

MISSION BAND—INDIA.

LESSON V.

Hymn 1,143 (Songs and Solos).

Scripture: Psalm 145.

Recitation.

Minutes of last meeting.

Business arising from minutes.

Hymn 1,139 (Songs and Solos).

Treasurer's report.

Reports of committees.

Lesson.

To-day we shall have a little talk about our schools in India. You, dear children, have just been set free from a year of work, and I hope each of you will be promoted. What lovely schools

Let us look at another picture far away over the ocean in a land which it takes one month to reach, and where things are so different from those in Canada,—to India, and to the eastern coast where live the Telugu people in whom we Canadian Baptists take such a warm interest.

Take your map of India and find Akidu, Vuyyuru, Cocanada, Samalkot, and other places where our mission schools are. We Eastern Baptists have an especial interest in the four boarding schools which I have named. These boarding schools are necessary, because the homes of the boys and girls are so widely scattered that it would



A Village School—Vuyyuru Field.

you have! A nice lawn covered with grass, beautiful shade trees and flowers. The walks of your school are brick, and over the roof waves the Union Jack.

Your school-room is made beautiful with maps, pictures and flowers. You have comfortable desks and chairs. After school you go to your happy home where kind friends welcome you, even though you may be a girl.

What highly favored children you are.

be impossible otherwise to gather the children together for instruction.

The boys and girls prepare their own food, of rice, and sometimes curry, for they get none of the luxuries you enjoy.

In their dormitories they sleep on mats on the floor, while their small wardrobe is contained in a little box. A boy or a girl is educated, clothed and fed in Akidu or Vuyyuru boarding school for the small sum of \$15 a year.