

the date of expiration of her subscription on each paper to go to a certain town. Then all these papers for that one town are put in one wrapper and a label pasted on with simply the name of the place on it. It is the duty of the postmaster, when such a parcel is received, to open it and place the individual paper in the box, or send to the street address, of the person whose name is printed on the small label.

When an agent requests it, the outside wrapper bears, as well as the name of the place, the name of some person to whom the bundle is to be delivered. In such a case, the postmaster has nothing to do with the individual papers. He simply gives over the parcel to the person whose name appears on the outside. The papers are sent in this way, however, only by special request, and when some subscriber gets a bundle of papers to distribute, which she has not expected, and for which she is not prepared, it is a mistake on the part of the mailer in printing her name on the outside wrapper. The only ones to whom this is likely to occur, are those whose names are the last on any list.

Another mistake which calls for a great many post-cards in explanation, is that concerning the time of the month at which new subscriptions should come in, in order to have any month's paper mailed. The mailing list goes to the printer every month by the 20th. After that no new name can be printed on the new list, and no new subscriber will have his paper mailed to him from the office. The only way he may receive one is for the editor to keep a list of these late names and send a copy from her reserve supply. This is done every month, and not only entails a great deal of extra work, but in the busy season, there are never enough to go around and of course the subscriber then has to begin his subscription the following month. It would be a great help if the agents would see to it that if they wish a new subscriber to begin with, for instance, April, they must have that new name in by the 20th of March.

If the papers are sent to the agent as a club, it is not necessary to send the individual subscribers' names to the editor, as they are not printed on the papers.

CIRCLES AND BANDS.

Ailsa Craig.—On Tuesday, January 17th, the Ailsa Craig Mission Circle held a special meeting at which we were privileged to listen to two interesting and instructive addresses, given by Miss Pratt, one of our beloved missionaries, and by Mrs. Taylor, our Director. After the meeting a social hour was spent, where tea was served to about thirty-five ladies. We trust that to our Circle it may mean increased membership and a deeper personal interest in missions, both Home and Foreign.

Nettie J. Hughes,
Secretary.

Talbot St., London.—The women's Mission Circle of the Talbot St. Baptist Church, held an open meeting last Friday evening, January 20th. Tea was served at 6.30 o'clock, after which addresses were delivered by Miss Pratt, returned missionary from India, and Mrs. Taylor, of Sarnia. The meeting was a most enthusiastic one, and after Miss Pratt's address—she speaking of her work in the schools—\$112 was subscribed to equip a dormitory in the girl's school, Cocanada, India. Mrs. Joseph Jeffery, who was unable to be present, on hearing of the work, subscribed another \$100 to equip a second dormitory in the same school, making \$212 for the school.

Mrs. J. B. Campbell.

NOTICES.

WESTERN CONVENTION.

Attention is called to the fact that the list of Bible Women in the various mission fields is in the hands of the Foreign Secretary of the Women's Foreign Mission Board. The work of this office for the next few months will be carried on by Miss Elsie McLaurin instead of by Mrs. R. W. Angus, and Circles or Bands desiring the names of Bible Women, may have them by applying to Miss Elsie McLaurin, 193 Robert St., Toronto.

EASTERN CONVENTION.

Will the Circles and Bands of the Eastern Board kindly remember that their board meets the second Friday in March and remit, before that date, all money available for Foreign Missions.