

## Our Mission Bands

### "A MISSION BAND IN EVERY CHURCH IN OUR CONVENTION IN FOUR YEARS."

#### Some Remarks.

Our Mission Band "Picture Gallery" proved a great attraction during the Convention at Peterboro. Was your Band represented there? If not, be sure to have a picture ready for next Convention. Even if there was a photograph of your Mission Band at Peterboro, we shall be glad to have another one for 1923, and when they are hung side by side, it will indicate in some degree the growth and continued interest. Why not have a "Picture Gallery" at each Associational Meeting in June, after which your Director can send all the pictures to Miss F. L. Laine to be included in the Convention collection? The picture of the Sparta Mission Band was especially attractive, being an enlargement of a very fine snap-shot, and was the subject of much admiration. All the pictures were good, and made us feel very proud of our loyal boys and girls. We want more than twice as many next year.

Your Band Secretary wishes to convey grateful appreciation to all the dear Band Leaders and friends who remembered her so thoughtfully during the Christmas season. It was certainly a joyful surprise to receive those loving messages from all over our Convention, yes, and beyond, too, telling of interested hearts and consecrated lives devoted to a common task. To one and all is sent affectionate thanks, and with it, a prayer that we may work together during the coming year with even greater zeal, in spite of discouragement, disappointment, and seeming failure, knowing this, that "our labor is not in vain, in the Lord."

During a series of special services, held recently in one of our smaller rural churches, four bright young people ac-

cepted Christ as their own personal Saviour. All four were members of the Mission Band.

I wonder if all the leaders of brand-new Mission Bands applied for their free copy of the "Link?" This offer may not hold good for 1923, but if Bands which were organized during 1922 would apply, giving name and address of Leader, also date of organization, I feel sure the application would be honored. Every Band Leader should have both "Link" and "Visitor" in order to keep abreast with our Missionary News. Much missionary information is also found in the pages of our denominational paper, "The Canadian Baptist," and if to these can be added "Among the Telugus" and "Beacon Lights," so much the better. Ask the Literature Department about the last two.

Have you sent any 1923 calendars to India yet? Last month was the time to do it, but it's not too late now, if you do it right away. Also, now is the time to plan for the parcel that you are going to send to India next summer, and if you watch the "Link" you will see a report some day of the happiness in India, caused by the parcels you sent last summer. Put your very best into the things you send to "God's little brown children over the sea."

Since the report of "S.M.B.P.S.O." last month was sent in, two more Bands sent in stamps. Our total now stands: \$131.54, being \$63.50 for Home Missions, \$63.50 for Foreign Missions, and \$4.54 for expenses in postage. Aren't you glad you helped?

Your M. B. Secretary,

A. S. M.

#### The Mission Band Lesson on Bolivia

Last month we gained a general survey of the country, Bolivia, in which we are trying to carry on work.

This lesson aims to give an impression