

filled:—"that it may not return to Him void, but that it may accomplish that which He pleases, and prosper in the 'thing whereto He has sent it.'"

Miss Gibson reports having visited 90 of the 111 homes opened to her, making 254 visits altogether during half of the year.

In several of these houses the women read the Bible regularly, and they with others who show an interest are visited more often and taught the truth. Some of these have heard the Gospel message for a long time, and seem to grasp it, yet when the usual idol feast comes every year, there are few who dare ignore it "because others do it," or because "what will the neighbors say?"

Many are met in these homes, who have heard the Word elsewhere—some are former school-girls, who have their New Testaments and are able to join in the reading and also help in the singing of hymns. Those who profess to believe in Jesus as their Saviour, are shown the privilege they have of witnessing for Him, and many are trying in their feeble way to teach those around them.

The most encouraging feature of the work is, that these women are learning to call on "the Name that is above every name," for the promise is, "They that call on the Name of the Lord shall be saved."

Prayer is asked for these poor secluded women whose lives are brightened by the visits and messages of our workers.

Miss Beggs has 100 houses on her visiting list, and 20 pupils under instruction. These pupils always have a hearty welcome for their teacher, and keep up their regular Bible lessons. Some have learned Ps. 1: 19, 23, 32; 51 and 131; Matt. 5, and 1st Cor. 13. Many are eager to know more of the Truth, and some are convinced that Christ alone can save them. One pupil has

left, but has taken with her her New Testament, which she was able to read for herself. Three very interesting Brahmin families are visited regularly and show an eagerness to have the Bible read and explained. One of these women said, "No doubt your religion is the true one; we know it is, but on account of caste and custom we have to go through all these foolish ceremonies."

Maseenamma (who is now trusting in the Lord), is one who has been visited for several years. She used to seem quite uninterested in the reading, and would often leave and go into an inner room to attend her cooking, etc. Latterly a great change was noticed—she became interested in all that was said and would ask to hear more about the love of Christ. One day she repeated a few Bible stories that had been read to her, and then said, "You thought I was not listening to you, but I heard all you said." Now, it seems that all she had heard formerly came back to her, and in her darkness, she found Him who is the Light of the World to be her Saviour. Since then, she has openly and consistently followed Him in her home, and says she longs to confess Him more openly. She is praying for her husband, and a change is noticed in him also—he listens attentively and bows his head during prayer. This is but one case of many cited, and serves to show how the Lord is leading on, and though there may be little to mark it outwardly, the year has been one of progress.

Miss Phillips sends a cheering report of her year's work—visiting the homes in and around Cocanada. She and the Biblewoman Chinamma have had an entrance into 490 homes, thus reaching several thousand women, some of whom had never heard the Gospel before. A number of Gospel portions and small hymn-books were sold and many papers distributed. In some of these houses