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Our young readers will find in this issue the letter from Mrs. Campbell that was promised them. I hope they will enjoy it.

I have something more to tell you of my dear letter which has come to hand and which you will get next time, which has a very sad and tender interest attaching to it. It was written by Mrs. Murray of Inlore, who has since been called away to her eternal home. One of the last letters she ever wrote was to the CHILDREN'S RECORD.

LETTER FROM MRS. CAMPBELL.

RUTLAM, INDIA,  
August 5th, '87.

My Dear Children:—

What shall I write you about? Perhaps a new school which I have just started, and in which I am much interested, will be interesting to you too. It is only about a month old, and from the beginning of it we have had almost constant rain. The little girls, here do not wear waterproofs and carry umbrellas, and thus sometimes they come with their cotton clothes quite wet, as some of them did this morning. When I see this I only let them stay a short time and then send them home. It is not customary among the Hindoo women and girls of this place to carry umbrellas. The men and boys do, but you know in this land there are many such things allowed to men and boys that the women and girls can't have. Probably the reason of their not having an umbrella is that it was formerly considered as the token of authority and was only carried by people in high position, as Rajahs. Even now it is not allowed to be held up in the courtyards of palaces or temples.

But to go back to the school. We began with five girls; we have now twenty, with the prospect of more very soon. Most of them are what are called high caste girls, that is, daughters of Brahmins and Rajpoots and bunyas or merchants. They are between the ages of 7 and 11. The only one among them who is able to read well is a little married woman of eight years of age. I had a good laugh the other afternoon when I found out that a little boy also about eight years of age, who called here with the Pundit was the husband of this little woman. It seems they have both been learning together.

One of the attractions of our school is the sewing and knitting that we teach. Some of them are desirous of learning stocking knitting, which you will think rather funny when I tell you that they do not wear stockings themselves. How could they with all their toe-rings and anklets? For these toe-rings are not