

thought of revelation, and when we can rise high enough to grasp this idea, we are only then peering through the basement window of true Christian fellowship.

Our work in Summerside is encouraging. Our Sunday-school is growing and this is a very cheering feature. At this present time much sickness prevails. Our Sunday-school superintendent—Sister C. G. Beattie, is very ill with pneumonia, but we trust past the most dangerous stage. We pray God for the restoration of a life so useful. The little ones engaged in mission work have lately had several open meetings. We are a missionary people. We have sent Bro. McLean our appointment for foreign work. H. E. COOKE.

SOUTH GARDINER, ME.

Bro. H. Murray is now South Gardiner, Me. He finds the people very sociable and zealous. There are large numbers attending the meetings which he is holding, very many of whom are not Christians, and the outlook is good. Three married men made the good confession the first week. May the good work go on. H. W. S

Home Mission Notes.

By direction of the Coburg street Sunday-school we gave \$20.00 towards the Portland church—our most promising mission point.

The contribution this month from Lord's Cove places it among those churches which will respond as liberally as they have been requested to.

The work in Halifax is surely growing. Bro. Blenus's preaching at Elmsdale and Enfield will result in good fruit. Halifax raised over \$32.00 in its foreign missionary collection. They intend to obey the whole commission as far as in them lies.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$400 39
St. John—	
Coburg street Sunday-school, ..	20 00
“ “ Mission Band,	7 00
Portland Sunday-school,	3 48
“ M,”	1 00
Lord's Cove—	
Per. D. F. Lambart,	18 00
LeTete—	
Elder Wm. Murray, ..	1 00
Cornwallis—	
Mrs. H. Corbet,	50
Mrs. J. T. Jackson, ..	50
Milton—	
Per Miss M. G. Freeman,	2 80
Halifax—	
Per T. H. Blenus,	25 00
South Range—	
H. A. Devoe,	1 00
Southville—	
Per H. A. Devoe,	3 00
	\$574 62

J. S. FLAGLOR,
Secretary.

Post Office, St. John.

Foreign Missions.

Maritime C. W. B. M.

*Expect great things from God.
Attempt great things for God.*

DEAR SISTERS—I know that you were all pleased to learn that the society at Tiverton has been re-organized, also of the work taken up by the children there. We gladly welcome our sisters who have come in to help us in our missionary endeavor, and their assistance is especially needed at the present time.

We are still behind in our offerings, and we want to make a grand united effort from this time until our annual meeting, that we may gain all that we have lost; and be able to report even greater success than in the past.

That you may understand how very important it is that we bend all our energies to this work, I may say that the Ontario sisters have been unable to collect what they had hoped and expected to; therefore the responsibility rests more heavily upon us than before. Can we, dear sisters, think of our missionary with all the care which is already hers, being burdened and hindered in her work, because that we are not doing faithfully our part, and this is at present the case, and will continue to be, unless we come up to her help more promptly than we have been doing in the past months. We must not falter. We must not go backward.

Will you not each make the matter a subject of earnest prayer, and go to our meetings with all the facts which you can gather concerning the work, and so full of enthusiasm that all the others will catch the same spirit, thus making your society an inspiration to the whole church.

MRS. J. S. FLAGLOR,
Secretary.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY CATECHISM.

QUESTION.—Have all the world heard the gospel?

ANSWER.—Half of the world, or more than 700,000,000 never even heard of Christ.

Q. What is their condition?

A. “Women groan, children perish and men live like beasts.”

Q. Has China heard the gospel?

A. Not one person in 400 has ever heard the name of Christ.

Q. Are there any cities in China where the gospel is not preached?

A. There are a thousand cities, strategic centres of population, without a missionary.

Q. What of the condition in India?

A. All Hindu sects believe in the sanctity of the cow and the depravity of women. Forty million lie down every night of the year in hunger upon a mud floor.

Q. What of the condition of women?

A. About 40,000,000 of them are confined in zenanas. There are 21,000,000 widows; 80,000 of them are under ten years of age.

Q. How much is spent to evangelize all India?

A. More is spent to evangelize Chicago than all India, two hundred times as large.

Q. What of Africa?

A. “Africa is bleeding out her life-blood at every pore.”

Q. Are there enough missionaries in Africa?

A. One region whose population exceeds that of the United States is without a missionary.

Q. What proportion of our churches gave to foreign missions last year?

A. One in three.

Q. How much do our people average per member?

A. About ten cents.

Q. How much is given to evangelize each heathen?

A. About one-half cent each, or one three-hundredth part as much as for the people of this land, yet they are equally precious before God.

Children's Work.

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DEAR GIRLS AND BOYS,—

It will be a pleasure to you all, I know, to have a letter from our dear Miss Rioch again. What a privilege we have, working for our Saviour in Japan and India as well as in Canada! Let us remember each other in our prayers that we may be “true to the trust he has left in our keeping.”

Your loving friend,
MRS. D. A. MORRISON,
Sup't Children's Work.

TOKIO, Japan.

DEAR CHILDREN,—

You will be wishing to know how the little ones in the poor school did at their examinations, and how many earned the Bibles for learning the Sermon on the Mount off by heart. As I told you not long since, most of the bigger children of last year had left the school to go to work, so that left only a very few who were really old enough to attempt so great a task. The result was that only one boy won the prize. He learned most of it by himself at home, and could sing it off. The children always sing their recitations here, chapter after chapter, without hesitating. When at the closing exercises of the school he was presented with the Bible, I thought, well, if anybody ever earned a book, that surely was the one. The child is only eight or nine years old.

In their other examinations they did much better, as far as seeing results is concerned. The books some of you were making for them have not yet arrived, so other prizes were substituted; but they were not received with quite so much pleasure, things from America being thought so much prettier.

You will all be glad to learn that the new school will soon be built. Have at last secured the land and the men are at work on the foundation, which consists of about a dozen rocks placed at intervals for the logs of the house to rest and rock on in an earthquake. We expect to be in it not later than March. How glad we will be when it is finished, you can imagine. Will write you all about the opening in my next.

Dear children, don't forget to pray for us every day; we need it so much.

Wishing you a bright and happy new year, I remain, yours lovingly,

MARY M. RIOCH.

RECEIPTS.

Previously acknowledged,	\$125 61
Kempt—Women's Auxiliary, ..	2 00
St. John—“ “ “ “	2 00
“ “—Sunday-school,	6 37
Westport—Women's Auxiliary, ..	1 00
Milton—“ “ “ “	9 30
Total,	\$146 28

CHILDREN'S WORK.

Previously acknowledged,	\$40 24
Upper Rawdon—Chee ful Gleaness, ..	85
Summerside—Sunbeam Mission Band, ..	1 48
St. John—Wide Awake Band, ..	04

Total,

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