

AMONG OUR CHURCHES.

AYLESFORD.—The regular work of the church was seriously interrupted during the entire month of April by the illness of the pastor. On the second and fourth Sundays the appointments were filled by Bro. A. I. Corbett from the College and Rev. R. D. Porter of Middleton, both of whom were much appreciated by the congregation on the whole field. The pastor is again at his post, and the interest in all branches of the work has not appreciably diminished. We look for still greater blessings from the presence of God's Spirit in our midst, and feel deeply impressed that the salvation of souls is as important in May as in January. Let there be no relaxation or diminution of efforts as the busy days of spring and summer come upon us, but let the first fruits still be given to the Lord, and to His work.

KINGSTON.—The interest in the regular work of the church is well sustained. On May 5th, we had an especially good prayer meeting. The attendance was large and a number expressed a desire to come back to the service of their Lord and get right before him. With united hearts and hands, much can be done during the coming months in the name of the Master.

MORRISTOWN.—In order that the pastor might be present at the weekly prayer meeting, a change has been effected at his request in the night of meeting from Wednesday to Thursday. All meetings are well attended and are especially marked by a large percentage of the younger members.

WOLFVILLE.—Mr. Gale, as reported in our last note, has been at work with us. He left some time ago, but the influence of his spirit-filled life yet remains. Never probably in the history of the town, has christianity been so freely spoken of and so highly esteemed by all, even the unconverted. The christian life of very many of God's people has been strengthened and deepened. The beauty of a clean, out-and-out, uncompromising life for Christ has never been so apparent, and never appeared so truly noble as to-day. Mr. Gale sowed the seed and has left it to us to gather in the harvest. Already twenty have united with the Baptist church, besides others who are connecting themselves with the Methodist and Presbyterians. On the evening of the 25th Mr. Trotter baptized seventeen. Of these fourteen were from the Institutions on the Hill. More are expected to offer themselves at our regular conference on the 29th.

CANNING.—A large attendance and a deep interest is manifested in the weekly prayer meeting and Sunday School as well as in the Sunday evening services.

PEREAUX.—Our pastor Rev. W. N. Hutchins, who for some time has been holding meetings at Blomidon, has been greatly aided in his work, by Mr. Marple, the Evangelist. The meetings have been well attended and many have expressed a desire to lead better lives. Sunday morning, Apr. 18th, Mr. Marple preached in the Baptist church at Pereaux, and in the afternoon our pastor baptized three candidates. Surely God is with his people in this place.

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MOTTO FOR THE YEAR:

"Workers together with Him."

PRAYER TOPIC FOR MAY.

For Mr. Sanford that he may have continued health, and great success in his work. For Mr and Mrs Gullison that they may speedily acquire the language and soon be prepared for service.

AYLESFORD.—Although our meeting was not quite so largely attended this month as we had hoped for—thirteen sisters being present—yet we believe that there is an earnestness and devotion pervading our workers which may well inspire us with courage to press forward.

The meeting was opened with prayer especially remembering our prayer-topic. An interesting letter from Mrs. Gullison was read, also other missionary intelligence. One of our sisters favoured us with a very suitable and well-delivered recitation.

Deeply impressed with the necessity of a greater number of workers in our field, it was proposed by our President that each sister present make a special effort to bring a new member with her next month.

Owing to illness among the sisters the public meeting which we anticipated holding in April was postponed for a few weeks. However we hope to gather our forces for a May meeting.

God grant that the power of His Holy Spirit may come upon all our dear sisters arousing each christian to this soul-saving work—this missionary effort.

TRIMONT.—The W. M. A. S., met at Mrs. L. M. Baker's on the 7th. Nineteen sisters were present. After the usual opening exercises a letter to the society from Mrs. Gullison was read, also extracts from private letters, which were both interesting and instructive. As we read these letters our hearts are made glad to think that one of our members is permitted to labour in India.

A farewell letter was read to Mrs. Geo. Spicer (formerly Mrs. Janetta Banks) and a Bible was presented her as a token of esteem from her sisters. She replied with a few words of thanks.

We shall miss our sister very much. She has been a faithful worker in the

mission cause and has been secretary of our society for some time.

After a season of prayer the meeting closed to meet next month at Meadowvale.

The officers of our society are now as follows.—

PRES.—Mrs. Thomas Steel.

SEC.—Mrs. Milton Baker.

TREAS. Mrs. Ellis Ford.

There is also a Vice President in each section,

EXTRACTS.

from a private letter from Miss Newcombe to the Sec'y of the Kingston W. M. A. S.

BIMLIPATAM, Mar 19th., 1897.

Thus far I have enjoyed Telugu very much indeed. I sometimes think I am living my first school days over, and know now just how glad and proud I used to feel over each new word added to my vocabulary. When you first come and hear the natives talking (seemingly about twice as fast as we do) in this new language it seems an awful maze, and that without any plan, and your heart sinks at once, you wonder if you ever will be able to say one word, let alone understand the natives when they talk. But word by word I find I am getting the language until now I actually can see some form to what they say, and quite often can catch a word or perhaps a phrase that I know. How easily difficulties are conquered when we master them one at a time.

Mr. Morse suggested that I follow "Prendegast's method of acquiring a language," and I find that it makes the study of Telugu not only easy, but a delight.

Mr. and Mrs. Gullison have been in for a week previous to their going to Chicacole for the hot season. It seems so delightful to see them again.

I did not get your letter finished on Friday, but must try to do so now, as we plan to start for Ootacamund tomorrow. Yesterday was such a busy day, getting everything packed so as to send off in the cart early to-morrow morning.

I think that I saw one of the saddest sights in my life yesterday. Talk of poverty at home! We know nothing of it at all. Every Sunday morning Mrs Morse feeds the beggars who may come to the gate. But yesterday it had been given out that they were going away, and all the poor people unable to work might come. What a spectacle as they came in and sat down under the trees! The maimed, the lepers, the blind, the old, the young, the middle aged, their scanty clothing more scanty still because too poor now on account of the famine to get anything, little as many of them wear. Some even had not as much as a dirty cloth to put their rice in. Oh! it was sad as you saw some little child leading a poor old blind

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