

boarding school girl, but for nearly a year on the Bible-woman staff, was married in March, to one of the seminary teachers, so has also gone to Samalkot to live. Chinamma was lost to the work in Vuyuru for a short time. Minnie's time is now entirely given to teaching those who desire to be taught regularly. Miss Gibson, Miss Beggs, Chinamma and Lydia, each have as pupils, those who desire weekly, or by-weekly lessons. Some of these have made very good progress; some of them under great disadvantages. This is a most encouraging work.

*The Caste Girls' School* staff has also had changes. In July Josiah Burder being unable to continue his studies, returned to his post as head master in the Robinson Street School. He was married in March and in May he and his wife and brother Titus moved into the down stairs rooms of the Caste Girls' School buildings. Miss Simpson has long coveted a place for some of the Christians here in the heart of the town, and believes this move to be a great step in advance, as Josiah and his wife are earnest consecrated Christians, whose lives will tell for Christ in that community.

It is difficult to retain the older and more advanced girls in the Caste Girls' School, and the school has suffered in this way, but as a number of new little girls have entered the attendance is much the same as last year.

Several of the girls have been withdrawn because they carried too much Gospel into their homes. The Christian teaching was objectionable to their friends.

*The Sunday School* work was continued until the middle of May, when the girls in the boarding school and the young men in the Industrial School were nearly all dismissed for vacation and so a number of the Sunday schools were also dismissed for a time.

Miss Gibson, in her report, describes the women of India as "without God and without hope." "Three hundred and thirty-three names to worship but no God" "How many gods are there?" she asked one of the women. "When we are free from care and trouble there are many Gods to worship" she replied, "but when sorrow comes there appears to be but one, the Father above."

*Miss Gibson* tells of success and defeat during the past year, of joy and sorrow, of encouragement and discouragements and of constantly meeting fresh women who have never heard the message of Truth

before. "Eternity alone will reveal the triumphs of the Gospel among these women." She tells of the death of the old deaf woman who has so often been mentioned in former reports and says "not long before she died I went to see her. Several women followed me into the room; to these women she testified of the forgiveness of sins through Christ the Son of God, and said she was not afraid to die. They were astonished and realized that it was well with her."

During the past six months Miss Gibson has been invited into more new houses than ever before. In these houses she is sure to meet some who have never heard the Gospel. A few houses where the hearers have become indifferent have been dropped or visited less frequently.

In most houses visits are made once a month or once in two months, except in those where girls who have left school are learning regular Bible lessons. To these fortnightly visits are made, and to one or two others where good attention is paid and a desire is shown to know more of God, or where one seems really anxious about her soul and with simple faith grasps the truth as she hears it for the first time. One old woman who said she was troubled about her soul, when told that the Saviour had paid the debt and set her free, accepted the message with joy as if she had no doubt about it.

*Miss Beggs* has had great joy in her pupils who have made fair progress in their studies. She reports the Bible students as interested in the Life of Christ, and other women remembering the Bible stories when but once told, which formerly had to be repeated several times. They not only listen very attentively to the Scripture lessons but make Miss Beggs ask them questions the next time she comes to prove to her that they have not forgotten.

Many interesting stories she tell about her "dear women." One, a Brahmin, came to her in great darkness and weighed down with sorrow because of the death of her brother and sister within a month and asked Miss Beggs to relate something about her Saviour. The story of Christ was told and a couple of hymns sang. One of the women remarked "He must be a true God to do such a miracle, all that you have said is true." The sorrowing woman said "I feel the weight from my heart gone now. I will serve that great Saviour. The light has come to my heart."

In some of the houses the older relations of the pupils are interested in the religious instruction