

they should close their books on the 15th of October. The amount then on hand for Foreign Missions should be forwarded to me at once, as my books only remain open until the 20th.

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W. B. M. U.

MOTTO FOR THE YEAR :—" We are labourers together with God. "

[The usual matter for the W. B. M. U. has not reached us. We fear it has been lost in the mails. We give some items that were left over from last month.—ED.]

HILLSBOROUGH, N.B.—On Thursday evening, June 21st, a large number of ladies representing the W. M. A. S., of the First Hillsborough Baptist Church, gathered at the parsonage and presented the pastor's wife (Mrs. C. W. Townsend) with a certificate of life membership in the Woman's Baptist Missionary Union of the Maritime Provinces. The presentation was made in an appropriate and effective speech by the President, Mrs. J. A. Blakeney. Both Mrs. Townsend and the pastor responded, expressing their appreciation of the honor conferred.

THE LARGER EDEN.

By Pastor J. Clark.

Since the days our parents fell,
In yon far-off Paradise,
Earth has never looked so well,
Nor so bright yon starry skies ;
Thorns around are thickly sown ;
O'er their graves the nations moan.

Yet we trust we yet shall hear
Angel-songs on earth again,
Ringing out, both sweet and clear,
O'er a world redeemed from pain ;
When mankind, from shore to shore,
Walks with God, as once before.

Let the happy hour draw nigh
When Thy gentle, loving voice,
Shall be heard beneath the sky,
Bidding man again rejoice,
Glad, from sin to be set free,
Glad, Thy smiling face to see.

Let the wide-world's scanty flowers
Bear a sweeter, richer hue ;
Shedding perfume through the hours,
Bright with pure and heavenly dew ;
Let the souls of men be fed
With Divine and heavenly Bread.

Bid again, Thy children rise,
Lifting holy eyes above ;
Clear once more the clouded skies ;
Fill all hearts with grace and love ;
Mighty God ! through Thy dear Son,
Speak the word, and all is done.

Goodness is Thy nature, Lord !
Kindness meets creation's needs ;
Let us hear the wondrous chord
Sounding through Thy mighty deeds ;
Let Thy power work all abroad,
Bringing all mankind to God.

Let man love his fellow man ;
Bid each heart be pure and kind ;
Ransomed souls Thy wonders scan ;
In Thy Truth all treasures find ;
Thus shall Time's long sorrows end ;
Earth and heaven in gladness blend.

Westchester Station, N. S.

WORK AMONG WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

The last year has been the best of my three in India, and it has left the promise of a better one to come.

With the exception of the month of May, I have spent the entire year on our field. Two months more were spent touring with my tent, but the most of the time I have been at the station. Here various interests have occupied us. At one time a number of the High School boys used to meet every Saturday afternoon in my room, and together we studied several chapters from John's Gospel. Touring and examinations interrupted us, but a few are still coming. At another time the Women's Bible Class claimed a good deal of attention. During all this time we visited homes in the town and in the neighbouring villages. Often we came home down-cast and weary ; but sometimes, hopeful and happy. During the interval of about five weeks between Mr. Gullison's going and Mr. Churchill's coming, many of the Christians used to gather on my verandah every evening, except Saturday, for prayer. We usually talked for a few moments about the day's work, and then read some Scripture portions regarding " prayer," and this was followed by many earnest prayers for God's blessing upon our field, and also upon our sister and brother laborers. This was a blessed season to many of us.

The School caused some anxious thought. A change in the educational rules cut off our Government grant, and left us dependent upon the results of the Inspector's examination for aid. However, the teachers worked well, and succeeded in earning a hundred rupees more than our previous grant. This pleased us, but better still has been the increasing interest manifested in our school prayer meeting on Friday afternoon. A number from nearly all classes take part in this service, either by prayer or by quoting some Bible verse. Seven girls appeared for the Primary Examination. Before the examiners came, one little Brahmin girl said to me, " Before we prayed we were afraid, but now we have peace." I thought that if they had learned *that* lesson it was enough ; but the Lord strengthened it by granting their request—every one of them passed.