

the chair at our first evening meeting, and also brought greetings from the C.C.F.M.S. of which he is the Treasurer. At this meeting (Wednesday evening) Rev. F. W. Macall spoke of his work in Marash, particularly of the conditions, the massacres, and of the work among the orphans. He gave us an interesting account of how the "relief" money, tributed from America and Canada had been expended, and another part of the convention Mr Macallum brought us a message from a woman's society, Marash, Turkey. On the second evening we had a most earnest and instructive address by Miss Jean P. Gordon on work in her field, the Marathi Mission in Western India. She referred incidentally to work among the lepers, in which work the Embre people are much interested. She also spoke most feelingly of the famine, and asked for prayer for the much-needed rain. Other items of interest during the convention were, a paper by Miss Rawlings, "Prayer and Missions", a discussion on ways and means of securing and retaining interest in our Auxiliary meetings; two reports of the New York conference.

Resolutions were adopted expressive of sympathy with Miss Sanders in her severe illness; of a desire for the increased missionary reading, of fellowship with all engaged in the struggle against the drink traffic, the most powerful and deadly enemy of the foreign missionary; and sympathy with the families of soldiers slain or wounded in battle, sick or dying in the hospital, and offering our prayers for the speedy conclusion of this war. Votes of thanks were also given to our kind entertainers, including the pastor and his wife; to those who so beautifully decorated the church, to the choir, and to all who in any way contributed to the success of the Convention.

And so we parted, with hearts refreshed by Christian fellowship, strengthened by interchange of thought, and more determined by God's help to "put the best of ourselves" into our blessed work.

### *Letter from Dr. Massey.*

CISAMBA, ANGOLA, West Central Africa,  
400 miles south of the Congo  
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MY DEAR FRIENDS, — My last letter told something of our weeks' stay at the coast. Now for the trip inland, a distance of 300 miles, and covering twenty four days; a well beaten path winding among hills and streams is our road. This is the main caravan road to the interior, and over it travel thousands of shackled slaves. Slavery was nominally abolished in Portuguese territory twenty years ago, but it is still ran-