

of Matt. 11: 28: "Come unto MARY, all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and SHE will give you rest."

We have work now in four of the cities of the Republic—La Paz, Cochabamba, Oruro and Potosi. The three first-mentioned are manned by our own men, while the work in Potosi is under the leadership of Senor Saravia and his wife. The sowing of the seed is done by regular preaching and Bible teaching in the Mission Hall; by house-to-house visitation, and the distribution of Christian literature. So far very little touring has been done, as the cities and villages are so widely scattered, and facilities for travelling are so very poor. This is a feature of our work, however, that must be more and more developed.

A great deal of good could be done by a single woman with nurse and deaconess training. These people respond readily to kindness. We are hoping that the Board may be able to send someone to us for this work in the near future. I believe that even now one young lady is ready and willing to come.

As you know, work in all Catholic countries is very, very difficult. It seems that Roman Catholicism can de-

base and demoralize a nation as nothing else can, and when the people at last get their eyes opened to its shame, they have no use for any religion. One needs a deep-rooted faith in the power of the old Gospel to work on and not grow discouraged. When Rome is through with any nation, all character seems to have been rooted out of it, and very poor materials left to work with. We have only to read the history of England before the Reformation to learn that our own ancestors were quite as bad, morally and spiritually, under the same rule. We can only work on, leaving results with God. Those who come after will have the joy of seeing many of these people truly Christian.

Bolivia deserves a large place in your sympathy and prayers. We need the very best prepared men and women for the work here.

If I have helped in even a small way to arouse interest in missions among Catholics, and especially in Bolivia, my writing you will not have been in vain.

Very sincerely,

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THE MISSION CIRCLES.

A FORWARD MOVEMENT—LISTEN!

"Why could we not have Mission Circles in the homes in the small places, where it seems impossible to have regular Circles?" was asked by one of our Directors a year or two ago. This question, passed on by another, is responsible for the plan we are going to try to work out in Brooklyn.

We want to hold an evening meeting in some member's home, inviting all young women and older women, with their husbands. After presenting the great need for each one to be up and doing in the work of Missions, we hope

to organize a Circle with the following aims: Each woman a Circle member, contributing at least one dollar a year to Home and Foreign Missions, respectively, and as much more as she is able; one annual Thank-offering meeting each year, and, if desired, one other meeting; quarterly collections made by one appointed, and the money sent promptly to the Treasurers in Toronto, and each woman a subscriber and a reader of *The LINK* and *The Visitor*. The Thank-offering meeting, it was thought, might be most successful if held in a home during the winter months after Christmas. Perhaps some Circles would