

work I had so suddenly and reluctantly to lay down. My labor for the past year has been very much interrupted by sickness. The dengue fever left me weak and ill-prepared for the rainy season school work just upon us, but strength was granted day by day to attend to almost every duty till within a week or two of closing school, when exhaustion demanded rest. This fever was the cause of our having a much smaller number of pupils than usual, but gave us time to be very thorough with those few. God graciously smiled upon our efforts, and made manifest his strength in the time of our weakness, blessing our feeble efforts to the conversion of many of our scholars, and permitting me to close my many walks in Henthada by a visit to the water's side to witness some of our little ones put on Christ by baptism. It is impossible for me to say how long it will be necessary for me to remain in this country. While I am here, if it is thought best, it will be a pleasure to do what I can among the sisters of our denomination in giving them a better acquaintance with the work for which they are so nobly laboring. I hope my labor for souls will not cease while I have strength to repeat the loving story of the cross, should it please my Lord to keep me here or allow me to return."

MISS NORRIS.

At the beginning of the Convention year Miss Norris was at Bassein assisting in the school at that station, where her services were very acceptable. But, being deeply impressed with the importance of putting forth some effort for the Karens of Siam, and with the approval of several missionary brethren she left Bassein, and after going to Tavoy, made a tour across the mountains into Siam accompanied by some Karen preachers. Accounts of this tour have been given in our periodicals. Returning to Tavoy she took up the school work at that station, the American missionaries having returned to the United States in quest of health. She is still in charge of the schools there. In her last letter, dated May 7th, she says: "We have a Burman school of thirty, and an increasing Karen school of twenty-five. Last Sabbath over seventy at church, and quite a large Burmese Sabbath School. * * * My hands are very full of work." She is doubtless prepared to enter upon the work in our own mission field as soon as our other missionaries are ready to accompany her.

THE FIELD.

The principal question which has occupied the attention of the Board during the year has been the very difficult one, *where* shall our mission be established? Several localities have been under consideration. Strong appeals have reached us, setting forth the respective claims of different fields. Information has been sought from various sources. Advice has been asked of those well qualified to give wise counsel. After weighing well the comparative claims, and advantages, and prospects of the different fields proposed, with prayer for Divine guidance, and endeavouring to use their best