

then let us wait on Him till he does. But let not our weak faith lead us into a false position, an unholy alliance. I would rather not touch Government pice, they are not sanctified.

I think the free-will offerings of God's people are the proper means for carrying on God's work. If secular education be not God's work, it is no part of ours. One more word and I have done. I would ask all of you, my Christian sisters, to look back to the day when you resolved to leave all for Christ and come to India, and say what was it that moved your inmost soul to pity and prompted you to self-devotion? Was it not the inarticulate cry of the millions of the masses steeped in blackest depths of sin, ignorance and misery and passing through time out into eternity without a single ray of hope from the Sun of righteousness? The MILLIONS are in darkness still.

In spite of all the progress of Zenana and school work, the masses in our cities and still more the masses in our villages are untouched.

By all the solemnity of your first consecration vows, I implore you, whatever be your special branch of labor, in school, or Zenana, or hospital, or dispensary, to give some portion at least of your time to pure evangelistic work. Learn the vernacular of the poor and then go out into the streets and lanes of the city and compel them to come in. Go out to the poor out-castes and tell them of a burden-bearer for them. Go out into the villages, and as the women flock around, tell them in song and speech of the love of Jesus. Go out into the melas and festivals and lay hold of the women there and tell them of the water of life and the blood of Christ that can cleanse their polluted hearts. Preach the gospel to the poor and thus follow in His blessed footsteps, who spent the three years of his public ministry in seeking poor lost sinners in the towns and villages of Galilee. It will keep alive in your own heart that thirst for souls which is so apt to become deadened by long weary waiting for fruit from among our Zenana pupils. It will give you an opportunity of showing them that you regard the salvation of souls as of first importance, and every soul is in your eyes, as in God's, equally precious.

Oh, for more time, more strength. The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are very, very few.

OUR INDIAN STATIONS.

Samulcotta.

Mrs. McLaurin says, in a private letter, "Here we are settled in our new home, our fourth in India, our first without the children. The school goes quietly on. Mr. McLaurin is enjoying his work very much, and the students seem much interested. The most that I do is to teach English. I have, three classes, some well advanced. The women who can read well are in the Scripture and some secular classes. The others are learning to read. There are only five women, and only four babies. Next week we are to have a church established here, the "Seminary Church." Only the students and the four or five Christians here are to be in it. This is a hard backward place. Even the caste men will not receive visits from the Missionary, or have anything to do with him. As we can reach the women only through them, we cannot get at the women yet."

To see what is right and not do it, is want of courage. —Confucius.

THE WORK AT HOME.

Ontario and Quebec.

A CHANGE IN THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARYSHIP OF THE ONTARIO WOMEN'S SOCIETY.

Mrs. J. E. Wells, who, only a few months ago, so kindly undertook the duties of Corresponding Secretary, has, in the providence of God, been called to remove to Manitoba, in consequence of which the Board has reluctantly accepted her resignation.

At a special meeting held on Friday, the 9th of February, Mrs. H. J. Rose, consented to fill the vacant office, and was most thankfully and unanimously appointed. We bespeak for her the fullest confidence and most cordial co-operation of the circles of Western Ontario.

Will the SECRETARIES of Circles please to send their full post office addresses to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. J. Rose, 11 Gerrard Street West, Toronto!

Maritime Provinces.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W. M. A. SOCIETIES OF HALIFAX, N. S.

This meeting was held on Tuesday, the 23rd of January, in the vestry of Granville Street Church.

The reports of the Societies were read by the Secretaries and listened to with interest. Also extracts from some of the country societies were given by the Assistant Secretary of the Central Board, showing zeal and warmth of heart on the part of the sisters, and all breathing a loving desire for the spread of the Redeemer's Kingdom in the darkened parts of the earth. Encouraging and inspiring addresses were made by Revs. Dr. Saunders, J. W. Manning and the pastor of the church, Rev. Alex. MacArthur.

Some members of the choir gave us appropriate music, and a practical exercise was repeated by some of the Mission Band, entitled, "The Master is calling."

We had also Miss Havergal's "Sisters," recited by a member of the Mission Band in a beautiful and touching manner.

The chairman, J. F. Parsons, Esq., urged the importance of the formation of more Mission Bands, and suggested that rules and directions to aid in their creation, be published.

M. S.

How to Interest the Young in Foreign Missions.

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church issues a pamphlet on this subject, from which we gather the following:—

Children are easily interested in Foreign Missions, since their minds are eager for information, their hearts quick to feel the claims of sympathy and love. There are two methods of interesting them in this cause:—

1. By regarding the whole Sabbath School as a Missionary Society, just as the church, of itself, is properly considered such a society. Let two or more Sabbaths in the year be set apart for the cause of Foreign Missions; have a programme arranged previously, consisting of appropriate hymns, scripture readings, short addresses about the importance and progress of Missions, and per-