

This year, however, we have had to pay the price of our prosperity and popularity. Jealousy and envy among outsiders grew and ripened into hate and active ill-will, and as a result of that and some natural causes, more than twenty of our pupils have left us. A few new ones have come to take their places, but we have even now only 59 enrolled. Teachers, as well as pupils, became disaffected, and changes had to be made in our staff. What seemed almost a calamity, has however, proved to have its compensations. Our new teachers are in full sympathy with our work, both secular and spiritual; and we find that an element which neutralized all our efforts has been removed by the withdrawal of certain of the pupils. Within the past week a revival has broken out among our boarders, and a thorough heart-searching is going on. Some hearts that have for years resisted all efforts to soften them, have been touched, and we are looking for a blessed work to be accomplished. Prayer-meetings continue for half the night, and agonizing prayers are ascending for the unsaved, and for the deeper spiritual life of the saved. We feel a decided change in the atmosphere of the school room. Pray for us, that the work may be thorough, and not stop till it has taken hold of the church and community.

Two of our boarding girls asked for classes to teach in Sunday School which were given them, and they are taking a hearty interest in the work. The Sunday School and Bible Class are well attended, and the school is made more attractive by the nice Sunday School papers which kind Canadian friends send us in abundance. We are very grateful for these, and after reading send them to other Sunday Schools in various parts of India, and to former pupils, by all of whom they are much appreciated.

Since writing my report, a little Brahmin girl has joined our school; making our number 60. Her elder sister, Kamalamma has attended the school for more than a year. They are two dear little tots, and as sweet and dignified as possible. Their father has broken caste, and is a believer in many of the truths of the Bible, but is not quite ready to identify himself with Christians. We now have four Brahmin girls and one native Christian girl on our rolls. These girls come to us to learn English, and English ways, but they have a Bible lesson daily, and we trust that they will learn something of far more importance than English.

We are glad to see a deeper work of grace being done in the hearts of our Christian girls, and we hope to see them taking a more lively interest in the souls of the heathen all about them.

There is a great deal of sickness, death, and distress in the country, and we are thankful to have been preserved thus far.

#### TIMPANY MEMORIAL MISSION TRAINING CLASS.

##### Miss Corning.

Our little band has given another year of willing service to the Master. I find in looking over the records that in three of our Sunday Schools not a session has been missed. The school that meets on our verandah was interrupted for a few weeks by the organization of the new Telugu Church. The morning service was appointed for the same hour this school had been meeting. We thought it would be well for the girls to attend the Telugu service, knowing that hearing the gospel preached in Telugu would be helpful to them and so decided to give up the school. But the children kept coming and staying until we arranged another hour for them. The attendance at the "Village School" has steadily increased until the verandah upon which we have been meeting is altogether too small. Last Sunday 95 children were present. Another school, although it has the smallest attendance, has been named "The School of Hope" because of the deep interest taken in the lessons by a class of young women. We believe that our prayers have been granted and our hope for them realized. In March three of them confessed their love for Christ and expressed a wish to follow Him in baptism. The parents who supply us with milk, and evidently did not want to offend me, did not show any decided opposition, but they have put one obstacle after another in the way, until, while they do not object to our teaching and always listen to the lessons themselves, we are quite sure they do not intend to allow any open confession of Christianity. They give the same reasons we hear so often—friends will turn against them and their business will suffer. One of the girls is a daughter-in-law, she is a bright, decided character and felt she should obey Christ at any cost, but she was at once sent away to her own people and we have not seen her for months. Meanwhile we go on with our weekly lessons and pray for the coming of the Spirit in