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DEAR SISTERS :--

My second year of missionary life has closed, and as I look back, though there have been many trials yet I can truly say, goodness and mercy have followed me all the way.

I feel that to the best of our ability good faithful work has been done during the past year. Since last July we visited regularly a large number of houses in the town beside talking in the streets. The women always listen well and are pleased to see us come. Every Monday and Thursday we visit the District Munsin's house where we have the privilege of reading and explaining the Gospel and singing and praying with from eight to twelve Brahman and Komity caste women. Our work among these women was most discouraging at first but we are pleased to say that recently they listen to our message with much better grace. I really think that the Munsin's wife is earnestly seeking after that which pertaineth to Eternal Life. Our other work in the town is largely among the lower castes, but not less interesting for that fact. There is one woman among the latter class in whom we are particularly interested. One of my Bible women—Mahalukshmi—has visited at her house for about three years. From the first this woman manifested an interest that the others did not. About a year ago she asked to be taught how to read and wished to read about the Saviour for herself. She seems perfectly happy to have us talk with her, and often listens for hours at a time to God's word.