

high, but April and May, the two hot months, are rather trying.

We are both studying the language, and hope soon to accomplish it. There is so much to be done. I've had two native ladies calling, who are desirous to know something of Christ, and how I wished to talk with them. Our teacher comes every morning. The morning is the delightful time here. Calling hour is from twelve till two, everybody is supposed to be ready at these hours to receive. When Mr. Builder gets the language he will preach every morning and evening in the city. This will be trying, as we have such a poor room for preaching in and a miserable school-room, so small, but we hope to have better in time. Bradford school has promised to help to educate one or two children, and I hope to get aid from Ottawa and Hamilton.

Now I have given the bright side of Indian life, but how dark everything is concerning the natives. Their home life is so cheerless and they are miserable in many ways, have so little ambition. Many make their living by stealing; every bungalow has a watchman all night to keep away thieves; they make a hole in the wall and climb in. Mr. Wilkie has been robbed three times. I hope they will leave us alone; however, we are in safe hands and my faith is so strong since I came here. Although it is peaceful in Mhow Mr. Wilkie has great fighting in Indore. The native prince is so much against preaching the Gospel—he says it makes misery in the land, breaks home ties, etc., which in a way is correct, but perhaps in time light may dawn on his soul. The natives have even struck Mr. Wilkie but he has no fear.

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NOTE.—A Mission Band has been formed at Thorndale, Ont., also one at South Finch in the Glengarry Presbyterial Society.