

Hymn 165, "I am Thine, O Lord."

Scripture reading.

Prayer.

Election of Convention reporter.

Address of welcome.

Reply—Mrs. Dostin, Quebec.

Minutes of last annual meeting,—Recording Secretary, Miss Tester.

Hymn 446, "Far, far away in Heathen Darkness Dwelling."

Appointment of committees.

Reception of Reports :

Eastern Association . . . Mrs. D. Grant, Montreal.

Central " . . . Mrs. Vaux, Brockville.

Ottawa " . . . Mrs. D. McLaurin, Osgoode.

Bureau of Literature. Mrs. F. B. Smith, Montreal.

Hymn 176, "To the Work, to the work."

Reports :

Superintendent of Bands. Miss Muir, Montreal.

Treasurer Miss Sara B. Scott, Mont'l

Address.—Hon. President. Mrs. Claxton, Montreal.

Roll Call.

Hymn 509, "Blessed Assurance."

12 noon.—Adjournment.

Afternoon Session, 2 o'clock.

2 to 2.30.—Prayer and Praise Service, led by Mrs. Parson, Ottawa.

2.30.—Hymn 18, "Hark, the Voice of Jesus, Saying."

Minutes of morning session.

Report of Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. Hibbard Ayer.

Report of Committee on Appropriations.

" " Nominations.

Election of Officers and Executive Board.

Piano Solo, Miss Muir, Montreal.

Address, Mrs. J. C. Sycamore, Brockville.

Solo, Mrs. Dunbar Hudson, Ottawa.

Address, Mrs. G. W. Barber, St. George, Ont.

Collection.

Hymn 494, "God be with you till we meet again."

Doxology.

5.—Adjournment.

A Union Platform meeting of the Home and Foreign Societies will be held at 8 o'clock. Rev. A. A. Cameron, of Ottawa, will present the claims of the Home field, and Rev. J. A. K. Walker, returned missionary, is expected to give an address on the Foreign work.

This programme is submitted by the Committee, but may be subject to alterations.

The American Baptist Missionary Union makes an excellent showing in the matter of self-support among its

missions. The number of its churches in heathen lands is 853, of which no less than 524 are self-supporting, while of its 1,235 mission schools 383 receive no help whatever from America. A partial report of benevolent contributions of its churches in pagan lands gives \$51,462; but it is believed that, taking into account the gifts that are not reported, the amount would be double that thus named.

WORK IS NOT VAIN.

BY PASTOR J. CLARK.

No work is vain, if rightly done ;
It cannot wholly go unblest ;
E'en though no glittering prize be won,
Toil gives to life a healthful zest,
And sweetens all the after-rest.

No work is vain, if rightly done ;
Before each soul some task is placed ;
If, heedless, we our duty shun,
And let our moments run to waste,
We miss the joy God's servants taste.

No work is vain, if rightly done ;
The seeming failure may not be
Deemed failure by the All-holy One,
Whose goodness never fails to see
Or recompense fidelity.

No work is vain, if rightly done ;
Since work is oft its own reward ;
And God, though God, for aye works on ;
And thus with Him, creation's Lord,
Work brings us into grand accord.

No work is vain, if rightly done :
Each deed is meekest in its place :
And our poor work, in faith begun,
May end in good and shine with grace
Before our heavenly Father's face.

No work is vain, if rightly done ;
The good is ne'er with good at strife ;
But, linked to worlds beyond the sun,
All honest worth, with blessings rife,
Must blossom in the after-life.

Bass River, N.S.

SOME OF GOD'S HIDDEN ONES.

Dear Readers of the LINK.—It is in my heart to tell you of a few of those who, like Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea, and many of the chief rulers, believe on Jesus, but because of their people they do not confess Him openly.

First, there is the blind *Seshamma*, who has learned so many of the beautiful Telugu hymns. Even one so sadly afflicted may not disgrace her family by remaining unmarried, and as they are rather well-to-do folk, parents were found who were willing to marry their son to the blind girl, and rather than undertake the care of her, they sent him to live in his mother-in-law's house, and