I did love the old body, and would have liked a last message from her, and I think she would have liked to "die in my hands," as they say, for she considered herself my special charge; but she is with the Saviour, to whom she was simply devoted, and it is well with her. Veerama was a wonderful woman, one of the brightest I ever knew. Large portions of God's Word were stored in her heart and mind. Her zeal was boundless, her cheeriness and faith never failed. She was so clever that no

opponent could stand before her, yet so tactful and kind no one could resent anything she said. She led scores to Christ, and many of us might envy her her success in the service and her abundant entrance into the joy of her Lord. You may assure yourself, dear Mrs. W., that you never spent money better than that you spent on Veerama, and I only hope you and all may find someone as worthy to take her place.

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## THE MISSION CIRCLES.

Hartford.—It has been a long time since you have heard from the Hartford Mission Circle. But we are glad to be able to report our Circle is very much alive.

We held our Thank-offering meeting in October. A good missionary programme was given. Our pastor, Rev. G. P. Near, gave a very interesting and instructive address on Missions. The offering taken amounted to nine dollars. During the year our membership has increased and a greater interest in mission work has been manifested by the women in the Church. Our offering to missions has been the largest in the history of the Circle. May our aim for 1917 be more earnest, faithful work for Christ, that others who have never heard of Him may have the opportunity of learning of God's love for them.

CARRIE VAN LOON, Sec.

Olivet (Toronto).—Our Thank-offering meeting was held on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1916, in the church, with a fair attendance. The President, Mrs. St. Clair, presided. We were very fortunate in securing Mrs. C. J. Holman and Miss Ellis of Moulton College, whose mes sages were given in an energetic, force ful and loving manner, and furnished us with a new store of knowledge of our womens' work.

These two capable speakers were indeed a blessing and an inspiration to us

The Choir, under the direction of Mr. Teese, assisted with an anthem, quartette and solo.

Our offering amounted to \$17.66. MRS. CHARLES T. SMITH, Sec. Kitsilano, Vancouver.—In connection with the above place of worship, the Mission Circle held its first meeting in 1917 at the home of Mrs. Dale, 6th Ave. Being a consecration service, a very impressive paper on that subject was read by the valued President, Mrs. Bateman. Interesting readings, a violin solo, and a song, "My Task," made up the programme.

The report showed that the Society had been very actively engaged in the special work for which it was organized, for not only had the budget for the year been fully raised, but the Soldiers' Xmas fund, as well as local mission work, had been materially assisted, evidencing that generous as well as liberal hearts are ready to respond to the call for the work of the Lord. A pleasant social time was spent whilst enjoying the "cup that cheers."

The members one and all were filled with fresh zeal for the cause which has formed such a bond of union between them. Sec.

North Bruce.—On Nov. 16 the Mission Circle held their annual Thank-offering meeting, the President, Mrs. A. E. Jones, presiding. Our pastor, Mr. Buckburrough, delivered a very interesting and instructive address on Missions. Mrs. George, Miss Nichelson and Mrs. D. McDougall favored us with solos. Miss Laura Cunningham of Glammis delivered a very interesting and instructive address on Mission work, also urging the necessity of a Mission Band among