

faithful preaching has been done in and about Kurnool by those who followed. Hundreds are believing and might be baptized if a missionary were here to train and teach them.

Every Sunday since we have been here from thirty to fifty have come in, most of them from a village nine miles distant, but quite a number as far as eighteen miles, and they walked. Two weeks ago (Sept. 15) twenty came from a place called Atmakur, forty miles away. Seven of these were women, two of whom carried babies in their arms, and one a man with only one leg, and on that a boil which most people at home would consider a sufficient reason for their remaining in the house were the church only a block away. Yet all of these walked the forty miles, the lame man only getting such help as a good-natured cart driver might occasionally give. These people remained until Tuesday, and besides them so many came from other villages that on Monday there were over seventy here. For two nights thirty slept in the mission house on the floor, as is their custom, there being no other place for them. Through the day we had meetings, talked with them individually and listened to requests. These requests were numerous and varied. One man's wife would not live with him and his case had to be inquired into; a girl, whose brother had promised her in marriage to a friend, did not wish to consent until she had seen the young man; an old woman wished the missionary to make her son support her, which he was not doing; some villagers wanted a school teacher sent to them, others a school house built; many wanted medicine for a variety of diseases, others bottles in which to get medicine, etc., and so the days were busily occupied.

There is one pleasing feature about the Christians here, and even some who have not been baptized, they have been trained to give and every Sunday bring a quarter or half-anna each. Some who had no money brought vegetables and grain, which we bought, then they gave their offering also. One Sunday some of them said they had a special gift which Mr. Drake told them to bring when, to our surprise, a large sheep was introduced which was presented to us as a token of the gratitude of twelve men who had been unjustly fined, and concerning whose case Mr. Drake took much trouble. Their fine, which was thirty rupees each, was reduced to five each, and that even is unjustly retained, we believe. But nothing further can be done for them now.

We intend returning to Madras next Tuesday (Oct. 1), and will be glad to see our people there again, although I feel sorry to leave these people; they seem like sheep without a shepherd.

We are looking forward with pleasure to the coming of Mr. and Mrs. Walker and others, whom we hope to welcome to India in six or eight weeks.

Sept. 25, 1889.

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P.S.—Since writing the above seventeen were baptized yesterday (Sunday, Sept. 29) and six restored to the fellowship of the Kurnool church. I. A. D.

Letter from Miss Hatch.

To the Sisters assembled in our Annual Convention at Woodstock, Greeting:

My heart is inditing a good matter. As I speak of the things touching the King and His kingdom, may my pen be that of a ready writer!

"Christ is all, and in all." Yes, Christ is all, and in all. Christ is all in all. Have you Christ thus? Is Christ

your all? What does all mean? All means everything. Is Christ everything to you? Everything? Is Christ in all? Is He in your heart, prompting your thoughts, your words, your deeds? In your homes is He more to you than your brother or sister, your husband or wife? Are you loving your home for His sake? Is He all in your neighborhood? Do your neighbors see that He is your all? Do you seek to make Him all and in all in your native village, your country, in the whole world? If so, renew your consecration vow this morning, and let me hear each one of you saying, "Christ is to me my all and in all. I am my Beloved's, and my Beloved is mine." Such were some of the thoughts here but imperfectly expressed, outlining the wondrous theme of the missionary on Sabbath morning, September 8th, 1889. What the occasion and what the result, is the good matter I would tell you.

The Samulcotta Seminary's new building was to be opened. Many hearts had been looking forward expectantly for some time; for had we not been teaching in sitting-rooms and dining-room, in ante-room and classrooms, on verandah, front and back, and even under a thatch-covered shed. But here was a building with four whole rooms and a chapel-room, besides verandas on three sides. What a boon this was, only those who experienced these great inconveniences could fully appreciate. And we did appreciate it. The walls were up, the roof was on, the plastering was all done, the mats down, the doors were not all hung, but winter blasts do not disturb us here, so that mattered little; the windows were only just glazed, so had on them the remains of the putty, but we did not mind that, we were in the new building, and that was enough.

The Principal had often discussed "What shall the opening be?" and his plans that morning were perfected. As we listened to his discourse our hearts were touched, and as we looked at the audience we felt all were in sympathy with the theme, "Christ is all, and in all." As he wound up the subject of Christ being all in heart, in home, in school, in village, in the whole world, all in all, he said, "Now, what are you going to do to show this? Christ who has given you life and breath, and all things; who feeds you, who clothes you, and as a present gift, has given you this building. To this Christ will you consecrate yourselves and give a token of that consecration?" The problem of self-support on mission fields had been a problem, and is, and will be to the end to all mission workers. "Let us make a big step forward in that direction this morning. You have been giving a certain amount out of your allowance, but that has been demanded of you. The Jews in old time gave a tithe of all that they had. We ask you this morning to give a sixteenth, that is, one anna in the rupee. Here, I have brought the rupee, sixteen annas, laying them one by one on the table. Counting them, he took one away. "See, you would hardly miss it; would have to count closely again to see that there were only fifteen and not sixteen. How easy it is! Can we, dare we lag behind? Ye of Samulcotta, "Up, and forward! arise, hasten," and so saying besought the blessing of God. Rising from prayer, the Principal opened a book, saying, I have written here, "Christ is all, and in all." Col. iii: 11. "We, the undersigned, pledge ourselves that Christ shall be all in us, all in our houses, all in our school, all in our villages, all in our country, all in the world; and that we pledge ourselves to contribute of our means at the proportion of one anna in the rupee to Him."

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