

only 21. Surely a cause which has so great and lofty a purpose, the rescuing of a people from the slavery of heathenism, and bringing near to them the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, will not long want strong and enthusiastic supporters in every church.

The Board meetings of the Society have been held regularly, and well attended. We have received eleven life members, and the following are the names of the new Circles added this year:—Coaticoke, Cornwall, Osgoode, Magog, St. Andrew's and Papineauville. We have also received a contribution from Kempville. Our receipts are \$825 30, an excess of \$221 16 over last year. The only responsibility we assumed was \$500 of Mr. Timpany's salary. This has been paid, and with the balance carried over from last year we have cash on hand, \$417 71. We hope to assume in addition to the \$500 the sum of \$200, which is to be devoted to Zenana work in Cocanada.

Besides the help which our Society has been able to give to the funds of the Telugu Mission, our Circles have been the means of developing the latent powers and abilities of a large number of ladies in our churches. The responsibility of having to sustain the monthly meeting, has called forth a number of carefully prepared papers, and in several cases addresses have been made and successful open meetings conducted by ladies who a few years ago would have been horrified at the suggestion of such a thing. The result of this training will not be confined to Foreign Mission work, it must soon be felt in many of the departments of church work. Let a Christian be thoroughly aroused to the importance of one field of labour and other claims which were before unheeded are freely acknowledged. You may have noticed the remark in one of the reports read, "that some who were most bitter and firm against our beginning a Circle, are now joining it, having to acknowledge that home work never progressed better than during the few months we have been interested in foreign work." This is what we believe must be the result, and is it any wonder that we are determined to reach, if possible, every one of those sixty-one churches, when a two-fold object is to be attained. If this is to be done we must have the hearty co-operation of all, by every one who is at present working, seeking to extend their influence, and the many who are now idle, joining with us hand and heart.

AMELIA MUIR.

The Necessity for training new Converts.

BY BISHOP SARGENT, OF TINNEVELLY.

I am more and more persuaded that if our success is to be worth anything at all, we must lay ourselves out fairly in the endeavour to make our converts intelligent Christians. Before we can fill their minds with what is good, we have to empty them of much that is evil. I know that the very process of filling, is in itself to some extent a process of emptying; but where superstition has so long swayed the mind, it is no easy matter to eradicate all such influences. Hence it is, that while we do all we can for the adult and the aged, our great hope lies with the young, among our converts; and I hold a very decided opinion, therefore, that in this matter a most solemn obligation lies on our Missionary Societies, of taking upon themselves, at least for a time, the education of the young among our new converts, and not leaving them to shift for themselves as they best can. Still, I also feel equally strong on the other side, that from the very first, our new converts must be trained to learn the duty and blessedness of giving, and with the example before them

of converts of long-standing, who are more or less with the same position with themselves, I trust this lesson will come easier to hand than it otherwise would. This matter is associated with another, *vis*: the encouraging among them of every Christian effort, as having its value in proportion to its being done, first of all from love to God, and secondly done by them as members of a Christian body, under native teachers and not always as under the direction of a European missionary.

The Hindu has naturally a very religious turn of mind. Every incident in daily life is associated with the kindness or displeasure of the God they worship. Hence when such become Christians, it is needful to supply them as far as we can with religious thought and habit, or they can never make the progress we desire of them. I think it therefore very important that means be adopted everywhere, for such new converts having daily Christian instruction—daily reading of God's Word and prayer, besides the Sunday attendance at Divine Service. To depend on the Sunday teaching alone for men and women who cannot read, will, I fear, end in disappointment. With us in Tinnevely, it is an ascertained fact, that our most regular attendants at the Sunday service, are those who attend the daily instruction and prayers. In this department something may be done by voluntary helpers, but if these are not to be had, we must at first, at least for a time, have paid agents.—*From a paper read at the Bangalore Conference.*

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