

We next called on Mrs. B—, a young married woman, just starting house-keeping. She informed me that her new duties would take all her time and strength and money. I admitted that she had much to engross her, but urged that she start her new life in a manner worthy of her blessings, and that while she was dedicating her happy home she allow some of her thoughts to go to less favored ones. I left with my second member.

A dressmaker and a stenographer, who could not often attend our gatherings, but had their own pocketbooks, were glad to give their names.

Two of whom I had become hopeless, this time, when told of the great emergency and of my absolute faith in getting the six, yielded, and their coveted names were added.

It was not ten o'clock when the buggy again stopped at my own gate, and two women bade each other a joyful good-night.

So again I have resolved to be more daring and solicit new members with fearless faith that a blessing can come to each who has a share in our missionary work.

"As much as in me is, I am ready."—Sel.

WE GIVE THANKS.

"For the power to work, and the will to be Thine,

For the weakness that strengthens, the girdings divine,

We give thanks.

"For the friends at our side and the friends that wait,

Who are watching for us at the Beautiful Gate,

We give thanks.

"For the path that, though rough, by the Saviour was trod,

For the mansions so sure in the City of God,

We give thanks."—Sel.

WOMEN NEEDED FOR CHINA.

A missionary in Yangchow, in begging for a woman helper, says: "We have thirty-eight inquirers, but not one of them is a woman. We do not have to go far to find the reason. There was no woman to do the preparatory work. Anyone familiar with Chinese customs knows that in China men cannot work among women."

"There are many women near us ready to listen to the Gospel message, but there is no one to tell that message to them. We have done and can do nothing for them. In China the best of earthly things are possessed by the men. It must seem to those near our chapel (if they think about it at all) that the same is true of heavenly things. If the women of China are ever to know Christian sympathy and love, Christian sympathy and love must be transmitted to them through women. The work is waiting to be done. Who will come out and do it?"

SECURING AN EDUCATION IN INDIA.

As Told by Miss Bertha Evans of the Girls' School, Ongole.

At 4 a.m. four of the larger girls arise to cook the early morning rice-water for the whole school. As dawn begins to appear in the east the water-girls also set to work. They draw and carry water from the well at the lower end of the compound for all the school uses—sufficient to wash the large quantities of grains, to fill the cement cistern where the dish-washers wash the enamel bowls after each meal; to wash the cement floor of the long, open dining hall and the kitchen every morning; to fill the cistern of drinking water and the cistern for bathing purposes. Until the school bell rings you can see the water-girls, with pots of water on their shoulders, or hear the squeak of the