

"Co-operation," and was very helpful and much enjoyed. Several musical selections added to the enjoyment of the evening.

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Western Association.—Advantage was taken of the proximity of the Convention this year to the western counties to secure one of our missionaries to visit a few of the Circles who were desirous of having one at their Thank-offering Meeting. Thus it came about that the Director carried off Miss Mould with her for a few days, and on November 17th was present at the meeting at Essex, where she gave a thrilling account of her work at Falkonda. There was a good attendance, the thank-offering amounting to a little over \$16.00.

On the following evening Kingsville Circle and Band and Young People's Society united in a Thank-offering Meeting. The elements were in an unfavorable mood, which had a negative effect on the audience, but in spite of rain, the meeting was quite interesting. The president of the Circle, Mrs. J. Vissard, occupied the chair. The Band gave a selection of music, and Miss Muriel Vissard sang a solo very pleasingly. Miss Mould was in fine form, and kept her audience in a listening attitude for a considerable time. Miss Ritchie also spoke, giving some echoes from the Convention. The thank-offering amounted to \$11.45, and more is expected to be added to it.

JANE RITCHIE, Director.

HOW ONE SUPERINTENDENT IMPROVED A CRADLE ROLL.

By Elizabeth F. Guptill.

Our Cradle Roll had grown very small, nearly all the children having passed the six year limit. There were plenty of children in town, so the Superintendent decided to improve that Cradle Roll right away. There was no Sunday School Cradle Roll, so the problem was to have a Roll that would unite the best features of both. This is how she solved it.

There is enthusiasm in numbers, so instead of a lone Superintendent, this Cradle Roll is managed by a committee of three, and the other two members of the committee are the teachers in the Primary room in the Sunday School—an ideal combination when you wish to unite the Rolls.

First, we divided the town, one taking the houses one side of the river, those on the other side. Every home connected in any way with our church, and all those not connected with any church, was visited; that is, if it contained a child under five years old. We found the mothers glad to enroll the babies as Little Light Bearers. To each child was given the little mite box, but the dues are not emphasized, some children, where there were more than one in a family, being told to save ten cents, or more if they chose, others saving the fifteen cents. Many saved a quarter or more, and two little boys saved nearly a dollar each.

The names were given to the Superintendent, who sent to each child an enrollment card, and also enrolled them in the little record book, keeping an account of the birthdays. On each baby's birthday he receives a pretty card from her, with a little birthday wish in rhyme. The children (and mothers as well) appreciate these. In fact, many of the little ones know the Superintendent as "the Post Card Lady."

We have one of the Wall Rolls, with spaces for names, hanging in the Primary room of the Sunday School, with the little emblems, a rose for the baby who begins to come to Sunday School, a train of cars for the baby who moves away, and a cherub for the baby who dies. Fortunately, we have not needed to use any of these, as all our little members are very much alive.

We take the little paper, "The Golden Now," for the mothers of our babies. This is sent them from the Sunday School by the children, as far as may be—the others being taken to the mothers by one of the committee.

When the little ones are four, we invite them to come to the Sunday School—some coming even younger. Here, of course, they bring pennies, some for Sunday School, and some for our own special little girl in Sinclair Orphanage, but until they come to Sunday School no pennies are asked for, save those put in the little mite-boxes.