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Editorial.

A GENERAL feeling of regret would pervade the minds of our sisters who are specially interested in our Foreign Mission work, as they learned of the removal of our beloved sister, Mrs. Newman, to Texas, and her consequent relinquishment of her position as editor of the LINK. Her name has been a household word for nearly 17 years, and the zeal and ability with which she conducted our paper made it, as one well qualified to judge said, "second to none of its kind." It is not only as editor of the LINK that Mrs. Newman will be missed, but as a member of our Foreign Mission Board, her keen insight and judicious council were invaluable, and her general interest in the Society seem to make her going an irreparable loss. Many prayers will follow her in her new sphere where she and her husband realize the Divine Call to another field of mission labor.

L. L. P.

WITH the present number the LINK enters upon a new era of its history. In assuming the Editorship I do so with a deep sense of responsibility in consideration of my inexperience and the importance of the work. It has been undertaken with much hesitation lest it should fail to maintain its high standard of efficiency and thus continue to promote a deepening interest in our work. Mrs. Newman's sudden removal necessitated prompt action and few women being available for the position, when the Board after much prayer for guidance, appointed me so unexpectedly, it seemed that it might be the will of the Master that I should undertake it, looking for strength and wisdom to aid and direct in its management. I desire to thank my many sisters for their kind words of encouragement and assurance of their sympathy and co-operation. I would earnestly ask them all to pray that I may be so guided that our paper may ever be a help and inspiration in our work.

TO OUR READERS.—In gratefully accepting the services of Mrs. Porter to fill the position occupied by Mrs. Newman with such loving faithfulness for over sixteen years—a position entailing great responsibility and much anxious care—the Board again desire to bespeak for the new Editor the hearty co-operation and earnest sympathy of every sister who is trying to obey the last command of our Risen Lord and to whose care have been entrusted the women and children on our Mission field in India. By enlarging the circulation of the LINK and promptly renewing all subscriptions we shall greatly encourage the editor and increase the usefulness of the paper. Will each present subscriber therefore try to obtain at least one more and so be a helper in the work.

M. FREELAND,
Vice-Pres. W. B. F. M. Soc., Ont.

A WORD of welcome and greeting to our new Editor, Mrs. W. H. Porter. We are glad Mrs. Porter has undertaken this important work. She brings with her many qualifications, which especially fit her for this important position. Having long been an active, useful and respected member of the Women's Foreign Mission Board, she is well qualified for her new duties as editor. It is no small care to edit and manage even this little paper, which has a circulation of nearly five thousand. Let us all help by being prompt with our own subscriptions and encourage others to be the same, thus sharing the burden and responsibility. But while welcoming our new editor, we all regret that our tried and faithful Mrs. Newman has left us. Not only have we lost her from the LINK, but from the Board meetings, where her quiet, wise and judicious advice was always appreciated. Her going is a great loss to us, but we know she will be appreciated in her new home in Texas. Let us remember her request to "pray" for her, as we will also for the new editor who needs