

of the Presbyterian, and Miss Bentley and Mrs. Burns, of our own Circle. The meeting was enlivened with music, and at its close our young ladies served a lunch.

We have another society that I think has never seen itself in print. It bears the name of the "Young People's Missionary Society," and its organization was on this wise. It was laid upon our hearts to try to do something to bring our young people into line in mission work. A Band seemed impracticable as many of our children lived in the country and could not attend meetings, and besides a Band did not reach the young men.

On a cold stormy night in February of 1880, our society was organized in the parlor of our president, with a membership of seven. It has now increased to twenty-five. We have never waxed very great, neither have we ever waned very much, and by the good hand of the Lord we continue even unto this day. Our meetings are informal in their character, and are still held in the house of our president. We endeavor in this society to cultivate a love for all departments of mission work, and so we have contributed something for Foreign Missions, a little for Home, Manitoba, Grand Ligne, and a mite for the Vancouver church. Just now we are working on our annual subscription to the Garside Fund.

We have no regular fee, but take up a collection at each meeting. The Society was originally composed entirely of young people, but latterly it has been reaching out its arms and gathering in some of the children with good results.

This, my sisters, is what we have done, it is not the measure of what we might have done, yet we have been blessed in doing even this in His name.

If we needed any other motive, save the command of the Master, for engaging heartily in mission work, we surely have it in the recent numbers of the *Baptist*, containing Mr. Stillwell's account of the spiritual destitution on the Cocanada field. How helpless it makes one feel, and how foolish seems our wisdom, and how weak our strength apart from the Lord. But let no sister's heart fail her, for, "In His strength, we be fully able to possess the land."

We hope the coming meeting in Toronto will be very successful, and earnestly pray that the King's gift to the gathering may be much of His own spirit, manifested in drawing you very near to Himself and in wisely-formed plans for the promotion of the extension of His kingdom to the uttermost parts of the earth. A. M. B.

LINDSAY. The second annual meeting of our Home and Foreign Mission Circle was held in the church, Tuesday afternoon, September 11th. The Circles of Port Perry, Fenelon Falls and Whitby were represented and gave a very encouraging report of their work. Very interesting addresses were given by Mrs. J. F. Barker, of Whitby, and Miss Nellie Hamilton, of Port Perry. A solo, "Come unto me, all ye children," was well rendered by Miss Ward, of Birmingham, England. A bountiful tea was served, and all enjoyed a social time.

In the evening a public meeting was held. In the presence of Rev. Mr. Anderson, our pastor, the N. P. Clayton Parker, of Peterboro' church, took the chair and delivered a short opening address in his usual happy manner. Mrs. J. F. Barker was then called upon and delivered a very excellent address on "Why women should be interested in Missions." Rev. Dr. Williams, of the Methodist church, addressed the meeting on "The spirit of Mission work," and was followed by A. Alex. Grant. Mr. Grant was listened to with marked attention and frequently applauded. An excellent musical pro-

gramme was rendered by the choir, and we were also favored with another solo by Miss Ward. The attendance at both meetings was very encouraging, and the church was beautifully decorated with flowers. The collection amounted to over \$19. Our contributions during the year have amounted to \$31.45. We trust the interest in mission work is increasing among us, and hope with God's blessing on our efforts to do more than we ever yet have done to spread the glad news of salvation.

M. C. M.

COBOURG. Although we are a "Mission Church" ourselves, and not very strong either financially or numerically; still some of our sisters feel that they would like to do something for the Master in the way of helping on the cause of missions. So in May we wrote to Mrs. Barker, of Whitby, asking her to come and organize a "Circle" for us. She kindly responded to our call, and on the 8th of June we organized, with a membership of fifteen. Since then we have been steadily growing in numbers, and I trust in grace and knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus. The urgent cries for help from both Home and Foreign Mission fields, led us to make an extra effort. On the evening of August 31st we gave an entertainment. Notwithstanding unfavorable weather, we had a very good attendance and spent a very pleasant and profitable evening, realizing from the offerings of our friends about nine dollars. This, with two dollars more from the treasury, we send to be divided between Home and Foreign Missions. It is not very much; we wish we were able to send more, but we give it gladly unto the Lord, knowing He will not despise even the small things that are done in His name.

CORA EWING, Sec.

MALAHIDE BEREAN. Dear Link. Your visits are greatly appreciated by us, and, as intelligence from the Circles is generally interesting to ourselves, we thought that a few lines from us might be acceptable to others. The first public meeting of our Circle was held on the 22nd of Aug. for which we were favored with the presence of Mr. McLaurin, returned missionary. The meeting was opened with devotional exercises; Rev. R. McConnell, of Michigan, led in prayer. The President, Mrs. Elisha McConnell, then briefly reviewed the history of the Circle. She deeply regretted that so little had been accomplished by them in the past, but was hopeful that they would be more faithful and diligent in the future. The President then called Deacon John Haggan to the chair, and he presided over the meeting with dignity and ability. Revs. Geo. Mason and A. T. Soworby delivered short addresses, after which Mr. McLaurin spoke for upwards of an hour, and had the earnest attention of the congregation throughout. His address was very inspiring, and could not fail to give a deeper interest in Foreign Missions to those who heard it. Excellent music was furnished by the church choir; also a solo by Miss Chute, of London, and a hymn in Toluqu by Misses Ettip and Mary Timpany, daughters of the late Rev. A. V. Timpany. Collection \$18. The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. H. A. McConnell, of Indiana. The meeting was in every respect successful, and the members of the Circle are greatly encouraged.

EAST JEDDORE.—Our monthly meetings have been fairly attended, and a good deal of interest manifested. We cannot report an increase of membership. Thro' have been added, but others have ceased to contribute. Our dear sister, Mrs. Grace Webber, has been removed