

teacher, one who had had long and valued experience as a teacher in the Cocanada boarding school. She and Dora make an excellent staff for our girls' school. At Christmas all but one who appeared passed their examinations. About 25 are on the roll.

"We have had the joy of laying the foundation of the chapel and dispensary in the Lepers' Compound and of dedicating it to the service of God during a visit of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey who represented the Mission to Lepers. The corner-stone of the doctor's home was laid amid much ceremony in the presence of the leading officials of the town and addresses were made by some of their representatives by Mr. Davis and Mr. Laflamme. To this building there is also a dispensary and, when funds permit, we hope to complete two more rooms for the accommodation of patients who may come from a distance.

"The new graduate of the medical school at Agra, D. L. Joshee, one sent for training from our own mission and who came after I left with the congratulations of his professor for having come out first in a graduating class of 57, has had his welcome from Dr. Hulet who rejoiced at this new accession to her forces.

"The last two months of the year reported, May and June, were spent in travel homewards. How we would love to have seen your faces at the Convention and to have felt the warm grasp of your hands, but rest is so necessary. I feel very much like a disabled hulk of a vessel which every breath of adverse wind turns to its will and I must be thoroughly replenished, oiled over and trimmed up before I can be of any use to any one. While in Winnipeg and Topeka I hope the Lord may replenish me as He will and make me fit to return to His blessed service in India by the time another Convention meets. Pray for me to this end.

"Summary of work for nine months.

Houses visited	232
Villages visited	105
Meetings	81
Special talks	11
Bible classes	108
Schools examined	15
Days on tour	55
Visits to Leper Home	75

Miss Hatch started for Canada on the 24th of April, leaving Dr. Gertrude Hulet in charge of the field. Dr. Hulet has tried to keep up the regular

monthly meetings with the Bible-women, the weekly meetings with the Christian women on the compound Pusalpudi, and the meetings with the leper women in the leper chapel, the charge of the Sunday schools and of the caste school as well as her medical work.

The Sunday school workers have been faithful during all the intense heat of the past summer. They meet at 2.30 to pray and sing before starting out, then books for recording the attendance of boys and girls, men and women are given them, also little colored slips with pictures illustrating the lesson and the golden text, these are given to the children who recite the golden text. Dr. Hulet hopes great things for the Caste Sunday school and gives some interesting instances of good being done there.

The medical work has been pressing. As it was necessary that Dr. Hulet should have her mornings for study, no patient was seen then unless a very urgent case. For some time it was necessary to have the assistance of a compounder, Benjamin by name, who had been trained by Dr. Smith. He did much in giving the Word to the people while Dr. Hulet prescribed. Dr. Joshee is a very great help to Dr. Hulet in the medical work, she describes him as valiant for the Truth. Whenever a case is not very urgent he makes it his first duty to tell his patients about Christ.

Through the medical work our missionaries are making their way into the homes and the hearts of the Brahmins, notwithstanding the fact that those in Ramachandrapuram had made up their minds to keep this religion out.

#### VILLAGE SCHOOLS.

There are thirteen village schools on the Ramachandrapuram field. From them four girls have gone into the boarding schools and three boys. Two girls have been baptized. All attend Sunday school and help to sing in the church. They are the only ones in the congregation who can read.

There is still a lack of good teachers, but now that there is a Normal school to which the boys can be sent for training, it is hoped that want may be soon met.

#### PEDDAPURAM.

A measure of restored health has made the past year a very happy one for Miss MacLeod, who reports having spent fifty-four days on tour and seen the work of the Bible-women in outside villages. In