

through the country begging, taking this coin, no more and no less, from each house of his caste people. He wandered to Cocanada where he was thoroughly converted. He is full of vim, zeal, devotion and piety, is meekness itself. "He has but, one story, "the old, old story," but tells it to every one he meets. He has a meek little wife, with two meek little girls, all as black as coals. He is average size, with a full beard and moustache, and a head of nice curly black hair. I think his face a very pleasant one. Lakshmia will be with us one year more. In that time we hope he may be able to read well. He will never be able to do more; he studies with all his might but it will not come. We wish to give him a good general idea of the gospel story and then send him out among the grossly ignorant. He is too old to learn; his exceptional qualifications in some directions was our sole reason for receiving him, while knowing so little of books. But education or no education, he will do a good work for the Master in the jungles of India. This class of men is invaluable—burning lights, their glow is seen from far—living epistles, men cannot help read them. May the Lord send us many more such.

JOHN MCLAURIN.

Mr. McLaurin, writing on July 16th, says:—

"To-day I have been classifying our students. They are all here, I am glad to say,—over fifty of them altogether. We did expect some more but they have not put in their appearance. All the old students are back, and all appear eager for work. Will you please ask the blessed Master—the Lord of the harvest—to give the teachers and taught much of the Holy Spirit—much wisdom in giving and receiving truth; to give us all good health of body and soul, that we may do good work for Him, work that will tell on the future of this land."

## THE WORK AT HOME.

### Ontario and Quebec.

#### SUBJECT FOR PRAYER.

Special prayer is requested for the newly organized Mission Circles, that they may be steadfast and abound in the work of the Lord.

Prayer is also requested for *all* the annual meetings to take place this month, that they may be convened in the name of the Lord Jesus, that He may be present at each one, and that the influence of the Holy Spirit may be felt in everything said or done.

#### NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario will be held on Friday, Oct. 12th, in the Sunday-school hall of the Jarvis-street church, Toronto.

The morning session will commence at 11 o'clock; afternoon session will commence at 2.30. In the evening there will be a conversation at McMaster Hall.

Arrangements have been made with the Grand Trunk Railway for reduced rates from all points on all divisions of the road. Delegates will please send their full names and addresses, before the 1st of October, to Mrs. Lillie, 85 Homewood Avenue, who will furnish them with railroad certificates, and provide them with billets during their stay.

E. DEXTER, *Rec. Sec.*

THE POSTAGE RATE to India is now as follows: Let-

ters 10c. per  $\frac{1}{4}$  oz., papers 2c. per 2 ozs., post cards 2c. each.

IT GIVES us much pleasure to announce that Mrs. J. B. Halkett, of Ottawa ("Sister Belle") will, D.V., be present at and address the meeting on the 12th.

THE MEMORIAL to the Queen, from the Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, has been completed, but, we regret to say, that, owing to the illness of the illuminator in whose hands it was placed the one from the Ontario Society is not yet ready.

ONONDAGA, ONT.—A Circle was organized in connection with the First Onondaga Baptist Church, with eight members. The following officers were elected:—Mrs. Richards, President; Miss Walker, Vice-President; Miss Vansickle, Secretary; Miss Simpson, Treasurer.

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HARTFORD, ONT.—We learn that a circle has been formed.

BOSTON, ONT.—About the beginning of the year one of our Sunday-school teachers, Miss Martha Nelles, led the members of her class to contribute five cents each per month for Foreign Missions. Taking advantage of this good beginning we formed a Mission Band in our Sunday-school a little over two months ago which soon numbered over sixty. Shortly after organizing they held a public entertainment, at which was taken a collection of \$9.11, which with membership fees has increased to \$25. The missionary sentiment grew among our people and the sisters resolved to form a circle. The assistance of Mrs. Tuttle, of Brantford, was sought, and on the 4th of August accompanied by another zealous worker, Mrs. Powley, she paid us a visit. After these good sisters had delivered two excellent addresses, a circle of fourteen members was formed, which now numbers nearly thirty. With commendable zeal the society set to work and held a lawn party, at the residence of Mr. H. Foster, which was in every way a success. When all expenses were met over \$45 were left for their treasury, which with membership fees gives them over \$50. Band and circle therefore, have now \$75 to remit for the perishing heathen. The God of missions abundantly bless the workers at home and their money abroad.—*Com.*

WINGHAM, ONT.—The "Willing Workers" Mission Band is proving a great success. It now numbers over 100 members, who meet once a month, and have just sent \$25 as their first half-yearly remittance for the support of a boy and girl in the mission schools.

### Maritime Provinces.

#### WOMEN'S MISSIONARY AID SOCIETY MEETINGS.

On Saturday afternoon, August 25th the members of the Societies of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and P. E. Island, present at Convention, assembled in the Spring Garden Hall.

Mrs. Manning opened the meeting by reading the 2nd Psalm, and Mrs. Joseph Kempton offered prayer. The Secretary read the minutes of last meeting. Mrs. Martell read a letter from Mrs. Williams, relative to the formation of a General Society, which was then fully discussed.

Mrs. March said that the Societies in New Brunswick were of the opinion that it would be better to remain as they are,—and stated that it implied a want of confidence in the Foreign Missionary Board to desire to retain the funds of the Societies in the charge of a Treasurer of their own.