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Miss Buchan will be glad to hear from any young lady who is preparing herself for Medical Work on the Foreign Field.

The article on Mission Bands, continued in this issue from last month, is fruitful in suggestions to workers, not only in Bands but in Circles as well.

Special Prayer.

"Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them by my Father which is in heaven." Matt. 18: 19.

"And this is the confidence that we have in Him that, if we ask any thing according to His will, He heareth us. And if we know that He heareth us, whatsoever we ask, we know that He hears the petitions that we desired of Him." I Jno. 5: 14, 15.

In view of the urgent need of a *Medical Lady Missionary* at Akido, the Women's Foreign Missionary Board of Ontario asks that every Circle, and every one who is interested in Foreign Missions, will make *special prayer* to Almighty God that He will direct the very best woman for this work to offer herself, and that He will also move the hearts of our women at home so that there shall be plenty of money in the treasury to send her out and support her.

On behalf of the Central Board,

JANE BUCHAN,
Corresponding Secretary.

Is It I?

"Laborers wanted." The ripening grain
Waits to welcome the reaper's cry.
The Lord of the harvest calls again;
Who among us shall first reply.
"Who is wanted, Lord? Is it I?"

The Master calls, but the servants wait,
Fields gleam white 'neath a cloudless sky,
Will none seize sickle before too late,
Ere the winter's winds come sweeping by?
Who is delaying? Is it I?

—Southern Christian Advocate.

Dr. Pierson's Missionary Crusade in Scotland.

It is known to most of our readers that in compliance with the earnest request of the leading friends of missions in Scotland, our Associate has gone there to complete the work he began after the rising of the London Conference on Missions in 1888. We give below the list of a series of letters on his mission and its results, which will appear in successive numbers of the *Bank*. If all of them shall prove the extraordinary interest of the first, they will surely be read with justifiable interest and gratitude to God. We invoke the presence of our readers in behalf of Dr. Pierson in this mission of love, for such it is. May the reflex influence of this mighty wave of missionary interest on the other side of the ocean reach our shores, and mark a new era in the history of this cause among us.—J. M. S.

EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND, NOV. 27, 1895.

My Dear Dr. Sherwood:

There was no need of coming to Scotland to "kindle the flame of a Missionary Revival," as the brethren of the Committee were pleased to suggest. It is quite obvious to me that a revival of missions is already in progress, and that all I can hope to do will be to feed and fan a flame already burning.

The good ship *Murria* had a very rough passage, through a very "choppy" sea. We were rolled to and fro, and tossed up and down, and found it quite hard to keep ourselves in our berths at night or maintain our standing, or even our sitting, on deck by day. Nevertheless we landed at Liverpool quay at about 7 o'clock on Saturday evening, November 16th. The brethren came to meet and greet us, and bid us "Welcome in the name of the Lord," and cheered us as a singular embassy comforted Paul at the "Three Taverns." There is no disposition either in England or Scotland to allow our sojourn to be one of idle lounging or pleasure-seeking. We found arrangements made at Liverpool for a series of meetings, beginning with one on the very night of our arrival. In fact, no time could be spared even to attend to "customs," and so leaving our kind host with Mrs. Pierson to look after the luggage, I was hurried off in a cab to Gordon Hall, where a large and select company of the Christians of Liverpool were gathered to offer a cordial welcome. Canon Burbridge was in the chair, and the familiar face of Mr. Reginald Radcliffe beamed close at his side. At this meeting I made a brief address on the "Present Aspect of Missions," and was greatly cheered by observing a very manifest spirit of prayer prevailing. This was my first impression, and that impression has been constantly emphasized and intensified during these eleven days.

As I intimated, my sojourn on this side of the water is not likely to suffer by lack of employment. I left Liverpool for Edinburgh on Wednesday morning, November 20, having already held in that city seven meetings,