

In a second there were more than twenty little girls on their feet, their eyes closed and ready to pray.

Three of our boarding girls were baptized last Sunday, and the Inspectress looked on and saw the second immersion that she had ever witnessed. Mr. Churchill had had fever all Saturday night, and was perspiring very freely on Sunday afternoon, but concluded to have the baptism, as the baptistry had been filled on Saturday, and the candidates were waiting. One of the girls had fever, and her people were afraid to have her baptized, so left her at home. I sent my Bible-woman for her, not knowing why she was absent. When she came I told her not to be afraid to follow Christ. He would see that no harm came to her, that Mr. C. had had fever three days, off and on, and he was going into the water. She went forward and was at school the next day, and the day after passed the examination very creditably; has had no fever since.

We had the "Brazen Serpent" lesson in our Bible Class a few Sundays ago. I tried to show my pupils as clearly as I could what true faith is, such as would secure to us eternal life. At the close of the lesson I said, "How many of you want to rise and ask God to give you this saving faith, or enable you to exercise it in the *lifted up* Son of Man?" There were six Hindoo girls in the class and two children of Christians, unsaved. Five of the Hindoo girls, and one of the others, stood up and earnestly prayed, one after another, for saving faith and eternal life. It was a happy season for me. O, if there were no *castes*, I believe some of my dear Hindoo girls would come out and follow their Lord.

On the 12th of July was the All India Sunday School examination, on the lessons for the half year. We could not return from the hills till the following week, so I requested Miss Harrison to go to Bobbili, and take charge of the examination for us. She came gladly and saw that everything was conducted according to rule, and sent in the examination papers to Dr. Boggs, who was appointed to test and mark the value of the Telugu papers sent in from different Sunday Schools in the Presidency and from Burmah. After we returned to our station the doctor sent me a note for my encouragement, and the encouragement of our helpers, who had faithfully taught the lessons in our absence, saying that "the Bobbili papers were by far the best of all. Among the 24 papers from the Bobbili Sunday School there was not one failure, and most of the marks were high." Besides these 24 who passed in the written examination, most of them in the 1st class, there were a great many of our younger pupils passed in the viva voce examination, and also pupils from our Panchama School, to all of whom certificates will be awarded. Miss Harrison said, our Gadaba pupils would have passed too, but they know so little Telugu that they could not understand the questions as printed. When she put them into simple Telugu they answered well, but no

examiner was allowed to change the question at all, from the words in which it was printed. We feel that so far as our work and our Sunday School work is concerned, we have had a very successful year so far, and for this we thank the Lord and take courage. But oh, we long for the conversion of the heathen around us, and out in all our villages.

If Mr. Churchill is able, we hope to go to Razagadda next week. The Jeypore Rajal has granted us the land for a mission compound that we asked for. And if there are no further delays, we intend to locate it, and get the writings drawn while out there.

We want special prayers for that section of our field, that we missionaries may have faith to go on and do all that the Lord wants us to do, in this needy place, where He has so signally gone before, and opened up the work for us, and that a great ingathering may speedily come from the work in the Razagadda Valley.

Ever your sister in Him and the work,
Bobbili, Sept. 12, 1902. M. F. CHURCHILL.

REFLEX INFLUENCES OF FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE LIVES OF FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.—It has been said that God is more glorified, and it might be added, man is more benefitted, by one conspicuous Christian, than by many ordinary ones.

This being so, how great the influences for good, not only in heathen lands where they have labored, but in Christian lands where their labors have been known, of such men as Carey and Judson, Livingstone and Paton, Moffatt, and indeed of our own beloved Timpany, with many others, the memory of whose lives will long continue to be a pattern and an inspiration.

Dr. Theodore Parker said that if the modern missionary enterprise had resulted in nothing more than the production of an Adoniram Judson it was worth all it cost.

What uplifting and enlargement, what interest and enterprise, what zeal and devotedness, what faith in God and in the power of the Gospel, such lives and labors tend to inspire and perpetuate. Indeed, it is hard to tell to how low a state the devotion of the home Church might have sunk but for the salutary influence upon herself of her Foreign Missions and Missionaries.

We believe in evangelistic work among the children more and more. Who form the inner circle of the average Hindu audience? the children. And what a pleasure to hear them sing the songs of Zion and answer questions about which their elders are seemingly ignorant.—Mabel E. Archibald, Chicacole.