

women in Christian lands to give the Gospel to the destitute, showing the advantages of an Aid Society to this end.

A Society was then organized with seventeen members. This Society is to be called "The North Temple and Ohio Aid Society," as it is a union of both churches in woman's work.

The officers chosen were:—President, Mrs. P. S. MacGregor; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Albert Clements and Miss Maria Scovill; Secretary, Miss Judith Crosby; Treasurer for North Temple, Miss F. Blackadar; Ohio, Miss B. Churchill. A hopeful feature of this Society is that so many young people are entering into the work.

The Mission Band at Chebogue gave a very interesting Harvest Home concert on October 25th, which was a success in every way. There is a marked increase in the interest in missions, both at Arcadia and Chebogue, since the organization of a Band in the former place in March, and in the latter in April.

We have here an evidence of the importance of Mission Bands. Interest the children and you interest the fathers and mothers, besides training the coming generation for efficient work in the future.

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Co. Sec. for Yarmouth.

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#### FROM THE WORLD FIELD.

The wide prevalence of the English language is shown from the fact that, at a meeting of natives in Calcutta lately, out of a thousand representatives of the various families of the human race there present, many tongues were represented, such as Hindi, Hindustani, Punjabi, Tamil, etc.; but the one and only tongue which was the common vehicle of communication, and in which they could make themselves intelligible, was the *English tongue*, the language inseparably connected with the English Bible, the language of the world's predominant missions.

Sierra Leone affords a vast field of unoccupied labor—thirty-nine fortieths of the protectorate have not as yet been touched by any missionary society, and every district is now easy of access and open to missionary work.

Over 400 converts have been added to the church in the English Baptist Mission at Ching Chou Fu during the last year.

A large band of devoted men and women is needed for Korea.

A band of very resolute and self-sacrificing men and women are now on the borders of Tibet, mastering the native language and preparing to push towards the very capital itself, as soon as it can be done with any measure of safety.

One Tibetan has been converted and proposes to devote himself to the proclamation of the Gospel among his own people.

#### FROM THE AID SOCIETIES AND BANDS.

In a note from the Sec., Miss Sabean, we learn that the Aid Society was re-organized at New Tusket, Digby Co., N.S. on Nov. 22nd, by Rev. H. A. Giffin, with twelve members, and more are expected to join at the next meeting.

The above was sent in time for the January LINK, but owing to a mistake was not inserted. A. E. J.

We take the following from the *Nictaux Baptist*, in which the Aid Societies of Annapolis have a column edited by the County Secretary, Mrs. Brown.

Mrs. Brown had written us of her desire to have the Societies of Ann County raise Miss Newcombe's salary. It seems as though this could be easily done. Annapolis is a large County, and is pretty well supplied with workers. May our sister have every success.

The Paradise W. M. A. S. met at the home of sister Mrs. W. E. Starratt, on Tuesday, Nov. 3rd. Meeting opened with singing, reading of scripture and earnest prayers for our missionaries on their way to India, and for those on the field. The Treasurer reported \$10.00 received for the quarter. At the request of the President, several sisters expressed a willingness to contribute towards Miss Newcombe's salary. After the disposal of business an interesting programme was carried out. Reading by Mrs. Morse; recitation, Mrs. W. E. Starratt; reading, Mrs. A. Starratt. The letter from *Tidings* was also read. Meeting closed with Doxology.

MRS. J. BALCOM.

TORBROOK.—A very interesting meeting was held at Deacon Harding Parker's, of the Torbrook W. M. A. S. In the absence of the President, Mrs. J. W. Brown opened the meeting. Nine sisters were present, and all participated in the service, either by an original paper, prayer or Scripture texts. A strong feeling seemed to prevail that we would attempt greater things in His dear name in the future. One new member joined our ranks. Thus closed a most profitable session. Meeting dismissed with prayer by Deacon Harding Parker.