

On inquiring I found she wanted to be taught Christianity. I went to her house and heard from her the account of her life. She told me she had attended your school six years, you called her by a name which means "tall girl," and that the Bible truths you taught her and the texts she had learned never left her. She married, left Madras and came to Calcutta eighteen months ago. Her desire to be a Christian was great; she knew no one to go to and began to study her Bible and pray. Then God, she said, sent me unto her. Her knowledge of the Bible is wonderful. She has indeed been taught by the Spirit. She will sit any length of time drinking in the Word of Life. When I could not go to her she came to me, and sat for two or three hours learning Bible stories and listening to hymn singing. She was most anxious to be baptized. Mr. Billing, a missionary, knowing Tamil, most kindly saw her for me and examined her. He was struck with her intelligence and child-like faith, and said that she was quite ready for baptism. The husband also was anxious to be a Christian; he knows a little English and is in some Government office. At the baptism several Tamils were present, Christians and heathen, amongst the latter a young sister of 13 years (Iwanatama is herself 18). The heathen mother who lives with them and who is returning to Madras has given me this girl. If she keeps to it I mean to send her to the C. M. S. girls' boarding school here. She is most anxious to be baptized, and is, I believe, a real Christian. Their servant, a lad of 17, is also desirous of becoming a Christian. I wish you could have been here and seen her happy, peaceful face; how you would be rejoiced to see one whom you had been the means of leading to Christ, received into his fold. Sower and reaper can indeed rejoice over this sheaf. I felt that I must write and tell you that the seed sown so many years ago had brought forth fruit a hundred fold. I rejoice with you. To Him be all the glory who has brought this dear woman out of darkness into light. She looked radiant when I said I would write and tell you. Her remark was 'I am a Christian, will not the Mom Sahib be glad to know it?' She is very loving and clings so. Pray that this sheaf which God has permitted me to reap may be very jealously watched over by me."

### CHURCH OF ENGLAND ZENANA SOCIETY.

[In co-operation with the Church Missionary Society.]

Mrs. Tilton, of Ottawa, has been appointed Honorary Association Secretary for Canada. Miss Mulvaney, in her last letter to the Canadian Secretary, says:—"It would be a great help at headquarters if the annual report from each association could be sent to you, to make up a general report for the parent society." Will the different branches in Canada act upon the suggestion of the home

secretary, and forward a copy of their annual report for 1888-9, to Mrs. Tilton, Ottawa?

The Society's year closes March 31st. The year in Canada will close March 1st.

Will our Woman's Auxiliary members bear in mind the privilege of "gathering in" during the holiday time. The words, "he that gathereth in summer is a wise son," applies to daughters also.

DIOCESAN reports must be sent to Mrs. Houghton, General Recording Secretary, Treadwell, Ont. Financial statements sent to Mrs. Gregory, General Treasurer, Hamilton, by July 31st, that being the date of the close of the Auxiliary year. Diocesan secretaries and treasurers will please pay particular attention to this.

MRS. GREAVES, whom it will be remembered, visited Canada last year as a deputation from the Church of England Zenana Society, writes from London, England:—"How I wish you could be with us now at this interesting Missionary Conference, which is going on! We are trying to attend as many of the meetings as possible; we find them most helpful and stirring, so many questions of various kinds being brought forward, which we may find helpful in our work. It is pleasant too, to meet so many fellow-workers from different countries and fields of labor. The gathering, however, which has been of most importance to our own immediate society, was one held last Tuesday, the 12th inst, when our association secretaries, coming to London from the country, gave a report of the past year, in their various counties, when numerous difficulties were talked over, and plans suggested for strengthening and enlarging our interest, all over England. Rev. Wm. Karney, our Clerical Secretary, gave us a few very appropriate remarks at the commencement, reading some verses from the 7th chapter of Judges, about God thinning the army of Gideon, till He left Him but 300 men, that God might have all the glory of the victory, and that Gideon should trust in Him alone. This he applied so beautifully to us, dwelling specially on prayer, being our power for service. The question was asked all our Association Secretaries, How many meetings for prayer they had amongst their local secretaries and collectors? and, he urged these being formed, wherever it was possible, not waiting until a large number could be brought together, but being content with even two or three who would themselves join in prayer, and lay before the Lord any of the difficulties in their way. Would not some little gatherings of this kind be helpful to you also, if you could persuade the secretaries to have them? There are many Americans and Canadians in London now, among them the Lord Bishop of Huron, whom I hope to have the pleasure of meeting. Mrs. Rogers, too, our Secretary from Kingston, I heard a week or two since, was coming to England. I hope to meet her, too. May you be