

ary mother ministering to her own needs, forgetful of those of her children.

Nay, she has even been known to say, "I cannot teach missions to these children of the church; but they get some instruction in missions in the Sunday School, and that is enough. I need not concern myself further about them." Ah, Mrs. Sunday School, kind neighbor. Can we leave it all to you?

This is why we have children's mission bands. This is why we ought to have more and more of them. Children cannot organize their own societies; they cannot teach themselves; that is ours to do. The missionary feast is spread upon our table; is it too much trouble to help these eager little ones to share in it, properly chosen and prepared? Is it too much trouble to do this for the children in our homes—even to feed them with our own hands when they are very small? And should it be asking too much of Mrs. Woman's Missionary Society that she make herself responsible for the organizing and leadership of a mission band wherever her children are found?

Does this apply to your woman's society? Have you a mission band in your church? Has your woman's society a constant and helpful interest in it? If the present leader of the band should resign would your woman's society, as a matter of course, carry it on by keeping up the meetings till a new leader could be found? Oh, these pitiful little bands dying for want of leadership, with a table full before them! Who is responsible?

Answer, if you please, well-fed and comfortable mother! Answer, Mrs. Woman's Missionary Society!—M.R.S., in *Lutheran Woman's Work*.

DELTON CHURCH, EDMONTON, ALBERTA

The Delton Circle Thanksgiving meeting was held in November at the church. Owing to illness our President, Mrs. Harris, was unable to be present. The Vice-President, Mrs. Killip, had charge of the meeting. Mrs. Bingham, of McDonald Circle, gave us a short talk in regard to the relationship which should exist between the Mission Circle and the Mission Band.

Miss Bouland, of India, gave us a very vivid description of her work among the criminal tribes of India. The address was made very interesting by the use of pictures and an Indian costume worn by Miss Bouland. The offering for the day amounted to \$16.25.

MCDONALD CHURCH, EDMONTON

The Mission Circle of the McDonald Baptist Church, Edmonton, held its annual Thankoffering meeting on Nov. 19 with a good attendance. President in the chair. Meeting was opened with the Jubilee hymn "Jesus saves." After prayer 14 young ladies gave a Thankoffering Bible reading which was much appreciated. A very pleasing feature during the evening was the presentation of three Jubilee pins to members of the Circle, ladies who had served the Mission Circle faithfully and well for a number of years.

Miss Bullard, returned missionary, gave the address of the evening, telling us of her work which is among the robber tribes of India. She was very earnest in urging the Young People to take up their life work among those in India. Music and singing was much enjoyed during the evening. Collection amounted to \$70.00.

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AILSA CRAIG

A meeting of unusual interest was held in the Ailsa Craig Baptist Church in September when our Circle held a Thankoffering meeting. The President, Mrs. (Rev.) Wylie, presided, and our Directress, Mrs. Baldwin, of London, gave a very inspiring address. Special music was provided. After the offering was taken, which amounted to \$40, all went to the school room, where dainty refreshments were served, and a social time enjoyed.

Our receipts to Foreign Missions \$110.50, and to Home Missions \$62.00 for the year.

We thank our Heavenly Father for all the blessings of the past year, and hope to accomplish greater things for our Master in the year we have entered.

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