

old work and hope that health may be granted you to continue in it. You ask for a report of the work of which I have the superintendence. You know that two years ago, on account of Mr. Wilkie's going home and Mr. Murray's death it was arranged that Mr. Campbell should come to Indore—at least till some one could be sent from home to relieve him—which at first we hoped would be within a few months. But time went on, and we are here still I am sorry to say. This absence from Rutlam I need scarcely tell you has been injurious to the work there, especially to my department of it. Mr. Campbell goes up quite frequently for a day or two, and occasionally I have gone with him, but the expense and the fatigue and the want of suitable accommodation there as well as of a conveyance to enable me to visit the houses, except such as are within walking distance, have deterred me from going oftener. Yet the work has not been entirely neglected. Our native Christian women keep up visiting the houses or zenanas themselves and send me reports of those visited, the number of women present, etc. I send you translations of a few extracts from the report of one of them, as it may help to show you what is being done. As to the girls' school I see there is no use our trying to keep one up till we are living there, so that I may be able to give it constant personal care. This I think is a very common experience in India even where work has been long established. I am sorry this letter has been so long delayed but I have not been well for the past few weeks.

Translations of extracts from Zenana helper's report :

"October 15th. We went to the Bari Bakhar. In the first house there were ten women present. We sang two hymns and then I read from Matt. xxvi., instructing them and telling them that this was all true. In the second house there were sixteen women. We sang three hymns and then I read and spoke to them from Jer. xvii. They heard with joy and learned a hymn from me. Oct. 16. Went to the Bohra Mohulla. In the first house had eighteen women. We sang two hymns. First L. spoke, then I read and spoke about Job. In the next house, twenty-five women. Sang a hymn. L. spoke, then I read the Parable of the Prodigal Son and spoke to them about it. They heard gladly and asked me to come regularly. After this I became very sick. Dec. 2. We went to the Bari Bakhar. There were ten women present. First sang ; L. spoke ; then I followed