

The soldier does not choose his service; he carries out his orders.

**Question:** If every Christian would say from his heart, "I am ready to do whatsoever my Lord shall appoint," how long do you think the Tools would be idle; and what would be the effect upon the Great Task?

Are YOU READY? Is not this the Test?

HARRIETT S. ELLIS.

### OUR OBJECTIVE.

Cocanada Boarding School.

Miss Beggs and Miss Gibson.

We are trying, as one of the aims before us, to support one of the grades in the Cocanada Girls' Boarding School, and if we are to do that we must know something about it. This school was started away back in 1880 for the daughters of Christian parents on the north-eastern section of our field. Miss Baskerville was the first Principal, and has been, with the exception of her furloughs, until 1909, when Miss Pratt, who is still Principal, took charge. They have an Indian headmaster, an assistant lady principal, a matron, infant class teacher, and superintendent of needlework; also pupil teachers give much help. The girls, who come both as boarders and day girls, are given a good literary education, and are taught as well sewing, cooking and physical drill. From among these girls come the Biblewomen, the school teachers, and the wives of preachers and teachers for different parts of the field. The attendance last year was 180, 45 of these being day girls.

The school buildings and the dormitories are in the Davies Memorial Compound, immediately behind the Harris Bungalow, where Misses Baskerville and Pratt live.

Then, too, we are to try and support Miss Gibson and Miss Beggs. I suppose every girl knows these names. Miss Gibson entered our work in 1884 as assistant to Miss Frith, who was then missionary to the women of Cocanada. Miss Beggs joined the force in 1885. They were both members of the English Baptist Church in Cocanada, and during these more than thirty years these two have gone in and out of the homes

in Cocanada, teaching, reading, praying with the women, preparing a highway for our God, and many, many are the results which they have seen from their work. Last year Miss Beggs had 122 houses on her list to visit, and Miss Gibson 115.

### NEWS FROM CIRCLES.

**Aylmer**—The Young Women's Circle of the Baptist Church held their December meeting on Tuesday evening, December 14th. This meeting took the form of an "at home," to which the Senior Women's Circle members were invited. An invitation was extended to all women of the Church and congregation interested in our work.

Owing to the efforts of the Programme Committee, the School of the Baptist Church had been cleverly converted into a reception room for the occasion.

At 8 o'clock a large number of ladies had gathered, and we began the meeting with all joining heartily in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Mrs. Mitchell, the President of the Circle, presided, and in a few well-chosen words welcomed our guests and briefly reviewed the Circle work of the past year, and gave suggestions for the future year's work.

The recitation, "Patchwork," also the solo, "Perfect Day," were given by two Circle members, and were much appreciated.

The reading selection given by Mrs. T. S. Johnson from the book, "Where the Silver Maple Grows," certainly well illustrated the true spirit of real giving. Perhaps the leading number of the evening was the dialogue, "How Not to Do It," creditably given by several young ladies of the Circle.

A good-will offering was received in daintily decorated bags, labeled "India" and "Bolivia."

The roll-call was taken, to which each member responded with the name of a foreign missionary and the respective station. An invitation was extended to any present who wished to join the Circle, and twelve new members were added to the roll. Light refreshments were served, and the meeting closed with prayer.

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