

cure him. As I had not so much faith in my power over disease I thought it best not to undertake the case, especially as he was taking native medicine again, after having been treated with English for some months without any improvement, as he thought. But I had something better for him—healing for his soul, if he would only follow my directions. I took him a little book, a few days later, which explained the way this healing was to be obtained much better than I could, and he promised to read it.

Thus did the LORD open the way into those houses for me, which I had tried so long in vain to enter, and I always get a welcome now.

M. F. CHURCHILL.

November 10th, 1880.

Akidu.

In a private letter, dated December 10th, Mr. Craig states that he had just returned from a tour on the Colair field, during which thirty-two persons were baptized. Peter, his best native preacher, was to be ordained soon.

THE WORK AT HOME.

Ontario and Quebec.

BOARD MEETING.

The first quarterly meeting of the Central Board of the W. F. M. S. of Ontario was held in the usual place on Friday January 14th, 1881.

It was decided to hold the next annual meeting of the society at Woodstock, in response to a cordial invitation extended by the circle in that place.

The question of the circulation of Missionary literature by the Board, was discussed informally, and the interest manifested by the individual members indicated that some action will soon be taken in the matter.

E. DEXTER, Rec. Sec.

TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT.

Receipts.

To Amount in Bank, October 23rd, 1880.....	\$ 623 26
" Cash in hand.....	4 50
" Received since.....	152 23
" Interest.....	4 60
	\$784 59

Disbursements.

By Girl's School, Cocanada.....	\$ 225 00
" Amelia.....	25 00
" Bible woman.....	50 00
" Village Schools.....	50 00
" Books, tracts, etc.....	50 00
" Tuni School.....	50 00
" Akidu Village Schools.....	150 00
" Total sent to India by T. D. Craig, Esq.....	\$ 600 00
" Expense account.....	2 38
" Cash in Bank, January 14th, 1881.....	182 21
	\$784 59

JESSIE M. LLOYD, Treas.

BELLEVILLE, ONTARIO.—We learn that the meetings of the Mission Circle increase in interest, and considering the size of the congregation the membership is all that can be desired.

Nova Scotia.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE W. M. A. S. OF THE NORTH BAPTIST CHURCH, HALIFAX.

* * * We offer thanksgiving to God for the safe return and restoration to health of our Sister Armstrong. We also esteem it a great privilege to have her among us, her words of encouragement should be a great stimulus in our work, and as we learn more of the condition and needs of our heathen sisters we will be more concerned that they should be made partakers of the great salvation. We consider our mission has sustained a *great loss* by Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong severing their connection with our Board, and we hope and pray that some course may be adopted whereby the obstacles which have rendered such a step necessary, may speedily be removed, that our brother and sister may again unite with us, and resume their labour on the Chicacole field. Some say that the present outlook of our Mission is a very discouraging one—that we see but little fruit for the time and money expended on our field. *Results are with God.* It is ours to pray earnestly, labour faithfully and wait patiently. "He moves in a mysterious way His wonders to perform," and has wonderfully tried the faith of His children in all ages of the world. Those do not always serve him best, who reap the golden grain—there must be hard toiling in the burning sun ere the seed is sown, and long weary days of watering and watching, ere any sign of life is apparent—yet "*sure will the harvest be.*" Let us wait patiently and persistently upon the Lord: It is His cause in which we are engaged—more dear to His heart than to ours—Surely we can trust Him and not be afraid. Miss Hammond calls especially upon us for our united prayers and words of sympathy, when Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong decided to return home, she bravely took the sole charge of their station. The position must be one of great responsibility and loneliness.

As a Society we have reason to bless God and take courage, the number of deeply interested ones is greater than ever before. Our meetings have been regularly sustained during the year—and all who engaged in them feel that they have been greatly profited. It is an hour well spent and yields a tenfold blessing. We have this year had seven new members; one of our number God has called away; one has been constituted a life member. We remit to the Central Board the sum of \$82 56. Our Mission Band called "Willing Workers," has been in successful operation for a year. It numbers now about one hundred. The meetings are exceedingly interesting; our object is twofold, *first* to interest and instruct the children in missionary work, making them feel that it is something in which they are personally concerned. *Secondly*, to raise money for the support of schools and native preachers among the heathen. Mrs. Armstrong told us of three young men who are attending the mission school at Chicacole, who have been converted, and who are very anxious to pursue the study of the Bible, that they may become native preachers. One of these our Band has undertaken to support. His name is David; he is now going to Cocanada to study theology under the instruction of Mr. Timpany. Here we have a definite object for which to labour—to educate this young man and fit him to proclaim the Gospel to his perishing fellow-countrymen.

THE MISSIONARY LINK has proved a great blessing to our Society, and has created an interest among those who previously knew and cared little about missions.