

and make it a duty to listen to the reading and explanation of the Scriptures. The marked interest and spirit of inquiry shown by these women has made it a perfect delight to talk to them.

All have not continued so eager to hear, but there are some who have remained the same and are really believing in Christ. One of these is a young woman belonging to a large and influential family. Miss Beggs asks us to pray for these women because every effort is used by the great enemy to undermine their faith.

COCANADA GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

Miss Murray continued in charge of this school until her home-coming last April. In her report to the Conference she speaks of having experienced blessing in both the secular and spiritual work. This she attributes to the increased prayerfulness of God's people in Canada and India on behalf of the school, due largely to the introduction of the Prayer Cycle. Conversions have taken place, and additions made to the church by baptism. The health of the girls has been good.

The Sunday School work in the town carried on by Miss Simpson has afforded the girls opportunity for active Christian work.

Three girls and women have continued in the Bible training class throughout the year and three others a portion of the time. Salome has become a much appreciated worker on the Anakapalle field, being supported entirely from the funds of the native Christian women's Helpmeet Societies of the Godavery Association.

Miss Baskerville returned to this school when Miss Murray left and for some time had both it and the Timpany school under her care. They are two miles apart. She writes:—

"When, after an absence of two and a half years your missionary was permitted to return to the land of her adoption, it was with deep joy and an intense desire to be used of God in the work. It was coming home, and the overflow of gratitude found vent in the fixed resolve,—'Henceforth this people, shall be my people, this land my own land.'

"As Miss Murray has reported the work of the school until the end of 1901, six weeks or so only remain to be accounted for before vacation, which began on May 15.

"Miss Murray left on March 31st and on April 1st I came to live in the compound here, where I could look after the work to some extent, as that

was the best arrangement that could be made. No one was available to help, and if we had engaged a teacher for the Timpany school for April, it would have involved the payment of her salary for May and June as well, an expense we could ill afford.

"Miss Murray had arranged the time-table before she left, so that the teachers of each standard taught that standard Bible lesson, in order that I might not feel it necessary to do any teaching while keeping up my classes in the English school.

"Miss Simpson very kindly undertook to visit the dormitories every morning to report any irregularities or cases of sickness, the early hour at which I was obliged to leave preventing my doing anything at all in the Telugu school until afternoon and evening.

"The withdrawal of close supervision resulted in much laxity in the domestic department, and there were disagreements and quarrels among the girls to an unusual degree. My efforts, for the six weeks I was in charge before vacation, were given to the settling of these matters, the care of the sick, the providing and giving out of supplies, and keeping the school accounts. After school closed a two weeks' visit to Pudimadaka, a little fishing village up the coast, where the Woodburnes and Miss McLeod were camping in an empty store house, helped to relieve the tedium of a hot season almost universally conceded to be unusually trying. I felt considerably benefitted by the change and rest, and invigorated by the daily salt water bath.

"Pray for me that I may be 'strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man,' and that I may be 'rooted and grounded in love.'"

TIMPANY MEMORIAL SCHOOL.

On the 4th of December, 1901, Miss Baskerville reached Calcutta on her return to India and at once took train for Cocanada, where a most hearty reception awaited her.

When she left Canada her hope and expectation had been to oversee the women's work on the Tuni field until Miss Priest's return; but at the request of the committee of the T. M. S. and with the consent of the Women's Board, she at once went to the Timpany School and entered upon her duties as Acting Principal. Her report is as follows:—

"The period during Miss Folsom's absence on furlough has been full of changes, and changes in school work are always more or less disastrous. Mrs. Woodburne returned from the hills in June, 1901, with the germs of the fever that afterwards