

Mr. HANLEY.—On November 19, 1897, the Mt. Hanley Mission Band was organized by members of the W. M. A. S. of the Mt. Hanley Baptist Church, a branch of the Middleton Church. The number of members enrolled is at present seventeen. The Pres., Miss C. I. Rumsey; Sec., Miss Edith D. Armstrong.

EDITH D. ARMSTRONG, Sec.

Port Greville Mission Band writes that they were glad to hear from the Secretary. Their meetings are held every two weeks. The youngest member of this Band is not a year old. God bless the baby! Why should we not have a number of such members?

I was so glad to hear from South Farmington, Ann Co. In this Band the children are also very young—from six to thirteen years. And their Leader feels grieved that they are able to send in so little money. The children are learning to be workers, which is the best thing now. By and bye, the money will come.

The W. M. A. S. in New Glasgow is prospering. The Secretary writes:—"We feel that we are growing stronger in love for the cause, and in zeal for its advancement. Among our encouragements are an increased interest in our meetings and an occasional addition to the membership."

The Secretary of the Band in Pugwash writes:—"I am glad to say our Band was never in a better condition. It is now in connection with the Sunday School. Our President, Mrs. Haverstock, gives us map exercises on India which are very interesting and instructive. Last Sunday being 'Missionary Sunday,' (the day appointed by our F. M. Board) we had a special meeting, the ladies of the W. M. A. Society contributing to the programme. On our Anniversary we shall have a Tea for the Band. We use the Barrels, which are opened every three months."

Mrs. Clark, P. E. I., writes:—"Not more than one-fourth of our sisters are interested in this work! What can we do? We do need so many more missionaries to tell the glad tidings. Just now, too, when so many seem to be listening so well. Martha (Miss Clark) says they seem to be more interested than they have ever been. She says it is so sad to see them dying; so many who have never had an opportunity of hearing of Jesus the Saviour of sinners. What can we do? Surely we must try to do something more."

Miss Jackson writes from Cavendish, P. E. I.:—"The children seem to be so interested in this work, and we hope to grow stronger in numbers and knowledge, and of course there must follow deeper interest. We are sending to Mrs. Smith a quarterly payment of what we have in the Treasury at present. We want to send \$25 this year to be used toward the support of Miss Clark's Bible Woman. (Cavendish is Miss Clark's home). But I want to tell you of little Ray Clark and his missionary pig. He and his mother have fed and cared for this 'missionary pig,' until it was sold last week, when it brought \$11. Half of this amount was for Ray, and the little fellow's face fairly beamed with pleasure as he handed in his \$5. He had really earned it, for Mrs. Clark says he was always so thoughtful in feeding and caring for the animal. Ray is an adopted brother of 'our' Miss Clark."

Two weeks ago at the close of the Band meeting in Dartmouth, the Leader was asked to wait a moment as there was a "s'prise" for her. Sure enough she found it in the hands of two little girls, members of the Band, who each handed her a very heavy mite box. The boxes each contained fifty-four cents. And best of all was the news given by the girls themselves. "We earned it all ourselves; we had a concert in the barn." We doubt if any money in all their after lives will give Edna Wallace and Vera Dares as much real pleasure as this money "earned all by themselves" to send the story of Jesus to the children in India. (The children are between seven and eight years of age).

WHAT WILL YOU DO FOR OTHERS?

A Missionary Exercise. Requiring Six Scholars and a Chorus.)

NUMBER ONE.

What would you do if you had bread,
Yes, plenty of bread to spare,
And some poor children, ready to starve,
Should ask for a little share?

CLASS SINGING TOGETHER.

Chorus.—We would give, gladly give, unto those in need,
And the poor and the hungry would haste to feed.

NUMBER TWO.

What would you do if in your hand
You carried a healing cup,
And all around you the sick and sad
In pitiful pain looked up?

Chorus.—We would give, gladly give, unto those in need,
If the sick and suffering for help should plead.

NUMBER THREE.

What would you do if you were rich,
And if you were strong and wise,
While others near you were weak and poor,
With no one to help them rise?

Chorus.—We would give, gladly give, unto those in need,
We would help all the lowly, the weak would lead.

NUMBER FOUR.

What will you do? For you have bread—
The Bread of Life, and to spare.
There are millions who need what you have now;
How much for them do you care?

NUMBER FIVE.

What will you do? You have each a chance,
Though not very rich or great;
There are heathen at home and heathen abroad;
For what you can give they wait.

NUMBER SIX.

What will you do? Will you give what you have,
And do what you can, to-day?
What will you do? For they die so fast.
You must not, dare not, delay.

Chorus.—We will give, freely give, unto those in need.
The command of the Saviour we'll gladly heed.

The six then repeat in concert: "Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."—Julia H. Johnston, in Westminster Quarterly.