

rains we can get no vegetables at all unless what come from home in cans. Then our butter, flour and home fruits come from America. So you see it is quite expensive living here. Men do all or nearly all the house work. No woman will cook, wash, iron, etc., men do all these and always sweep with a broom made of rushes such as I have seen at home used in stables or on the street crossings. Women do labor work, for instance the British Government is erecting a Court House and women grind brick for mortar, carry brick and all such work. I am very sorry to have to tell you that this building going up by British Government is worked upon Sunday as well as every other day, so we have no help in this respect from officials, indeed all heathen think it strange we do not buy anything or have the same routine of work done on Sunday as through the week.

In closing we wish and pray that each member of the Band may grow up to love and serve God with all their heart, mind, soul and strength. Do not think you are too big for it; may be God wants some of you to be missionaries and the more you know of the work and the world the better. Then we want you to pray for us for where there are so many things to look after and when we never hear a sermon or prayer that we can understand there is a danger of growing cold.

Some day we hope to come to see you all and learn that you are each and all God's very own children, not only in name, but in heart.

The heathen here cannot understand why every person in Canada and America are not Christians when they have been taught of God and had the Bible all their lives.

God be with you till we meet again.

Your affectionate friend,

MRS. GRIGG.

[This letter was written to the Perth Mission Band.]

NEWS FROM MISSION BANDS.

ST. GEORGE.—The Annual entertainment of the Ropeholders Mission Band was held in the Church on the 18th of May. Our Pastor, the Rev. J. Hollinghead, in the chair. The meeting was opened with devotional exercises, followed by a short address by the chairman in his usual happy manner. The Secretary's report was then read showing a marked increase in interest and numbers. A good programme was then given by members of the Band, consisting of missionary exercises, recitations, readings, music and dialogues in costumes of different countries. During the evening two beautiful duets were given, "Raise me Jesus," by Misses Bell and Wilbur; and "Sweetest Voice," by Misses Wilbur and Myres, which contributed much to the enjoyment of the audience. A dialogue by nine young ladies, "Aunt Polly's Conversion," was also much appreciated. The collection amounted to \$8.42 which goes to help support our girl in Cocanada, India. We have thirty-eight members, an increase of seventeen during the last two months.—Yours in the work, M. B., Pres.

NEW BANDS.

TORONTO JUNCTION.—Band organized May 18th, with fifteen members. Name "Busy Bees." Pres., Miss Robertson; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Houston.—Mabel Stark, Sec. M. B.

CHEBOGNE, YAR. CO., N.S.—A M. B. embracing the whole S. S. was organized in May. Meetings are held and once every three months a programme prepared.

WEYMOUTH, DIGBY CO., N.S.—A M. B. was organized in March, 1893, with forty-one members; and a number have since been added to the roll. The name of this Band is "The Jewel Gatherers." Four of the members have lately been converted, which means, of course, added strength to the whole Band. On May 9th, another Band was organized with 12 members, in another section of this same church.

PT. MAITLAND, YAR. CO., N.S.—A Mission Band was organized about the end of May, Mrs. David Crosby President.

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