

ologue, partly recited and partly sung, by two little girls from the Caste Girls' School, was charmingly rendered. Mrs. Joshee read a short, interesting account of Miss Hatch's life and work. In a long poem of his own composition, Pastor Prakasam sang her praises. Her Biblewomen presented her with a well-bound English Bible.

Miss Hatch replied in the words of the Apostle John: "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth."

After the meeting a group picture was taken, and the visitors repaired to Woodside, the Ladies' Bungalow, for refreshments. The last item on the day's programme was a little informal song and prayer service by the missionaries on the verandah at Woodside, before dispersing.

The Bungalow, the Leper Crapel and the Station Chapel were all most tastefully decorated with festoons of the rich, glossy dark-green leaves of the mango tree, with chains and garlands of pretty colored papers, and with texts made by cutting the letters out of bright-colored papers and pasting them on a plain ground. These texts were most suitable to the occasion, such as: "As thy days, so shall thy strength be," "The Lord crown thee with loving-kindness and tender mercies," "With long life will I satisfy thee and shew thee My salvation."

For Canadian Baptist readers it is not necessary to tell of Miss Hatch's manifold labors. It is well known that after her arrival in 1886, after only a few months of study, it was necessary for her to undertake the superintendency of the work for women and children in Cocanada, and this was kept up until 1890, though she had removed in February, 1889, to Samalkot to assist in the Scripture teaching in the Seminary, and to work among the women and children there. While at home on her first furlough—1893-1894—she was offered the Principalship of Moulton College; but her call to India was not a temporary one. So she declined the offer, which must have held great attractions for her, and came back to the heat and discomfort and enervating toil of the missionary life in this tropical country. Since 1895 her work has been on the Ramachandrapuram field.

She visits in the homes of Christian and non-Christian women. She has started Sunday Schools for caste and non-caste children; she established a Caste Girls' School; it was on her initiative that Womens' Helpmeet Societies were inaugurated; of late years she has undertaken the management of the lace-making industry; but though one might suppose her busy hands were quite full enough, to all these she has added the opening of an asylum for lepers, through which work of philanthropy she has become known far and near. The Government of India recognized and rewarded this work of beneficence by bestowing upon Miss Hatch the Kaiser-i-Hind Medal in 1910. In this work Dr. Joshee and his wife are her staunch and loyal helpers, and, in addition to his work in the Homes, the doctor carries on in the town a dispensary, with a small hospital for in-patients attached, as well as an extensive private practice.

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CHRISTMAS SMILES.

Many examination papers come to our missionaries to be marked. Semi-annually, the Biblewomen, teachers and pastors hand in papers on Bible, Church History and kindred subjects. These are all in Telugu, of course.

Then there is an all-India S. S. examination, when thousands of India's boys and girls write on the work of the year.

These also come to the missionary to be read and marked. In this connection pupils were asked to tell something about Saul's journey to Damascus. The answer, as given, was: "As Saul went to Damascus, he saw a vision, and something from behind said, 'Arise, Peter, kill and eat.'"

Another recorded that "Paul was let down from Damascus to Jerusalem by a string."

Regarding the gift of tongues, one wrote: "They all spoke with cloven tongues." Another that "Each spoke with their own tongue."

In church history, to the question, What is meant by the dark ages? a youth wrote in reply: "It was the time before light was created, when the earth was without form and void, and the people without faith and knowledge."