

Sister Belle's Corner.

(For the Little Folks who read this Paper.)

DEAR BOYS AND GIRLS.—Printers makes mistakes sometimes like other people, so if you use the little hymn I copied for you in October, please sing the last two lines this way:—

And hear His words of praise so sweet
"Well done, my little child."

Some of our Mission Bands admit very little folks as members, and I have found two short recitations for them to learn.

There are many little children,
Away across the sea,
Who do not know that Jesus
Once died for them and me

What can I do to help them? —
I'll show you in a minute,
For when they pass the plate around
My pennies will go in it.

And another little member can learn this verse.

The love of Jesus prompts us
Our mites to earn and give,
To send the blessed Bible
Where heathen children live.
That those who worship idols
May learn the better way;
May know and love the Saviour
And serve him every day.

A dear friend of missions has written the following questions and answers for her Mission Band, to be used when the collection is taken up.

1. Whom does God love? "God loveth a cheerful giver."
2. What words of the Lord Jesus does Paul tell us to remember? "It is more blessed to give than to receive."
3. How have we received, and how shall we give? "Freely ye have received, freely give."
4. From whom do all our good gifts come? "All things come of Thee, of Thine own have we given Thee."
5. How much did Jacob give? "Of all that Thon shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee."
6. What did David say about giving? "Neither will I offer burnt-offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing."
7. What example of giving did Jesus show us? "Though He was rich yet for your sakes He became poor that ye through His poverty might be rich."
8. What was Paul's rule for giving? "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God prospered him."
9. What last words of the Lord Jesus teach us to help the heathen? "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

All cannot go themselves to be missionaries as many as would wish to, but if we cannot go, our pennies can help to send some body else.

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Rev. J. Craig sends the following clipping from an Indian paper of recent date:—

WIDOWS IN INDIA.—Some interesting facts are gradu-

ally coming out of the bureau at Simly where the figures of the census are under distillation. For example how many widows are there in India?—does the reader suppose. This is a question that may be put to unsuspecting victims with the certainty that they will make an absurdly wrong guess. There are no less than 21 millions of that interesting variety of the genus *homo*, up and down the area over which Mr. Plowden's eagle glance extends. Considering the mischief which one widow may sometimes do at home—with the immense advantages her experience gives her as compared with the helpless spinster—it is fearful to think of the bachelor-destroying power represented by the tremendous figures just quoted. Or it would be, if in sober earnest, it were not more fearful to think of the wasted lives and widespread unhappiness which the infamous folly of the Hindoo system in regard to widows has engendered. Of course the great majority of the widows must be innocent virgin victims of the barbarous child marriage system. There are native religious reformers trying to do their best to eradicate this wretched custom, but unfortunately it is only by a very few European philanthropists in the country that their efforts are efficiently seconded. Most of the force that might be available for the intelligent reform of native superstitions is spent idly in a futile front attack on the impenetrable fortress of their religions.

THE EXCHANGE DRAWER.

The following manuscript papers have been kindly placed at our disposal for the use of the Circles. All who wish to avail themselves of these helps to Circle meetings can do so by sending a postal card to Mrs. M. Freeland, P. O. Box 8, Yorkville, naming the paper requested, which must be promptly returned.

"Reasons why we should make the monthly meetings interesting, with some hints as to the best means of doing so," Mrs. H. J. Rose; "Why we work," Mrs. J. J. Baker; "A day in Cocanada Mission House," Mrs. McLaurin; "Woman's work in Missions," Mrs. A. V. Timpany; "The condition of women in India," the late Mrs. J. Coult; "Sketch of the W. M. A. Societies of the Lower Provinces," Mrs. W. H. Forter; "Our Sisters in India," Mrs. Armstrong; "Christian Activity," Miss J. M. Lloyd; "He shall have dominion from sea to sea," A Member of the Winnipeg Circle; "China and her Missions," Mrs. H. K. Gaffney; "Dawn of Day in the South Seas," Mrs. C. Alloway; "Missionary Colonization, as Illustrated by the Hermaunberg Mission," Miss Muir; "Our Part of the Work," Miss J. McArthur.

For Mission Bands, "The Telugos and their Country," Katie McLaurin; "A Missionary Colloquy," Mrs. Fitch. "Two Telugu Girls," Mrs. J. McLaurin.

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