

frequently. Soni is home again, and came to see me yesterday. She walked straight to where I stood in the school-room and putting her arms tight around my waist remained perfectly still for several minutes. Then she found her tongue, and how she talked! She has forgotten much, for, although she had taken her books with her, she had not read any, because in the city where she was little girls have not yet been taught, and if she were seen reading she would be called bad names. Truly, the fields are white unto harvest, but the labourers are few. The little that one is able to do seems as nothing in the face of all that waits to be done.

The Sunday schools in connection with both the day schools go on as usual. Almost every Sunday we give books or papers. Although all the children cannot read, yet in most cases the fathers or brothers can, and anything that can in the least degree counterbalance the sort of literature that is spread broadcast in this country is worth trying.

Since the close of the hot season, which was comparatively mild, we have had some very disagreeable weather, and as yet the rain fall is below the average.

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## Medical Mission Work in India.

*(Extracts from Letter.)*

In writing from Indore, Central India, under date of July 9, Dr. Wilhelmina Grant Fraser tells us, that :—"About two weeks ago" their "hearts were gladdened by the first rains." They "had watched, O ! so eagerly, and when the refreshing, generous showers fell there was a general rejoicing. In a day or two one would hardly have known the face of the country—so fresh, so glad it appeared. Life everywhere, tender, joyous spring life ; the wonderful tropical life that seems to spread like magic over the land. 'And I will cause the shower to come down in his season, there shall be showers of blessing, and the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase.'"

Miss Fraser speaks encouragingly of her progress in the study of the language and gives a graphic description of the work of the lady medical missionary in India :—"You can hardly