

and wanderer have been taken in from the streets warmed, and fed, and refreshed by her tender care.

It was a delight to visit her in her home, for she was always ready to "speak a good word for Jesus." Her children rise up and call her blessed. One of them wrote, "Mother's fragrant life will be an inspiration to me to live such a life that I may meet her in glory."

In the Mission Circle, by her testimony, her prayers, and her sweet counsel, her presence was an inspiration and a blessing.

As a friend and neighbor, her words of encouragement and acts of helpfulness were invaluable. As a Christian, a mother, a friend and neighbor, her like is not often found. The Lord's glory was ever her first thought, and when about to die she hoped her death might prove a blessing to some one.

Truly can we say we have suffered a great loss, but our loss is her unspeakable gain, for even now she doth behold the face of her Beloved and is rejoicing in His presence. Though we sorrow, we cannot but rejoice with her that she is in the Palace of the King, to behold the beauty of her Lord.

She was laid to rest beside her three loved sons in the beautiful St. Catharines cemetery, on July 17th, there to await the resurrection.

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### BABY BANDS.

At the Convention in Ingersol, a new departure in our M. Band work was suggested, namely "Baby Bands." These have been in operation in the United States for some years. They originated in this wise: "Some sixteen years ago a letter was sent to Chicago containing a baby's first dime, with a request from his mamma that it be used to do some one some good. The lady who received it thought it might do the largest amount of good by using it to start a "Baby Band," each member of which should send in ten cents a year to the Treasurer of the Women's Baptist Missionary Society. At the end of the first year, the offerings amounted to \$40.30, and in fourteen years the Baby Band had sent in to the treasury \$4,348.52."

Miss Ada Aldridge, Secretary of Murray St. M. B., Peterborough, says, "After reading of this very interesting result of missionary effort we thought that what had worked so successfully in the United States, might work equally well in Canada, so we decided to try the experiment in connection with our M. B.

"We had tiny certificates printed with a picture of the Baby face of the one whom we have chosen as the founder of our Baby Band.

"When little Donald was a tiny baby an offering was

given (unsolicited) in his name to Foreign Missions, and he is now two years old. We have his latest photograph used for our cut.

"We will give these dainty certificates to every child under seven years of age who becomes a member of the Baby Band. The fee is ten cents a year or one dollar for a life-membership for six years. There is space left on the card for the member's name, year, and Treasurer's name. Our object is not to start a new society, we simply add a branch to our Mission Band work, called the 'Baby Band,' having the same officers as the more general Band. It seems to us that the plan is one that would not only be practicable in towns and cities but is especially adapted to country places, where it is difficult to hold meetings regularly. The fee seems to be within the reach of all, and can hardly take anything from the gifts of the older girls and boys. We are very enthusiastic over our new idea, and are hoping that we may in this way get a better hold on the children while they are young, and that the missionary spirit may be developed in a permanent way."

The Murray St. Band had 500 of these certificates printed, and can supply any Band wishing to use them, for fifteen cents per dozen. They can be obtained also from Mrs. C. W. King, of Kingston, who has promised to take some in connection with the Bureau.

We have no doubt many of our young people will be glad to adopt this new departure in connection with their Mission Band.

Now is the time to begin in earnest. Let us make this year the brightest in our history. That it may be so is the prayer of

Your M. B. Secretary,  
A. M. TAYSCOTT.

BARDVILLE BAND, organized a little over a year ago, is supporting a boy student in Samulcotts, and a girl in Cocanada. This is the only Band supporting two students in India. Who will be the next to follow the example of these aggressive young people?

A. M. T.

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BAND LEAFLETS FOR CONCERTS.—Our Jesus 3c. (music), He was not Willing 3c. (music), Little Lights 1c. (dialogue), A Missionary Dialogue 1c., Happy Hints 10c. (music and dialogue), Gems 10c. (dialogue and recitation), The Dollies Dialogue 4c., The Reason Why 2c. (dialogue), The Master is Calling 1c. (dialogue), The Voices of the Wind 1c. (dialogue), Little things 1c. (dialogue), Mission Stars 1c. (acrostic), A Penny a Week and a Prayer 1c. (recitation) Swing Light 2c. (dialogue).