

mother of the girl says she cannot help but think often of Jesus Christ who restored her child.

The women are becoming ashamed of idol worship. "The seed has been sown in many hearts; superstition and idolatry, the result of ignorance, has given way and the knowledge that gives true light is reaching many through the feeble efforts of our Zenana visitors."

Miss Beggs reports: "Much to be grateful for—sad days and glad days—sorrows and joy—mercies and trials not room enough for all the mercies, but very little space occupied by the trials." The year has been one "full of blessing to the work." Many of the women find Hinduism utterly false and comfortless; they want the truth, but have not found it yet. Curiosity, or the desire to learn needlework, prompts some to ask for a visit from the Zenana worker.

Miss Beggs' report is full of interesting incidents of these only a few can be mentioned. She says: "The other day when I told some of the women whom we visit that I was going to write a report, in which I would make mention of them, they were greatly delighted and said: 'Oh, do write to the good ladies all about us, and please send our kind regards and salaams, and tell them that we love their Saviour and to pray for us.'"

One woman who pays very marked attention to the reading of God's Word, said: "When you are here reading to me, I could sit and listen all day without wanting any food." Another, who had never heard the Gospel before, seemed to drink in every word of the Good Tidings, and received it simply and faithfully as a little child. She asked anxiously: "Do you think that this great God will receive me, a poor sinner?" I read John vi. 37. She seemed quite pleased after hearing that passage.

Miss Beggs asks us to "pray with a stronger faith that God will, by His Spirit, open the hearts of these dear women to receive the truth of Christ."

AKIDU.

Miss Stovel. The boat, "Glad Tidings," has been a great boon to Miss Stovel in her work. "The name is suggestive and often opens the way for little talks with people on the bank. The women and children in many villages have already learned to know it as 'our Miss Amma's boat.'" An account of the work done was published in the April number of the LINK; in it she tells of a woman of the Shepherd caste who has decided to come out boldly on the Lord's side, which, although she is not very high in the social scale and consequently will not suffer as much as others of higher caste, means the severing of all family ties for the present at least; of the baptism of three women in another village, for whom she has long worked and prayed; of three new Brahmin houses opened to her in one day, which means the beginning of opportunities great and good among the Akidu Brahmin women; of the wonderful way in which the Lord, through the sickness of a Razu woman, has opened the doors of whole villages to her, where she had over and over again tried to gain a hearing; of a similar way in which a village of Ellama people who had for five years persistently refused to listen, had opened its doors, and while the women told of their troubles and asked many questions, she had told them of "Jesus and His love," and how, during fifteen days spent on Kolair Lake, eighteen new villages were visited, besides others that she had visited before. She tells of crowds of women and children hearers, and asks us to join with

her in prayer for an educated Kapu widow whom she thinks is at heart a Christian, that she may come out "boldly on the Lord's side."

Bible Woman. — Miss Stovel reports: "My Bible woman Annamma has worked hard. She accompanies me on all tours, and we work together in new villages, but separately where we are well known. While I am conducting a woman's or children's meeting, she is usually at work among the heathen women." She had a month's holiday, so her report may look rather small.

Miss Stovel reports for the half year ending December 31st, 1894:

Women's meetings conducted	32
Children's "	63
Bible classes "	12
Houses visited	420
Annamma made house visits	374

TUNI.

Miss Rogers & Bible-women.

From the Telugu report we copy these few items concerning Miss Rogers' work. "We praise God for another year of health, that has permitted us to work without interruption, for the good of His people." Miss Priest has taken the Sunday school off my hands, as well as one of the Scripture classes that I taught.

Weekly meetings for the Christian women and the school girls have been conducted with pleasure, and the Sunday school in the compound looked after. Miss McLaurin came to us in November; both she and Miss Priest are an inspiration and a comfort."

For more than a year there has been no man missionary on the Tunni field. Mr. Walker has visited it monthly.

Miss Rogers spent the last two hot seasons on the plains, and worked very hard, so that when taken with a very severe attack of fever she had little reserve strength to meet it.

Miss Simpson writes:—"The fever came on in the first place after exposure to the sun, while on tour, February 2nd. Miss Rogers was on tour, entering a new village, had her tent pitched according to the instructions of the village munsif, but it happened to be too near to the Brahmin temple, and so the Brahmins raised a disturbance. Miss Rogers again applied to the munsif to have the tent removed, but he was late in sending his men, and there was a great deal of delay, and she was obliged to sit under a palm-leaf shed the most of the day; and, finally, when she decided to leave the village, and went to the nearest railway station, she had to wait two hours for the train, and had to walk up and down continually to keep herself warm. That was the beginning of her illness, which, in a few days became so alarming that Dr. Smith and Miss Simpson were telegraphed for. With the help of God they were able to pull her through, so that she was able to return with Miss Simpson to Cocanada—but a severe relapse about the middle of March, has made her condition so serious that her return to Cocanada is imperative."

Miss Rogers went to India in 1889. Her private in come has all been given in the work. She has done a great deal for the Tunni people. Our missionaries are very sad at having to part with one so useful and so greatly beloved. It seems strange, but God has said, "My thoughts are not as your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways," "For, as the heavens are higher than the earth so are My ways than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."