

from Infant A. up to Standard V. Our old quarters were such as to prevent us getting recognition from the Government, but now we hope to have recognition and to be able to protect ourselves from other girls' schools in the town, as they cannot receive pupils from other recognized schools without a leaving certificate. We have been losing our large girls in this way all these years. The teachers of the other schools influenced the parents of the girls and though many of them would much rather have stayed with us, they were obliged to go elsewhere.

Our work amongst the women is very interesting just now too, in fact it grows in interest all the time. So many nice bright young women, and some old ones too, are being regularly taught and appear to be very much interested. There are so many more than we can properly look after who wish to learn. Dr. Smith, with his staff, has just arrived, and he has brought Blandinamma with him, a very faithful and competent worker, and she is a great addition to our forces for the Zenanas in Cocanada town.

QUINQUENNIAL CONFERENCE.

ON December 28th-31st, 1905, the fifth Quinquennial Conference of the American and Canadian Baptist Telugu missions was held at Ramapatam. The watchword of the Conference was "Revival," and as you read the report am sure you will realize what a feast of good things we enjoyed. Over one hundred missionaries were in attendance, 12 from our own mission, 10 from Maritime Provinces mission, and the others American Baptists. Some of our younger missionaries enjoyed Ramapatam very much, because we saw for the first time the scenes of Timpany's and McLaurin's first home in India.

On the morning of the 28th, Conference was opened at 6 a.m., with an hour's devotional meeting, led by Mrs. McLaurin. The key-word was "Thanksgiving." Dr. Boggs opened the regular session at 8 a.m., and in this service also a deep spirit of thanksgiving pervaded the meeting. Review of the Quinquennium was presented by Mr. Heinrichs. This was most encouraging; in the past five years missionaries had increased from 129 to 152; stations from 41 to 51; native workers from 1,464 to 1,873; churches from 179 to 197; membership from 59,346 to 68,000; Sunday schools from 529 to 693; contributions to home mission societies from Rs. 393 to 1,185. John Rungiah has been sent as missionary to South Africa, and sev-

eral Baptist churches have been organized there. Educational, industrial and medical work has shown much progress, and indeed every branch of the work calls for thanksgiving.

In the afternoon, after devotional exercises, reports of the "Ravi" and "Teluga Baptist" were presented, then Mr. Archibald read a paper on "Evangelization of the Caste People." The great necessity of more workers among the Caste people was emphasized, and a discussion followed, in which many interesting and helpful things were said.

In the evening, with Mr. Craig in the chair, a welcome meeting to new and returned missionaries was followed by a paper on "Educational Relation to Government." This paper was very carefully prepared and well presented by Dr. Ferguson, of Madras. Needless to say the discussion which followed was a very lively one, for this is a live question among missionaries in India.

Friday morning, 29th—Morning watch was led by Miss Harrison. At 8 a.m., with Mr. Churchill in the chair, a devotional meeting was led by Mr. Stanton, followed by address on "Revival" by Mr. W. Bogges. Many took part in prayer and testimony. When Mr. Owen told of the recent blessing experienced in Atmakur, we rejoiced with him, and were incited to more earnest prayer for a revival in all our stations.

Friday afternoon was a woman's meeting. Miss M. Clark presided. Miss McLaurin led a devotional service, after which Miss Selman presented a paper on "Organized Work Among Christian Women." The training of our Christian women is a great problem, there are so many uneducated, and so many live far away from our stations that we are in great need of consecrated Bible-women to help us in this work. Miss Linker read a very carefully prepared paper on an important subject, "Should converts among Caste women be urged to be baptized?" In the discussions which followed many took part, the majority feeling that the whole truth must be taught if the Caste women come for baptism and the husbands drive them out, the responsibility rests with the husbands.

Friday evening.—The Timpany school was reported by Miss Corning. Then Mr. Jesse Chute read a paper on "Temperance," showing to what extent he had found tobacco and liquors used among Christians, and the cost of the same in comparison with money given for the Lord's work.