

halt, and I have been able to work continuously since coming back to India. Continue to pray for me for I long to be used in His service, not I trust because I wish to be great in the Kingdom of Heaven, but because I truly desire to see the Kingdom Come, and oh! I do want these people to have a part in that Kingdom when it comes.

CHARLOTTE M. ALFORD

#### EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM MR. CROSS.

"The quarter has been rich in blessing. We have been rejoiced to see a better spirit in the churches, a deeper earnestness. There have been clouds. Some have stood the trials and temptations of scarcity and pestilence. These however are very few, and we praise God for the victory which many have gained over Satan in these dark days. There have been 112 baptisms during the quarter. This number would have been augmented but we thought it prudent to leave many to a further test of time. The reception of new believers who are just coming out of dark heathenism is the greatest responsibility of the Missionary. Of these 112, sixty-five came from the Davi Sema, from four villages. It was in the Davi Sema that the Roman Catholic priests attempted to get the start of our Missionary B. Twenty-four came from Modumudi, a village where we started work a year ago, the village of the first episode of which I wrote about six months ago. Thirty-four came from Shirivoi Inka, a village from which as a first fruit six came last year. The others from two other villages where we have had Christians several years. We were somewhat loath to receive so many converts at one time, and examined them very closely. They all gave a good testimony, and seemed to have a good grasp of the Gospel. They had been attending services at least ten months. It was a great Sabbath when we all gathered on the bank of the great river Krishna, one of India's sacred rivers, and

after a very serious talk on the responsibility of the step they were taking, in which we be sought only who had not really experienced a true change of heart as well as conduct, to desist from such a serious step, we watched them, one by one, go down into the water and publicly profess their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord of hosts.

Bro. Cross reports the further addition of one member by letter, two by experience, and two by restoration, or a total addition for the quarter of five. Four Christians died and was excluded from fellowship. The total membership on the field on April 1st last, was 1,478.

T. G. BROWN.

#### AKIDU.

Miss Robinson, writing about the new bungalow, says — Mr. Chute and I have been over to see the work in the new bungalow. It is just across the road from here. We go over every evening to see how much farther it is on than the previous evening. The men are at work on the foundation now. In another month all work on it will have to be suspended until July or August, as we have only a little material (stone, kinkur, etc.) here, and no more can be brought in until more water comes into the canals, which will probably be about the middle of July. We hope to be into the bungalow by a year from now, possibly a little earlier. Building is slow in India. For the foundation the hole is not dug out for a cellar, as in a Canadian house, only the parts are dug where the foundations for the various walls are to be laid. At present the place looks like a plan of the house made out in drains instead of lines. They have begun the masonry now, and we are as greatly interested in seeing those drains filled up as we were in seeing them dug out.

N. W. BAPTIST.

## Our Work at Home.

### BOARD MEETING, EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC

**T**HE regular quarterly Board Meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, was held on the afternoon of June 8th, in the parlors of Olivet Baptist Church. In the absence of our President, Mrs. Claxton, the Vice-President, Mrs. J. I. Gilmour, took the chair. After the customary devotional opening exercises and reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, Mrs. H. H. Ayer, reported that after consultation with the Home Society and at their suggestion 5,000 envelopes had been procured for the use of Circles at Thank-offering meetings. These

little envelopes are neatly printed and can be procured free by any Circle, either from Mrs. Ayer, for the Foreign, or Mrs. Parsons, for the Home Society.

The Treasurer's Report included a reference to the Bungalow Fund, for which to complete our share of \$1,500, the sum of \$250.00 is still required. The regular report made a good showing, but the Circles are urged to remember that the Treasurer's books are to be closed this year on September 25th, and all sums must be in by that date, if they are to stand to this year's credit.

A letter was received from Dr. Pearl Chute, about her work in Akidu and the Girls' School