

live in a house adjoining the school. Mr. McNaughton went out in 1887.

Perhaps the name most famous to the ladies of our Society, is that of Miss Lyman, a young lady of Montreal, who, in 1887, took up her residence in Bombay, there to labor as a missionary of the American Board. This lady is peculiarly our own missionary, being supported by the Canada Congregational Woman's Board, to which we belong.

The hand of Providence can be clearly traced in Miss Lyman's going to India, and at just the time she did. The workers there had long been anxious to gain freer access to the homes of the higher castes. An unexpected call came to them to undertake the management of a school for high-caste women and girls, at Parel, a suburb of Bombay. With no extra funds at their disposal, and no workers to spare, they hesitated. However, the call was so urgent, and the open door seemed so clearly to indicate an advance, that they undertook the work, and the same week that the school was opened, they received reinforcements in the shape of two new lady workers, one of whom was our Miss Lyman. All who know her are agreed as to her peculiar fitness for just the very work to which she has gone. The Marathi language is considered a difficult one to acquire, and Miss Lyman's request to her friends, was that they should pray especially that she might be enabled to learn it quickly. She believes that she has been helped in answer to their prayers. It was interesting to hear that the first time she used their language in speaking to the children, they crowned her with a chaplet of flowers. She is now translating a book called "Little Dot" into the Marathi for the use of the children. But this interval in which study was the chief thing, has not been devoid of work of other kinds. From the first she has taught English and sewing in the school at Parel, besides assisting in Sunday school and Bible class work in Bombay. Part of this time has been spent at Satara, where she also taught an English class, with Mrs. Sibley, whose husband has recently died leaving her alone at that station. Now, however, we may think of Miss Lyman as teaching daily in her school at Parel, which is three miles distant from Bombay, and to which she rides in a carriage sent her by some Montreal ladies. The money for the furnishing of her schoolroom was donated by

the young ladies of Mrs. Lay's Seminary in Montreal. She has an average of fifty pupils. Last Christmas, the contents of a box sent by Emmanuel church, Montreal, and also a few things from this church, were distributed among them as prizes. In one of her letters Miss Lyman says that it is customary for each missionary to undertake the support of a scholar, and speaks hopefully of the little girl whom she has adopted.

I can do little more than mention the name of Miss McKillican, of Vankleek Hill (a niece of Rev. John McK.), who about a year ago went as a medical missionary or trained nurse, to labor in a hospital in Pekin, China. Miss McKillican is supported by the Presbyterian Board of the United States. Many of us doubtless read with interest her letters in the *Montreal Witness* describing her voyage and first impressions in that strange country.

About the same time there went from the Congregational Church in Hamilton, Ont., Mr. Geo. Duff, and Miss Hattie Turner, to work in China, under Mr. Hudson Taylor, of the China Inland Mission.

In Osaka, Japan, are working the Rev. Geo. Allchin and his wife. This gentleman is a Canadian, formerly of Guelph, Ont., who went out under the American Board in 1882. At this station, as is the case in so many instances, the workers are far too few for the amount of work which presses upon them, and Mr. Allchin is reported as well-nigh overwhelmed with his numerous duties. There is a large girl's school at Osaka, and mention is made of Mr. Allchin's careful training in singing. Another letter speaks of Mrs. Allchin's conducting cooking and sewing classes, which had been started to reach some who could not be induced to attend church.

The departure of the Rev. Hilton Pedley for Japan, last September, is still fresh in our memories. This gentleman is a graduate of the Canada Congregational College, of Montreal. He goes to labor in Tokio, supported by the American Presbyterian Church, of Montreal. His work will be chiefly among the higher classes, and will have a decided charm for a student. Mr. Pedley is most enthusiastic about his new field, speaking of it as the garden of the world.

Miss Mary Radford, of Montreal, also sailed for