Engineer rescued about 2000 by means of the D. P. W. steamer. One hundred square miles are reported to be flooded to such a depth that the steamer could go over fields. The Nizam's railway is under water near Bezwada, and the East Coast Line is breached. No lives are believed to have been lost.

The Band Secretary writes:—I have thoroughly enjoyed reading the September LINK. It is full of inspiration and encouragement, and makes me feel as if I want to go to work at once. I hope many will read the article on Band work, by Mrs. Foster, and will mark, learn and digest it.

The names of the Samulcotta and Cocanada students will hereafter not appear in the LINK. Those desiring to support students in these schools, will apply for names to Mrs. C. T. Stark, 108 Park Road, Toronto.

AT THE BOARD ROOMS.

The quarterly meetings of the W. B. F. M. Society of Ontario West was held Friday Sep. 11th, at 2 p.m. Twenty members and some visitors were present.

A very interesting and instructive paper on the Women of India, has been prepared by Mr. Laflamme for the use of this Society. It was hoped that this might be printed as a leaflet and widely distributed. The committee appointed to see to this matter reported that the expense would be greater than the funds will allow.

This paper has been placed in the exchange drawer, and any circle may have the use of it by applying to the Bureau. Address Mrs. C. W. King, Kingston, Ont.

A resolution was passed expressing deep regret that Mrs. J. C. Yule has felt obliged to resign her position on the Board. Mrs. Yule has been one of the most faithful workers for the Society from the beginning. Her wise counsel was invaluable, her deep spirituality has been an inspiration. The resolution expressed the hope that Mrs. Yule will when possible still favor the Board with her presence and advice.

The Treasurer's report was encouraging.

It was decided to ask the Circles and Bands for the thankoffering again, and suggest that it be made in November if convenient. Further notice will appear in LINK and Baptist. Our stock of mite-boxes having been exhausted this Board will unite with the general Board in getting a new supply. Circles and Bands are reminded that these boxes are for *Foreign Missions only* as this society will be at considerable expense in securing them. They will be sent out free for this purpose on application.

Very interesting letters were read from Misses Hatch, Baskerville and McLaurin.

A. MOYLE, *Rec. Sec.*

NOTICE TO CIRCLES.

Again as the harvest season approaches its close, the Women's Mission Circles are asked to make their annual thankofferings for Home and Foreign Missions. It is suggested that each Circle set apart its regular monthly meeting in November (or if more convenient, in October) for a service of praise, thanksgiving and gifts to Him who has so richly given us all things.

Will not each Circle prepare for such a meeting both in heart and purse, that the result may be one of blessing