

REPORT OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE W. B. F. M. S. OF E. O. & Q.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Board was held on Wednesday afternoon, February 28th, in the Board room of the Olivet Church, the President, Mrs. Claxton being in the chair.

The Treasurer's report was encouraging, and \$430.00 was appropriated towards the regular work of the Society in India. Mrs. Rickert was instructed to forward all money on hand for the Bungalow Fund, which amounted to \$200.00. A letter, which had been received from Rev. John Craig, stated that any amount from our Society at the present would be welcome, as all the fund in India had been paid over in order to secure material for the new bungalow at Akidu.

Mrs. N. McCallum, Vankleek Hill, Mrs. Lothian, Maxville; Mrs. Wm. Erskine, Rockland; Mrs. Walford, Westmount; and Miss Russell, First Church, Montreal, were received as life members of the society.

After some discussion, it was decided to have envelopes printed with the Home Mission Board for free distribution, in order to encourage the holding of universal thank offering meetings in the Circles.

A letter from Miss Murray was read, and contained the news of her restoration to health in such a measure that she was able to attend all the sessions of Conference.

Our missionary reported the purchase of her tent, and wrote appreciatively of the work of the Circles in sending the funds necessary.

Letters from Miss McLaurin, Dr. Gertrude Hulet, Rev. John Craig and the reports of Mrs. D'Beaux and Miss Begg were listened to with interest.

At the close of the meeting our President, Mrs. Claxton, bade farewell to the members of the Board present, before her departure for Alameda, California, where she will spend some months.

ETHEL CLAXTON AYER,
... Cor. Secretary.

DAY OF PRAYER.

As noted in the March issue, the Day of Prayer for the work of our Home and Foreign Missionary Societies (East) will be observed on Thursday, April 5th, 1906. All the members of our Circles are urged to remember this day.

Special prayer is requested for Miss Murray and her work on the Yellamanchili and Nar-

sapatnam fields that more native women may feel called to take up Bible work.

For Miss McLaurin that the way may be opened and a trained teacher secured for the establishment of a caste girls' school at Valuru, where some of the townfolk have shown a desire for such a school.

For four of the biggest girls in the Caste School in Vuyyuru that they may really give their hearts to Christ.

For the Boarding Schools at Akidu and Vuyyuru that the little ones may be brought to Christ, and for the students at Samalkota that they may be led to serve Him.

For the women in the Zenanas, and especially the widows who are being taught by Mrs. D'Beaux and Miss Begg.

E. C. A.

MONTREAL.

An illustrated lecture was given under the auspices of the Board by the Rev. J. R. Webb in the lecture room of the First Baptist Church, on Friday, Feb. 9th. The views were particularly fine, and the subject a "Holiday in England and France," was treated in a very interesting manner, being the experiences of the lecturer on his extended trip across the Atlantic last summer when he attended the London Congress.

A large audience was present, and the choir of the church rendered appropriate selections during the evening. The proceeds amounted to \$33.15.

E. C. A.

A BUILDING FOR MISS MURRAY'S HELPERS.

A few months ago Miss Murray, in a letter to the Board, made a very urgent request for some \$66 in order to purchase some property belonging to the London Missionary Society in Yellamanchili, which was for sale at very much below its value.

New quarters were necessary for our missionary helpers, as the old ones were almost uninhabitable and required constant repairs, and this opportunity of securing a building at a price much lower than anything of the kind could be built, seemed too good to allow it to pass. We are indebted to one of the friends of the work, who generously contributed the amount required, and were especially pleased to forward the money to Miss Murray, as in the event of her not purchasing immediately, the property was to be acquired by the Dancing Girls of the town. That the money