

"She hath done what she could."—Mark 14 : 8.

Perhaps no words could be applied more suitably to the sister whom God has taken from our midst. In all the years she labored with us, while none were more humble or diffident with regard to the work they accomplished, yet none were more willing than she to do what they could. No forward movement in the work, no needy cause, but what received her deep interest and hearty support, given quietly and prayerfully. And during the long months of suffering and weariness, when she was taken aside from active service, her interest in the work did not fail.

And now, she too, like the woman whom Christ commended, has gone. Her life-story will not go out in the world, as that of the other, but the memory of her faithful service will remain long with those who knew and loved her.

Two weeks before Mrs. Rock left us, our hearts were saddened, when word came that Mrs. Laing, of Kingston, our former pastor's wife, had passed away. For several years she also was our Circle President, and labored amongst us; always "doing what she could." Since we have been separated she never lost her interest in the Lord's work in Perth. We will miss her loving messages.

May the lives of these dear sisters be an inspiration to us for more faithful service.

AGNES A. ROBERTSON, Sec'y.

## W. B. M. U., Maritime Provinces.

MOTTO FOR THE YEAR: "Workers together with Him."

PRAYER TOPIC FOR DECEMBER: For Chicacole, the missionaries and their helpers, the reading room, schools and hospital, that God would use them all for the salvation of souls.

As we remember our Prayer Topic this month shall we not earnestly pray that God may abundantly bless the return of our beloved missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Archibald, to Chicacole, that He may grant them continued health and strength for the work so dear to their hearts.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE W. B. M. U. TREASURER FOR QUARTER ENDING, OCT., 31st 1901.

RECEIPTS.		F. M.	H. M.	TOTAL.
Rec'd from W. M. A. S. Nova Scotia.....	\$444 74	\$ 79 17		\$523 91
" " " " New Brunswick.....	83 13	7 20		90 33
" " " " P. E. Island.....	41 72	14 41		56 13
" " " " Annual Meeting Collections.....				45 06
" " " " Tidings.....				8 50
" " " " Leaflets.....				13 07
" " " " Mission Band Treasurer.....	140 92	48 29		189 21
				\$925 21
EXPENDITURE.				
Paid J. W. Manning, Treas. F. M. Board.....				\$2940 91
" " " " Printing Tidings.....				11 50
" " " " Leaflets.....				3 00
" " " " Annual Reports.....				59 20
" " " " Postage, Expressage and Wrapping same.....				9 12
" " " " Stationery.....				12 92
" " " " Pro. Sec. New Brunswick.....				3 00
" " " " Nova Scotia.....				2 00

Paid Miss Clarke, M. B. Sup. N. B..... \$15 94  
 " " " " Drafts, Discounts, Postage, etc..... 8 60  
 \$3066 25

MARY SMITH  
 Treas. W. B. M. U.

AMHERST, Nov. 1st 1901.

## LETTER FROM BOBBILI.

"From Tidings"

*My Dear Sisters:*—This is Monday morning and a great many things to see to, as the work commences, but if my letter for the *Tidings* is not started this morning, it will not get off by this week's mail on its journey to Amherst.

I have the mission house all to myself this morning, as Mr. Churchill is away on tours, and Bessie has gone to school. We have so much less money for the expenses of our school than we need, that she consented to take up the work as Head Mistress, with an assistant in Telugu, for a time and thus save the Head Master's salary. Her Assistant has been very ill now for three weeks, so that the work has been pretty hard on her. Her wheel too has given out, and repairs are 500 miles distant, so a walk of nearly a mile to the school in the morning, and the return walk after 10 o'clock, in these hot days, beside the work in school, is rather wearing.

The Maha Rajah has this year started a Caste girl's school in Bobbili, in honor of having received the title of Maha (Great) Rajah, and he associates his Maha Rani's name with his in this enterprise. Thus far, only a very few of my pupils have joined the new school, and these the children of H. H's retainers.

At our last conference in Tekkali, the Missionaries voted to make the Bobbili school, a central boarding school for girls from all of our stations. It is especially intended to send studious girls from the other stations to pursue their studies here up to the Lower Secondary examination, also for special study of the Bible, and to receive some practical training in work among heathen women. We have now a very promising girl from Palcondah, the preacher's daughter, this is her second year in our school, and one from Tekkali just entered, also a preacher's daughter.

Monday is the beggar's day and I notice, the crowd increasing from week to week. The outlook for the poor of Bobbili thus far is worse this year than last, but we are praying for rain, and expect our Lord will send it. If rain should not come, it will be a hard year for our Chekkagoosda and Mardapilli Christians. They send in letters requesting us to pray for rain, and I never felt so anxious for it as I do now. One of our most earnest Christians at Chekkagoosda, Chinappariardudora, has been called up higher. We went out on tour to Chekkagoosda in July and were very sorry on our arrival, to find him quite ill. Two men helped him to the little chapel on Sunday afternoon, where the Lord's supper was commemorated, and before the next Sunday