

prayer for the success of the British arms." "Harm will come," says the native Christian, "by this invoking of false gods." What did we read the other day?—"In Secanderabad, 15000 Mohammedans congregated under a mammoth *Shamina*. x x x x.

At one entrance was unfurled a banner bearing in letters of gold, "Pray to Almighty God for the success of her Majestys' arms in the Transvaal War."

#### THE READING ROOM

is crowded every night. A. M. Murti a converted educated Bramin has charge. He is able to converse with the most keen and seems to be a devoted follower of Jesus. Allow me to thank those who are sending the "*Youths' Companion*," "*Sunday at Home*," "*Sabbath Reading*," "*Young Peoples' Weekly*" and "*Canadian Journal*;" also to express the hope that they may continue to subscribe for the same. I may say that we would be pleased to receive the "*Christian Herald*" and some Review or Magazine. English text cards and illustrated tracts are also desirable. Valuable books for the loaning library, have been received from Miss Johnstone and Mrs. O. Jones—thanks!

Yes, we were sorry to close

#### THE HOSPITAL

but we could not do otherwise as the Apothecary was not only dissatisfied with her position but was emphatically not in sympathy with Mission work. Given an Apothecary who is good as well as capable we believe that the Hospital will be an invaluable aid in bringing us in touch with the *real* zenana women and in opening many hearts to receive the heavenly balm. There is now a fair prospect of engaging such an one in the person of Miss De Silva. She is a pronounced Christian and has had seven years experience in Medical work.

#### THE TELUGU ASSOCIATION

was held in Bimlipatam, Jan. 20—22. Many said, "It is the best we ever had." Bro. David since the Association writes, "Please pray for me that I may preach with the power of the Holy Spirit and see some souls to be converted." Other native preachers speak to the same effect. God grant an abundant harvest!

This was my first visit to Bimli. It is most picturesque—the steep and jagged hills, the wonderful sea, the stately