

Every time they came it was a part of the programme to talk to them about keeping themselves clean, and many of them have taken our advice and come greatly changed in their appearance. Only a few wear any clothing at all.

They soon became so friendly that it was no longer necessary to go to their houses for them, but half an hour before the appointed time they were waiting outside the gate.

These lessons were held for about six weeks until we started on this present tour. On our return to the station we expect to continue them. Some of the stories which they have been able to understand best are "The Rich Man and Lazarus," "The Good Samaritan," "Christ blessing the children," and the "Parable of the lost sheep. Several of them can sing one verse of "Come to Jesus" very well and we are much encouraged.

We believe that He who started this work will carry it on to His own honour and glory.

Will you join with us in prayer for these children that the seed sown may take root in their hearts and a rich harvest of souls may be gathered in from among these little Telugus.

"Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, He will give it you. Kimey, Sept. 19th 1898.

Home Missions.

The first meeting of our W. B. M. U., Board of Home Missions was held on Thursday evening Oct 6th at Rev. W. E. Hall's. Mrs Hall was chosen convenor for the year. We were glad to have with us our two new members Mrs W. E. Bates and Miss Parsons. The subject of Home Missions was

well discussed and the following conclusions arrived at.

1st That through "Tidings" we ask all our Aid Societies to take a Christmas Offering for Home Missions.

2nd That through the same medium we ask all County Secretaries, and Secretaries of Aid Societies to keep this matter of Home Missions constantly before our Sisters.

3rd That as soon as possible the Board communicate by letter with every Aid Society in the Union.

Each member of the Board to share in the work.

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From the North West.

The following extract from a letter from our colporteur, Bro. Siemens, will be of more than usual interest:--

"The Mennonites are fallen-away or gone astray-Baptists and it is our duty first and foremost to bring them back to real life. I find in my work that the field is white to harvest and laborers are few. In a single day I found two young people, young man and lady, who lost part of their reason through having been convicted of sin and no one to lead them out of it. I was told two similiar cases were in Brandon asylum and others in the reserve. This young woman had been convicted through reading Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress. I talked most earnestly to each of them about the love of Jesus but got no response, excepting that on one occasion, when asked if I had offended them, they said, no. Are they not many who are earnestly seeking the way, seeking how to get rid of sin, but know not how. How can they when they are not told, yea, on the contrary are warned against a doctrine which tells