

THE total receipts of the American Baptist Missionary Union, for the year closing March 31, were \$384,996.73; the total expenditures amounted to \$382,058.54, leaving a balance of 2,938.19. Well done!

**ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS.**—We trust our readers will not forget the announcements of Associational meetings made in our last number, nor overlook the one made in the present number. Plans have been formed which should insure very interesting and profitable meetings in connection with each of the Associations of Western Ontario. Will not as many of the sisters as possible make it a point to attend these meetings?

A SISTER in Nova Scotia writes:—"I sent two or three copies of the LINK to \_\_\_\_\_, and as you see we have seven new subscribers." This is by no means the first time we have been informed of such cases. Are there not many of our readers who know of churches in which the LINK is not taken, and who could, by putting forth a little effort, secure a number of subscribers? Every new subscriber to the LINK means additional interest in missions. We have many noble workers in all parts of the Dominion, but we want more such.

**500 EXTRA COPIES.**—In view of the fact that many who are not subscribers will wish to read and preserve Miss Rauschenbusch's poetical history of Telugu Baptist missions, and Mrs. Upham's very able address; and as it is the time of the year when plans for the future are being formed, and extraordinary efforts for the extension of our work may be expected, we have decided to print 500 extra copies of the present number. We will send some copies *free* to any subscriber who will promise to use them in trying to get a new Circle organized, or in trying to get new subscribers, and we will send copies for distribution or sale until the supply is exhausted, at the following rates:—4 copies for 10 cents; 12 copies for 25 cents; 25 copies for 50 cents.

**OUR STUDENT MISSIONARIES.**—Some of the students who fare laboring on Home Mission fields this summer have already begun planning for the organization of Mission Circles. In this we rejoice, and we should rejoice still more if the example of a few shall be followed by many or all of the fifty or sixty young men who are trying to build up the waste places. *The weaker the church the greater the need of the help that comes from such organizations.* Especially valuable is a Mission Circle to a church or mission field that is likely to be destitute of preaching for a considerable portion of the year. We intend to send a few copies of this issue of the LINK to every student missionary, so far as we can secure their addresses, and we ask each to take into consideration the immediate organization of a Home

and Foreign Mission Circle. The Secretaries of the various societies, whose addresses are to be found on our last page will be glad to give any help in their power, and the editor of the LINK is always willing to assist as she may be able.

**HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.**—When it was proposed, a little more than a year ago, to organize a Women's Home Mission Society in Western Ontario, some of the friends of foreign missions were somewhat fearful that interest and contributions would be diverted from foreign missions. The result has been just the reverse. The Women's Home Mission Society of Western Ontario will raise this year about \$2,500, and the indications are that the receipts of the Foreign Society, covering the same territory, will be greatly increased. The editor of the LINK is known to be about equally interested in both these departments of our denominational work, feeling as she does that they are in no sense antagonistic, but that each is necessary to the success of the other. When a new Circle is to be formed she invariably urges that it be for home and foreign work combined. The Foreign Mission cause has nothing to fear from Home Missions. We say these things to encourage our sisters in Eastern Ontario and Quebec, in the Maritime Provinces, and in Manitoba and the North West, to increase the usefulness of their Circles and Aid Societies by combining in them home and foreign work.

**THINGS WE SHOULD LIKE TO SEE.**—1. A vigorous Baptist Church, with a well qualified pastor, in every community throughout the Dominion. 2. A well sustained Home and Foreign Mission Circle or Aid Society in every church, with every sister deeply interested in missions at home and abroad. 3. A Mission Band in every church through which all the children might be trained from their infancy to be interested in, to pray and to give for missions. 4. A universal interest in missions and increased liberality among the brethren. Circles and Mission Bands will do much towards this end; but if some more direct method of reaching the brethren could be devised it would be of great value. 5. Our mission work among the Telugus greatly extended, and Canadian Baptist Missionaries in Burma, Africa, China and Japan, or in at least one or two of these countries. 6. The LINK, grown far larger and better than it is at present, in every Baptist family throughout the Dominion, as a means of stimulating and directing the missionary activities of the churches. If the present readers of the LINK should see and all fully make up their minds that these six ends *must be accomplished*, accomplished they would be, and that right speedily.

**OUR CONTRIBUTORS.**—Our readers cannot fail to be greatly interested by Miss Rauschenbusch's versified history of Telugu Baptist missions. Miss Rauschenbusch,