

hearers are near believing. . . Ludia is not very strong, but her spirit is keen. I sent for her to join me in a near village the other day, and she took cold rice water and came early. She should have cooked a good meal and come. As she did not she had fever for several days. A younger woman, Shantamma, who was to help her, sometimes feels her own importance too much, and the elder woman resents it. Please pray that they may each esteem the other better than themselves. They do work together happily often, and could always if Christ came first.

### THE VUYURRU BOX

Vuyuru, Kistna, 12, 1, '26.

Dear Link Readers,—The Vuyuru box did not reach us until after Christmas and as we spent Christmas in Pithapuram, we did not even get a peep inside it until we returned from Conference. This was just a few days ago.

What excitement there was in the opening of the parcels! Elsie and Patty both helped me and it gave them lots of pleasure.

We are very glad for all the good useful articles you sent us and we do appreciate all the hard labour and thought that the preparation and sending must entail.

Will all those who sent parcels for our Vuyuru school accept our heartiest thanks and sincerest gratitude for all the good gifts which will help give the Telugu girls and boys a treat at least once a year.

I hope to write to those whose addresses I have but in case some should not receive a letter from me, will you please accept the above as a message of appreciation to you.

"Blest be the tie that binds  
Our hearts in Christian love."

Rose Gordon.

### CANADIAN BAPTIST MISSION CONFERENCE AT COCANADA.

The Annual Conference of the Missionaries of the Canadian Baptist Mission was held from December 30 to January 6 with an attendance of 67 out of 75 missionaries now in India. The devotional meetings each forenoon were unusually helpful. The general theme

was "The Promises of God:" "Exceeding great and precious." The promises of life, peace, wisdom, power, suffering, fruitfulness and companionship, were treated on as many successive days. In the afternoon prayer services some of the most devotional of the Psalms were considered. The Conference sermon by the Rev. John Hart on the text, "I bear branded on my body the marks of Jesus," was exceedingly helpful.

Reports of various departments of the work were received. The Sunday School report showed 946 schools with an attendance of 20,438 pupils. The Orphanage at Vizianagram shows an increase in attendance, 65 orphan children now being given a home. Rs. 972 was received from the sale of articles made by the children. The Leper Home at Vizianagram had an average of over 70 inmates and ended this year with 85. The Mission to Lepers gave Rs. 6,000 for a new chapel which is now completed and to be dedicated probably this month. The Leper Home at Ramachandrapuram received a gift of Rs. 13,500, the largest in the history of the work in Ramachandrapuram. This is from a lady in the United States of America and is to be used for the erection of a residence for the Superintendent of the Home. No leper has been refused admission although one quarter ended with a deficit of Rs. 300. The number of inmates has increased from 107 to 120. The year began with a balance of Rs. 1,300 and ended with one of Rs. 510.

Excellent work has been done in the Industrial School and Factory in Cocanada and there has been a definite progress but much disappointment is felt because so very few boys avail themselves of the opportunity for a thorough training in carpentry, carving and drawing may now be taught in the school.

The Vizagapatam High School, so long conducted by the L.M.S. and for over twelve years by the Home Board of this Mission, has been transferred to a newly formed Society, to be known as the Vizagapatam High School Society. This is composed of a number of missionaries of the Canadian Baptist Mission and other interested European, Anglo-Indian and Indian friends.