

when the men become Christians there will be no opposition from these women who have been taught.

**Cocanada Boarding School for Girls** (Miss Pratt).—The attendance has been 180, 45 of the number being day pupils. The headmaster has proved most satisfactory. Miss Peacock, a well-educated Indian Christian woman, has been appointed assistant. She has taken special interest in Christian Endeavor work; so outside as well as in the class-room she has given valuable help to the missionary. There is a most capable matron; infant class teacher and superintendent of needlework. Much help is given by pupil teachers, one of whom is an experienced Bible teacher. Monthly examinations are held regularly, keeping both teachers and pupils up to the standard. The inspector gave a very favorable report of the school; twice he said that he considered ours an ideal institution. He remarked on the culture and refinement of the girls, and was especially surprised when he learned that they were from the outcastes.

Added to the regular school work, there are special classes in domestic science, needlework and drill for the women from the training school.

Four Brahmin girls have attended regularly throughout the year, while others have come for shorter periods. Three high caste women came for English only, one being an editor of a woman's magazine.

There were 250 women present at the Christmas entertainment, 100 of whom were high caste women.

A number of the boarding girls have professed conversion, but only six were baptized. It was thought better for the others to wait. The girls' tenth amounted to \$40.00. Out of this, beside the regular church collection, they have given to several missionary objects. Over and above this, they made a donation to the Belgian Relief Fund from their own limited spending money. The girls are very thankful that in this time of financial stress the money still comes for their support, and they never fail to ask God's blessing upon their kind benefactors in Canada.

**Ramachandrapuram** (Miss Hatch).—This work is conducted along evangelistic, educational and medical lines. Three evangelists have been set apart for the work. One Biblewoman, who has rendered efficient service, is taking

a course of Bible study at her own expense. The other Biblewomen have done good work in the surrounding villages. The missionary, though much hindered by the unusually heavy rains and by pestilence, has spent seventy days in touring. The year has been rich in results; a number of caste women have been brought in. A Koma woman gave clear testimony, and was baptized. Two daughters of a former convert, pupils of the Cockshut Girls' School, were baptized at midnight under very impressive conditions. Beside these, two other caste women confessed Christ in baptism.

Enthusiasm in Sunday school work has reached high water mark, under our evangelist, who gives all his time to it apart from what is needed for the lace industry, which provides for his support. Beside the seven schools started last year, five have been opened this year. This is new work. The older schools are under Miss McGill's care, while the Field missionary has charge of the Sunday schools in the various churches.

Great eagerness has been shown for Bible portions, especially by girls from Government schools, 80 copies being sold in two villages.

The medical work has taken a forward step. It is one of the encouraging features of the year. A free lease of a dispensary and lot was given to Dr. Joshee by a grateful patient. It is situated in Kotapilli, a town that is sometimes called the southern Benares. Thousands of pilgrims gather there at certain times in the year to bathe in the waters, which are considered holy. Our missionaries have often spoken at these festivals, and distributed tracts, but there are no Christians in Kotapilli or in the surrounding villages. No permanent work had been done in the town. Dr. Joshee furnished the dispensary, and handed it over to the mission. No appropriation has been given for this work, but the Doctor has given two days a week, and has been assisted by Mr. Massey, who has been given a medical course by the lady missionaries of the station, assisted by Dr. and Mrs. Joshee. Next year it is hoped that the medical assistant will provide his own salary out of the fees received. The work begun by the Sunday school evangelist the past year has been carried on during the year, and in a recent tour the missionary was cheered by