

get discouraged many times. A young woman in the neighborhood comes in for Bible instruction every evening, and I take a great pleasure in teaching her. At present she is interested, but that wonderful story has not touched her heart yet. Help me to pray for her, and not only for her, but for all these poor women whose lot in life is so lacking in hope and true life, and for me also, that I may be faithful in the discharge of my duty.

Very sincerely, your sister in the work,
MARY M. RIOCH.

DEAR SISTERS,—How our hearts have been stirred these past few months, and how noble has been the response to the call of our Queen and country! Many brave soldiers have gone to the front to fight for the oppressed and down-trodden, while many others have worked with heart and hand to help those they have left behind.

Can we not get a lesson and inspiration from all this? Let us realize that we are "soldiers of the King," and all that that means to us. The cry for help has come to us from our heathen brothers and sisters, and our King has given the command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." With Jesus as our general, we need have no fear of mistakes in the plan of campaign, and he will accept all volunteers. To some he may say, "Go to the front;" to others, "give of your means, your time and your talents to help these go." There are many now at the scene of battle asking for our help and support, and many more ready and willing to if we do our part. Let us not be deserters in God's army, but let us always be found in our places obeying the commands of our Captain.

He asks us now to raise the necessary money to support "our soldiers" in the foreign field and to send others there. Let us do it. As the boys and girls of our dominion helped so nobly in the raising of the Patriotic Fund, so the boys and girls of our Mission Bands can help us.

Let us feel that all things are possible with God, and make one grand, strong pull to reach the standard marked out for us,

"Soldiers of Christ, arise,
And put your armor on,
Strong in the strength which God supplies
Through his beloved Son."

CARRIE M. FORD.

On January 7th, Leonardville Auxiliary observed C. W. B. M. Day. The offering amounted to \$4.14. We have held our regular meetings since but no new members added this year, though we hope to get two or more next month.

At our regular meeting the second Sunday in March, our auxiliary resolved to observe the third anniversary of our organization. The society was invited to the home of one of our number, Mrs. Arthur Barteau, where refreshments were served and a good programme provided. Each member bringing or sending a thank-offering which was devoted to the India Famine Fund. The amount realized was \$10.30, and there are still a few members who have not yet sent their offering.

S. M. MURRAY.

Will not others send us just such helpful, encouraging reports as this one received from Leonardville.

E. E. F.

Names and addresses of missionaries employed by F. C. M. S.:

INDIA.

- G. L. Wharton Hurda, C. P.
- Mrs. Emma R. Wharton Hurda, C. P.
- Dr. C. C. Drummond Hurda, C. P.
- Mrs. C. O. Drummond Hurda, C. P.

- Miss Mildred Franklin..... Hurda, C. P.
- Miss Bertha Marshall..... Hurda, C. P.
- David Rioch..... Hurda, C. P.
- Dr. Minnie Rioch..... Hurda, C. P.
- Miss Mary Thompson..... Hurda, C. P.
- G. W. Coffman..... Hurda, C. P.
- W. E. Rambo..... Damoh, C. P.
- Mrs. Kate Rambo..... Damoh, C. P.
- Miss Josepha Franklin..... Damoh, C. P.
- Miss Stella Franklin..... Damoh, C. P.
- J. G. McGavran..... Damoh, C. P.
- Mrs. Helen A. McGavran..... Damoh, C. P.
- Dr. Mary T. McGavran..... Damoh, C. P.
- F. E. Stubbin..... Damoh, C. P.
- M. D. Adams..... Bilaspur, C. P.
- Mrs. Mary D. Adams..... Bilaspur, C. P.
- E. M. Gordon..... Mungeli, C. P.
- Dr. Anna Gordon..... Mungeli, C. P.

And forty-eight native helpers.

RECEIPTS.

- Previously reported,.... \$113 04
- Halifax—Ladies' Auxiliary, 0 00
- St. John--Coburg Street Ladies' Aux., .. 2 20

\$121 24

SUSIE FORD STEVENS, Treasurer.

Port Williams, Kings Co., N. S.

Children's Work.

[Address all communications to Children's Work to Mrs. Frank Richardson, Lord's Cove, Deer Island, N. B].

DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS.—Your Superintendent has kindly given me a little space in your column, and I have asked for it because I have some good news for you. I want to give you some extracts from a letter received from our dear Miss Graybiel, who is now in India, but will soon return to America:

"One of the pleasures of this evening has been examining a class of our girls, who for months have been asking for baptism. Among them is your Maritime Province protege, Gulabi. She is still a little thing, but she has been with us from the first, and her answers were quite clear and satisfactory. To-morrow morning we expect to have a meeting at which eighteen or nineteen of our dear girls will make the good confession, after which they and our good Brother and Sister Benjamin will be buried with Christ in baptism."

"Your boy, Gerould, is also here for the holidays, with another boy from the Damoh orphanage whose sister is with us. She and Gerould's mother have been saving little by little from their food allowance to pay the fare of the boys from Damoh and back again. Yesterday I was questioning them on the Old Testament story and it would have done you good to hear Gerould tell the story of the Creation, the Fall and the Flood. He is a bright boy. He and his mother are to go back to their village to visit the old grandfather. They will carry the story of the great salvation they have found. Your prayers will unite with ours that their message may result in the salvation of precious souls in that village."

Do you not think we should praise God for his blessings to us? He has so honored the work we have tried to do for him that even now our little Gulabi and Gerould are telling the gospel story to their own people. I know you will feel as I do that we must work hard this year so we can support at least one more child. Let us all work together now, and I pray that you may find so much joy in the service here, that in a few years many of you may earnestly desire to work for the Lord on the foreign field, where "the harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

Your loving friend,
CARRIE F. PAYSON.

Westport, March, 1900.

CHILDREN'S WORK.

- Previously reported,.... \$24 63
- Westport—Willing Workers, ... 00
- Halifax—Junior Endeavor, 1 43
- St. John—Wide Awake Band, ... 1 62
- Maitland—Alex. McDougall, ... 50
- Raymond McDougall, ... 50

\$29 28

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THE PRESENT DUTY.

Come not, when I am dead, to mourn with laggard tears,
Weeping beside the mound 'neath which I lie;
Thou canst not thus retrieve the sad, sad years,
Wherein, when I did weep, thine eyes were dry.

Come not, and trembling, hush the words of long unspoken praise,
Speaking the good thou hadst in mind so oft to say;
Thou canst not thus redeem the troubled days,
When life was desert and I almost lost my way.

Lay not upon my new-made grave thy tardy flowers;
My sightless eyes shall ne'er their beauty see;
Thou canst not thus add spring-time to the wintry hours,
When life was cold and thorns were in the path for me.

Touch not with soft caress the store that marks my rest;
It hath not life; nor can it understand;
Thou canst not thus relieve the awful pain that pressed
Upon the head, from which thou didst withhold thy hand.

Shall we, because the loved ones live,
Force back the tears, the words of praise refuse,
Let die the flowers we did intend to give,
Withhold the hand that has the power to soothe?
Not so; to-day they need our aid;
When clouds returning cover o'er the sun;
When hope seems from their lives to almost fade;
When battles must be fought and lost or won;
To-day, e'er death at last smooths out the troubled brow,
With all thou hast to give, Oh do not wait;
Go do the good thou hast in mind, and do it now;
To-morrow, 'tis too late. —R. BENTLEY RAY.

Died.

MCDONALD.—Suddenly at New Glasgow, P. E. I., on the 9th of March, in her 37th year, Sister Sarah Ann, dearly beloved wife of Bro. Ivo McDonald. She was in usual health and spirits, till a few days before her death she was seized with brain trouble which made the sad stroke all the more severe. In intervals of reason she would repeat hymns and portions of God's word showing happiness and confidence in her Saviour to whom she had committed herself in early life. When a girl she was a diligent attendant at Sunday-school, and when a mother carefully prepared her children for the same. She was a faithful helpmeet, a loving and exemplary mother, and a true member of the church. She will be missed by all, and especially by an affectionate husband and children as well. Aged parents, brothers and sisters feel her loss. May the Lord prepare all to meet her in his presence. D. C.

BROOMER.—In this city, March 15, 1900, Sister Alice Broomer, aged 87 years. She united with the church in 1887. The funeral took place from the home of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Hawker, and the services were conducted by Dr. R. Bentley Ray, and the Rev. Mr. Weddall.

HARLOW.—Departed this life at Milton, Queens Co., on Monday evening, March 5th, after a long, lingering illness, Charles Harlow, of Milton, aged 84 years. Remains were laid to rest in Milton cemetery, Thursday afternoon, March 8th, 1900. "I heard a voice from heaven saying, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they rest from their labors, for their works follow with them." Rev. xiv, 13. WILLIAM STIFF.

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Church Services—10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school 12.15 P. M. Y. P. S. C. E., 6.30 P. M. Friday Evening Prayer-meeting, 7.45. All are invited to attend these services.