

Foreign Mission.

W. B. M. U.

"We are laborers together with God."

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PRAYER TOPIC FOR NOVEMBER.

For Paria Kimedy, its missionaries, outstations and native helpers that many souls may be saved.

Correction.

In October Tidings on page 6, one half way down the page, instead of Rev. Lyman Abbott, read Rev. Lyman Jewett, and please do not make the same blunder again. A lady in Fitchburg, Mass., has called attention to the mistake. This is right, we want to be correct in our statements.

Bridgetown, N. S.

A very interesting meeting of the W. M. A. S. was held in the vestry Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 9th. A large number of the sisters were present, showing that their interest in missions is deepening. This meeting was one of earnest prayer for greater consecration to the work in the home land as well as for larger blessing in the foreign field. The presence of the Master was realized by all present. It was our privilege to have with us Miss Jefferson, returned missionary from India, who is working under the Presbyterian board. She came to us filled with love for perishing souls, and her earnest helpful words and fervent prayer will not soon be forgotten by us. A social tea was held in the reception room, a large number participating. The public Crusade Meeting was held in the evening, which was one of interest. Miss Jefferson gave a pleasing account of her work in India, of the many discouragements, with which she met when she first went there, but God is working through his people, and prejudice and superstition is breaking down and the sweet story of the love of Jesus is eagerly listened to. Our thankoffering amounted to \$19, which we trust may be supplemented to a much larger sum. We are looking hopefully forward to the time when we will be able to make others of our membership life members. No change has been made in our officers this year.

H. L. DIXON, Sec'y.

The W. M. A. S. of Albert Baptist church observed "Crusade Day" on Tuesday, Oct. 1st. Wishing to hold a public missionary meeting we selected a moonlight night and therefore got a little ahead of the Proclamation Day. Tea was served at residence of Mrs. John Callon. The table was laden with good things which the sisters had provided. The thankoffering including the collection in the evening amounted to \$12.00. Our membership is increasing slowly. The Society took up the work last year of supporting a native preacher. We raised seventy-five dollars in all. There seems to be more earnestness in mission work. Our monthly meetings are very well attended. There have been read some interesting letters from Miss Blackadar, India, (we call her our Albert County girl). Two more life members were added, Mrs. F. D. Davidson (our pastor's wife) and Mrs. T. Colpitts. We now have five. In connection with the church there is a good Mission Band. If there were more young people as laborers, what a great work could be done!

MRS. EMMA SMITH, Sec'y.

"Increasing Interest in Missions."

A triumphant army of conquest, led by a triumphant commander, this was Paul's idea of missions in his day, and this is just what Christian missions are to-day, as we consider what they involve, we catch the spirit of the great Apostle and join with him in saying, "thanks be unto God who always leadeth us in triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest through us the savor of his knowledge in every place." The aim of missions is to seek, and to save, all for whom Christ died, and greater interest in this cause is a subject which touches the very centre of our religion. Whom do I see on Calvary's cross? "It is Jesus, the Saviour of the world. His infinite yearning over a lost and guilty world, his condescending missionary journey to earth, must have awakened the wonder of even the heavenly host; and if we would be enthused with the true spirit of missions, let us study the 'Word of God' and especially, the life of our Lord Jesus Christ, the greatest of all missionaries, and of the apostle Paul, who with untiring zeal, told the glad news of salvation through Christ; from the palace to the prison. Here, we have the brightest examples of true missionary lives; from here the missionary soldier receives his commission and marching orders; with full particulars as to how this battle against sin is to be fought, the weapons we are to use, the captain's name and character, the promise of victory. If we are faithful, the reward and crown when the battle is over. Lack of information on this subject is often at the root of indifference and causes lack of interest. We are often led to ask the question, why in our church membership are only a few alive to the importance of this great work? Is it because we do not love the Saviour who died that we might live? and who, when leaving this sin-cursed world, gave to his disciples that last great command 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel.' Why do we not heed the great commission?

Think of it! Christian! The Lord died for us on the cross and entrusted us with his dying command so many centuries ago, and the church has not yet fulfilled her mission, in giving the gospel to the people of all nations. Is it not time that the true church were roused up more fully to a sense of her real responsibility as to the unevangelized heathen, and those other sheep for whom the Good Shepherd gave his life? Surely there are eyes that see not, ears that hear not! One thing we do want is knowledge, for we cannot be interested in that about which we know nothing.

In all the Scripture great stress is placed on knowledge. When the walls of Jerusalem had been repaired, and Nehemiah would lead the people to make a solemn covenant, all who had knowledge, and understanding, entered into that covenant and made ordinances for themselves; that they should bring all their tithes and offerings into the treasure house. Paul, in his letters, prays that love may abound yet more and more in knowledge, that the people may be filled with the knowledge of God's will. Peter exhorts, add to your faith virtue, and to virtue, knowledge. It is through knowledge that the elements of success may be expected in any sphere; and our cause of missions lacks strength, just so far as Christians lack knowledge thereof. In these busy days it can hardly be expected, that the majority of Christians will voluntarily become acquainted with mission fields and their needs. Those things must be brought before them, must be presented in such a way that their interest will be gained. Methods may be adopted, to the conditions of individual churches and societies, but growth and advance there should be: for there is great need of a movement more deep and wide, more earnest and self-denying, than anything that has yet been attempted; to reach the unsaved at home, and evangelize the millions, who are in the darkness of heathenism:

"Shall we whose souls are lighted,
By wisdom from on high;
Shall we to man benighted
The light of life deny?"

Unless we find in the Gospel something which makes it worthy of being preached to others, we have not found in it that which makes it of any worth to us; we have missed its meaning, we do not know its power. God hath made of one blood all nations. The same blue arch of heaven stretches over all; the heathen are as truly human as we are, they are as precious in God's sight as we, their spiritual needs are the same. We are apt to think, that our superior acquirements must cause God to look with more favor upon us; than upon those who are lower down in the scale; but this is not so. There are no caste lines in God's kingdom, his children all belong to the royal family of the redeemed, and those who are not his children, are judged as lost sinners.

God so loved the world, not a part, but the whole. The gospel is not for the chosen few, but for all. It is not a strong high tower into which a few may find shelter from the raging storm; but is like a great life-boat, that rides over the foaming billows, bringing rescue to all who may be tossing about on life's tempestuous sea.

We who all our lives have lived in the light of the glorious gospel, do not, and too often do not try to, realize how much depends on our sending it to others. Not only does this work need us, but we need this work; for there is nothing that will so deepen and quicken the spiritual life of the Christian as to engage heartily in this God-given service. But as has already been said, there will be little or no interest taken in this work, of which there is little known. Then let us study the mission fields of our own denomination, learn the names of our own missionaries, and the field occupied by them, acquaint ourselves with the manners and customs of the people for whom they labor, get an idea of the aids and hindrances to mission work among the heathen people. In this way we will be able to form some idea of the great task which has been undertaken in the name and for the sake of our Lord and Saviour. Then we may widen our view, by learning of other work and workers, and as we study, our whole soul will glow with fresh zeal and energy; as we become better acquainted with the greatness of the work that Christ has committed to his church and people. And when Christians generally, have acquired an intelligent idea of the work that has been undertaken by our mission boards for the home and foreign fields they will have sympathy with the cause, and neither gift nor service will be lacking. And now the question comes to us, what are we doing? Are we sailing along content that the church or society to which we belong, is on the whole, making a very good record, or are we individually doing our best to increase the interest where it is lacking? Let those who are interested, earnestly pray that those indifferent ones who profess to be Christ's followers, may realize that the Master has a work for them to do in spreading this world-wide gospel. Yes, the Master is saying to each of us "child of mine, are you doing anything to give the gospel to those who have it not? I have given its priceless blessings to you, and I want you to do something towards winning the lost world to me. It is to be my inheritance, come and help me." Surely, if we expect to have a part in the grand chorus up yonder we must have a part in the work down here. Then let us give up all halting and doubting, take God at his word, ask of him for rich, full supplies from the store house of his grace; pray for a larger faith and that we may be enabled to yield ourselves entirely to the Holy Spirit's guidance. Then will our Leader help us to be bold and courageous for his sake; and by and bye, when we all stand before the great white throne, when our life's work will be investigated, may we hear the Master say "well done, good and faithful servants, enter into the joy of thy Lord." Then labor on, for

"In the distant East a brightening dawn is breaking
Out o'er those silent lands in joyous strains,
The sweet glad sound of 'gospel bells' are ringing,
Winging the joyful news 'Messiah reigns.'"

Long centuries had the night of sin in deepest darkness, Wrapped the sad millions of these orient lands,
No gleam of love, no glimpse of heavenly gladness
Reached China's plains, or 'India's coral strands.'

Those fields which have so oft been 'white to harvest,'
And left unreaped of all their golden grain,
Cry loud to us that we should be in earnest
To save the souls for whom our Lord was slain.

By God's rich grace to us the gospel invitation
In blessed rich effusion has been given;
Let us in turn to every tribe and nation
Send the glad tidings of a Saviour risen.

Till round on earth redeemed in one glad acclamation
The myriad tongues unite this song to raise,
"Unto the Lamb who once was slain" be highest
station,
And Angels swell the glorious hymn of praise.

IDA G. LEWIS.

North Sydney.

Financial Statement of the W. B. M. U. FOR QUARTER ENDING OCT. 31ST, 1901.

	F. M. A. S.	N. S.	H. M.	Total.
Recd from W. M. A. S., N. S.,	\$444 74	\$79 17	\$523 91	
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Paid J. W. Manning, Treas. F. M. Board,	\$2940 91
" Printing Tidings,	11 50
" " Leaflets,	3 00
" " Annual Reports,	59 20
" Postage, Expressage, wrapping same,	9 12
" Stationary,	12 92
" Pro. Sec'y. New Brunswick,	3 00
" " Nova Scotia,	2 00
" Miss Clarke, Sup. M. B. N. B.,	15 94
" Drafts, discounts, postage, etc.,	8 69
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MARY SMITH, Treas. W. B. M. U.

Amherst, Nov. 1st, 1901.

Amounts Received by the Treasurer W. B. M. U. FROM OCTOBER 17TH TO OCTOBER 31ST

Nutby, F. M. \$4; Hopewell Cape, F. M. \$3.50; Hantsport, F. M. \$2.50; H. M. 71c; Lewis Head, F. M. \$1.50; H. M. \$1.50; Osborne, F. M. \$3; H. M. \$1; Wolfville, leaflets and Tidings, 50c; Forbes Point, F. M. \$9; Walton, F. M. \$3.25; Jacksonville, F. M. \$3.50; H. M. \$3.75; Gabarus, F. M. \$5; Head of Jordan River, leaflets, 60c; Kingston Station, Tidings, 25c; Murray River, Tidings and leaflets, 61c; Alberton, F. M. \$1.75; St. Stephen, leaflets, \$1.50; 3rd Varmouth, F. M. \$7.25; H. M. 25c; Cavendish, F. M. \$7; Halifax, Tabernacle, F. M. \$5; H. M. \$3; Chipman, F. M. \$7.63; H. M. \$1.65; Tidings and leaflets, 97c; Little Bras D'or, F. M. \$1.50; H. M. \$1; G. L. 25c; New Minas, leaflets, 42c; North River, F. M. \$5; H. M. \$2.50; Tidings, 50c; Great Village, F. M. \$3.60; H. M. 60c; Kingston, F. M. \$10; Pugwash, F. M. \$3.10; H. M. 50c; proceeds public meeting, F. M. \$5.50; Mahone, leaflets, \$1; Greenwood, Tidings and leaflets, 61c; River Hebert, F. M. \$6; H. M. 16c; Carleton, Tidings, 25c; Durell, leaflets, 24c; Falkland Ridge, F. M. \$3; H. M. 50c; Bridgetown, F. M. \$8; H. M. \$4.05; toward life member, \$12.50; Acadia, F. M. \$3; Sydney Tidings, 25c; Petitcodiac, leaflets, 90c; Apple River, F. M. \$5; St. John, Leinster st. F. M. \$10; Summerside, F. M. \$4.50; H. M. \$4.50; Diligent River, F. M. \$2; Mission Band money, F. M. \$140.92; H. M. \$48.29; Truro, leaflets 9c; Homeville, F. M. \$4.50; Falmouth, leaflets, 30c; New Germany, F. M. \$5.75; Tidings, 25c; Milton, F. M. \$4.25; H. M. \$1.05; Tidings, 25c; Halifax, 1st church, F. M. \$20; H. M. \$10; Amherst, F. M. \$21.25.

MARY SMITH, Treas. W. B. M. U.

Amherst, P. O. B. 513.

Foreign Mission Receipts.

Annabel Watson, B. C. \$2; Dr and Mrs McDonald, for Mr G's support, \$10; Robert Marshall, \$5; A J Vincent for Mr G's support, \$5; Pulpit Supply, \$28; C. H. H. \$500; (Cambridge 2nd, \$3.50; Mill Cove, \$2; Jemseg, \$2.17; Leinster street, \$10; Frederickton W. M. A. S. \$3; Gibson, \$10; Macnacque coll. \$15.80; Cavendish, \$15.81; Charlottetown, \$9; Glace Bay, \$4.62; per I. C. Archibald; Maps, \$7; D N Slack, \$10; Billa History, \$1; Mrs H H Saunders, support of Mr G. \$5; Hon G G and Mrs King, support of Mr G. \$10; M A Soc, Berwick, \$20; Amos Hunter, \$1; A G Purdy, \$1; S C Freeman, \$5. Total to Nov. 1st, \$689.90.

Legacy, Mrs E N Archibald, \$100; India Famine Fund, C. H. H. \$100.

J. W. MANNING, Sec'y-Treas. F. M. Board.

St. John, Nov. 1.

King's Evil

That is Scrofula.

No disease is older.

No disease is really responsible for a larger mortality.

Consumption is commonly its outgrowth.

There is no excuse for neglecting it, it makes its presence known by so many signs, such as glandular tumors, cutaneous eruptions, inflamed eyelids, sore ears, rickets, catarrh, wasting and general debility.

Children of J. W. McGinn, Woodstock, Ont., had scrofula sores so bad they could not attend school for three months. When different kinds of medicines had been used to no purpose whatever, these sufferers were cured, according to Mr. McGinn's voluntary testimonial, by

Hood's Sarsaparilla

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