but she never'd had no use fur organ- Jenkins if she ever had so comfortable izations, and she didn't know no more and happy a winter since Jenkins died, about it than the rest uv us. Fact wuz, as she had after we organized that we wuz all most scairt at the thot uv a society in the church, till we see how earnest our good Sister Pinket wuz about the good uv it. Mandy Ricker wuz treasurer and knowed as much how to act as the rest uv em.

But Mrs. Pinket knowed just how to get em all to work. Fur our furst meetin she give us each a verse of Scripture to read about missions, then she talked a little about each one. Next month she had a list uv questions with their answers written out on slips uv paper and passed round the week hefore so that we could all study our part. Them questions and answers learned us a heap about our wimmen's work. At our third meetin sum uv us read pieces from a missionary magazine that she had marked fur us and had us study at home. These pieces waked up our selfish hearts and made us wish we'd knowed it long ago. By this time Mrs. Pinket had learned the secretary to write down the minits and read em to stir up our pure minds by way uv rememberance. After that meetin, she helped the treasurer send away our furst quarter's dooz I forgot to say there wuz ten uv us and we sent off three dollars and eighty cents, fur the preacher and some of the brethren chipped in some, too,

Next meetin, we had a lesson about Jamaica and begin to talk about our work there. In six months, would you believe it? Mrs. Goodheart read a paper uv her own on Heathen wimmen, that showed she'd bin a readin and knowed what she wuz a talkin about. The secretary brot a map and hunz it on the wall. She must uv studied it day and night, the way she showed us every place and told us about the climet and products and people and missions there. Mrs. Pinket that every one ort to do something. So one day the treasurer she got up and said: "I move that Keziah Krinkle be appointed a committee to invite the wimmen of the church to join our oxilery." Well I almost fainted, me, Keziah Krinkle, that's only a hard workin woman, think uv nie a askin sum o' them fine ladies as rides to meetin on Sundays in their kerridges dressed up in silks and feathers, think uv me, I say, invitin uv them to our meetins. Before I could think of a wurd to say, the motion wuz seconded and unanimously carried, and there I wuz.

She wuz all right, Marthy Jane wuz, I believe in this oxilery? Ask Widder meetin. Why, in a year she ji ed and wuz a payin her dooz like the rest uv us: Ask Mrs. O'Flaherty if she believes in it. She has had respectable work and good pay ever sence we got interested in the furren work. Mike and Peggy has been sent to school with decent clothes and good books. Pat is two times more a man sence he see us a fixin them children up, and his home a lookin, better kept. He only gits drunk about once a month now, and duz that with his own earning that he's a savin up the rest uv the time to buy a home with. He sez he'll try hard never to do it no more, but habit's a awful master. Mrs. O'Flaherty, she cum into our meetin and into the church, and she kin make a first rate talk now on Wimmen's work fur wimmen. Yes, I believed in our meetin. and it wuz no trick at all to ask Widder Jenkins and Mrs. O'Flaherty and our grocer's good wife and Mrs. Means's hired girl and our gentle little school ma'am to cum and help us, but I actually thot my heart would git away when I rung Mrs. Means's door-beil one day and set in her splendid parlor, a waitin fur her to cum down. She wuz a dressin to go. out, and I wuz jest a thinkin, "I gess I can't wait, then I kin tell the Sisters I called and didn't git to see Mrs. Means," when in she rustled all fine and gay, and e'en a most took my breath away by shakin hands and actin quite friendly like. I hursted out all at oncet and said, sez I, " Mrs. Means, I cum to ask you to join our oxilery," then I set down speechless, a wunderin if I sed " jine " or "join," and a wishin I hadn't cum. But she wuzn't haughty a bit. She see I wuz bauked, so she sez, kind o' help ful like, "Well, I've wondered about that oxilery and thot I'd cum round sum time and see, but I never remember the time and place long enough." She promised she'd cum next time, fur now that she'd been spoken to, she'd take pains to remember. Fact wuz, she wuz the same kind uv Christian as the rest uv us and we all got acquainted with her in our meetins. asked us to meet at her house, and got some good books and magazines fur our society and helped us right along. Uv course it wuzn't all sich smooth sailin. Good old Mrs. Deacon Stubbs, she that hed bin my warm friend fur years and years, talked awful to me,

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prayed over, and we all tuk special pains to be attentive to that woman. After a while Mrs. Means wuz put on my committee, then we went on all right.

Mrs. Pinket always had Mrs. Goodheart et by and take the chair when she wanted to speak or discuss, so when Mrs. Pinket wuz a goin away at the end uv the year we elected Mrs. Goodheart president, and Widder lenkins vice president.

Mrs. Goodheart knowed how to do by this time, and havin no little children, she spent sights uv time readin the books and magazines and visitin other societies. Them officers in two years seemed to know all there wuz to be knowed about missions, and every year when election time cum, I moved that the old officers be continued. Somebody seconded it and everybody said, "I." We always sent our president to all the big conventions, and Marthy Jane, having money uv her own and nobody to interfere, she always went too. Things hed bin a goin on this way nigh onto six years, and we had forty members and give over a hundred dollars a year to missions, home and furrin. Fur we had some honery members, and sum uv us give more'n ten cents a month, and we tuk a collection at our public meetins twicet a year. We wuz sed to be the best society in our deestrict.

Well, sum uv our members begin to talk about a change uv officers. They said the honors and the dooties of to Keziah Krinkle never shurks. Dooty and sed she never wunted me to say they had any objection to the old is dooty, and when I believe in a thing, I got snubbed I jist turned that name be divided up. Not, they said, that I believe in it all through. And didn't into the bizness meetin and it wuz faithfully, but in sech a large society

ther of to be a change once in a while. I tell you it riled us charter members to hev them as hed bin in the oxilery only three or four years, a tellin us what we'd b tter do. We knowed the wurk frum its infancy, and we knowed jest what wuz b st fur it. Uv course sum who cum in later hed more book learnen, and hed bin in more places than we'd ever hurd uv, but what wuz that, long side uv bein so meny years a · fficer in this oxilery and knowin everybody in it and how they cum there; and known, too, the plans and wishes uv our parint society as we did? It wuz only natural that we should resent the interference uv any younger members.

Mrs. Goodheart, though she wuz fur too modest to say anything in an public way, showed plain enough that she felt that after all her years uv patient, faithful wurk fur the oxilery, spendin much uv her time a preparin and studyin and a keepin up with the times that it would be not only unwise but unkind to vote sum new woman in her place. And who wouldn't feel so? Marthy Jane and Mandy and Widder Jenkins felt the same way and we oldest members all stood by em in it. So the thing wuz argued fur two years before eny thing wuz effected. Tother side sed that it created a greater interest if the responsibilities wuz shared among the members; that others of to be in trainin; that sometimes a change even in good management give new life to a bizness; that there wuz Miss Belus, the new pastor's daughter, hed been a missionary in fur off Siam and hed wurked in sum of the finest oxileries in the union. Well, after two years a talkin uv it up, our annual election wuz a surprize to sum uv us. Every office was elected new but the treasurer. Ther wuz some feeiin. The treasurer jumped up quick and said: " If a change uv officers is so necessary, better change them all, I resign." I said to the wimmen near me: "Well, I know what I'll do, I'll take my membership over to Peach Ridge, and they kin do as they please. If we're not worth listenen to, we're not worth havin." One or two other rasty ones sed sum ugly things, but Mis. Goodheart cum out grandly and riz abuv her personal feelins, as she sed, and made us all sech a nice talk about doin it all fur Jesus and wantin only what would best surve Him, and about her a gittin along in

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