

table boy and cook. These were to her the good things of this life. Often have I seen her exploring with great gusto the savory mystery of a pudding dish or drawing her long, mahogany finger alternately around the inside of a soup chattie and across her muscular tongue. But much as Lutchee loved these honied licks and smacks, she loved her nose-jewel more. Yet, sad to relate, her fondness for the one resulted in the loss of the other.

One day Lutchee, having performed some trivial service in the cook-house, received a cold meat bone as a reward; and, being ignorant of the use of plates, knives, and forks, she seized it in her hand and came toward that corner of the veranda where she usually concealed herself when feeding. But the bone was savory and Lutchee was hungry. She began to gnaw it tenderly.

Now, it happened just at the instant she was closing her white teeth upon the choice morsel, and admiring at once the flavor of the meat and the glitter of the nose-jewel as it reposed upon her projecting upper lip—it happened just at the instant when the bone and the jewel were in contact, that one of those large hawks, so common in India, sailing overhead caught sight of Lutchee and her prize and with one fell swoop carried away the bone out of her very mouth.

When Lutchee at length recovered from her astonishment and fright, she heaved a sigh of regret for the bone, rubbed her right eye with the ball of her thumb, and proceeded to adjust her nose-ring. It was gone!

The hawk, attracted by its brightness, had made the gold pendant his aim and carried it clean off with the bone! That he took it nobody doubts. What he did with it nobody knows.

Lutchee has no ornament in her nose now but a bit of straw; but she never indulges in a bone without a sharp eye for hawks.

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TO THE CIRCLES OF ONTARIO.

As it is very important that the Foreign Mission Circles should clearly understand the nature of the work which our Woman's Society has undertaken in India, I am pleased to be able to say that the Board has ordered to be published a number of leaflets giving this information in a clear and concise manner. This leaflet has been prepared by Mrs. Freeland, the President of our Society. Copies of it have been sent to the Secretaries of all the Circles in Ontario for distribution among the members, and also among the women of our churches. If any should be overlooked, or should fail to receive these from any cause, the omission will be at once rectified on applying to me.

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MR. TIMPANY's last illness must have been very short, as letters from Mrs. McLaurin and Miss Frith, dated February 13th, make no mention of it. Particulars may

be looked for by next mail, and probably before the LINK reaches its readers all that there is to tell will be known. Mr. McLaurin had sailed for Burma on the 13th; therefore a few women and the Telugu Christians would be all who were left to bury their dead and "hold the fort." We believe that God, who is a very present help in time of trouble, would give them strength equal to their day.

THE SECRETARY of the Foreign Mission Board has received offers from five men and one woman for service in India. May the Lord open the hearts of His people in the churches to supply the money necessary for the sending forth of, at least, two of these this year. "How shall they preach except they be sent?"

UNION MEETING IN TORONTO.

The Women's Home and Foreign Mission Circles of the Baptist Churches in Toronto held Union meetings in the Jarvis St. Church, on the afternoon and evening of March 10.

These meetings carefully and prayerfully planned and looked forward to with hope, proved even more interesting and useful than was anticipated. The afternoon meeting was convened at four o'clock. After Scripture reading by Mrs. Arthur McMaster, President of the Women's Home Mission Society, and prayer by Mrs. Alexander, came encouraging reports from the various Mission Circles, and several addresses. Mrs. Castle spoke earnestly of the need of union in Christian work. Mrs. Rose sketched the history of Modern Missions, and Mrs. Newman gave a vivid idea of the vigorous beginning and well defined purposes of the lately formed Women's Baptist Home Mission Society of Canada.

Mrs. Freeland spoke fittingly and with deep feeling of Mr. Timpany's personal character, work, and relations to our Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. Humphrey emphasised the personal responsibility of Christian women, and the duty of real self-sacrifice, in order that the Gospel may be given to the sad and degraded women of India.

The following resolution was moved and adopted: "In the recent unexpected death of Rev. A. V. Timpany at Cocanada, a great bereavement has fallen at once on his own family, the Telugu native Christians, his fellow-laborers in the mission, and the Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario and Quebec.

We recognize in the event the mysterious doings of an Infinite but All-wise and loving Disposer, to whose will we reverently bow, imploring His grace that we may prosecute the great work to which our fallen standard bearer devoted his life with increasing consecration and self-sacrifice. In tendering to our beloved sister, widowed in a heathen land, our purest and deepest sympathies and in committing her and her little ones in our daily prayers to the keeping of Him who visited the sisters of Lazarus, we ourselves mourn with her in the loss of her devoted husband, whom we shall ever remember as the organizer of the Women's Foreign Mission Circles in this province.

Resolved.—That a copy of this minute be forwarded to Mrs. Timpany, and published in the LINK and Canadian Baptist.

The evening meeting was public, and the Sunday School room was well filled. Rev. J. W. A. Stewart spoke upon Woman's Work for Missions, Rev. Alexander Grant depicted the need and prospects of the Home work, and Rev. Jno. Craig made a brief and earnest appeal for helpers on the Foreign field now left so nearly destitute.