

to God that he was born in a Christian land, until each feels for the heathen so deeply as to desire to send them the knowledge of the same Christ who had blest us. Mission stories could be told that would rivet the attention of all, for in the daily work of Missions heroism has been displaced and perils endured, and triumphs secured, that makes the most thrilling stories of romance dull by comparison: Judson in prison, cared for by his devoted wife; Boardman carried to the jungle to see the first convert baptized, and dying as he is being brought home, are illustrations from India. Gordon murdered at Erramanga his place taken by his brother who also fell under the murderous blows of the savages, can be told in such a way as to make missionary heroes greater to the young than the heroes of the battlefield. Livingston under the paw of the lion, will engage the breathless attention of the youngest. There is not a mission field on earth from which there cannot be brought a story that will interest and instruct the very youngest. All this you will say, will take time. Surely time is well spent in leaving on the youthful mind a deep impression of the importance and value of mission work. I do not believe that in any other way we could so profitably invest a portion of our time. If a Band could maintain a boy at school and in some way come into personal touch with him by letter it would quicken zeal and promote interest. A Sunday School in New York adopted Kandura. They commenced praying for his conversion, soon the joyful news was communicated that he had found Christ, they then prayed that he might be a preacher. God called him. As the years rolled by the American Civil war ensued and every American worker was removed. Kandura held to his post. One day two Garos came to Gowhattii asking for a teacher. Kandura met them, went with them, and thus founded the Garo Mission, one of the most prosperous of American Missions. Who shall say that the same result may not flow from one of our little Mission Bands working in weakness and upheld by the head of the church, Jesus Christ. Let us labor on for He who has said: a cup of cold water shall not be forgotten looks with interest and approbation on efforts to train the young in His service and so to train them that when they shall take the place we now occupy, they shall acquit themselves better than we, be more deeply interested, more willing to make sacrifices to carry out the great Commission. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

FROM OUR AID SOCIETIES.

The other day some one kindly sent us a copy of the *Reflector*, a little paper in connection with the Bridgetown church. The news in it from our Aid Societies in connection with that church is so bright, others will be benefited, and perhaps cheered, as was the Secretary.

CENTREVILLE.—Crusade Day was observed by our W. M. A. S. on Tuesday, October 26th, and the meetings were of more than usual interest. In the afternoon, at 4 o'clock, the Society met for its usual work. Quite a number of the sisters from the Bridgetown Society were with us. This meeting was characterized by a spirit of deep devotion to the cause of missions, and in the work of the Master in general. During the intermission be-

tween the afternoon and evening meeting, tea was furnished by the sisters and much enjoyed by all. In the evening a large gathering came together and saw and heard a most pleasing programme, participated in by a number of the sisters, and Miss Gertie Brooks and Misses Edith and Ethel Brooks, whose recitations were much enjoyed. Perhaps the most pleasing feature of the evening was the singing of the children (members of the Mission Band), under the direction of sister Mrs. Donald Messenger. The exercise, "Little Pilgrims," being beautifully rendered. The meetings as a whole were of a helpful and stimulating character and must result in good.

BRIDGETOWN.—The November meeting of the Aid Society was held at the home of sister Mrs. A. D. Brown. Fifteen sisters were present and one visitor. Meeting opened in the usual manner—singing, reading Scripture lesson and prayer. Prayer topic, "for a special blessing on the missionary work in the North-West and British Columbia, that this year there may be many souls won to Christ." The roll was then called, in which all had a part.

A communication was read by the President from the W. B. M. U., showing a deficit of \$270.85 in the financial report. As this money is so much needed to carry on their work, an urgent appeal is made to the sisters of each Society, asking for a little more self-denial if possible, in order to raise this amount. It only means a small amount from each sister in order to make this deficit a thing of the past. Let us do it.

A very interesting letter was read from our missionary in India—Miss Ida Newcombe—although our hearts were saddened as she pictured to us some of the terrible sights which so often meet the eye, victims of poverty and disease. Oh, the darkness of heathenism! May we who have experienced the love of God in our hearts be faithful in sending the Gospel into that dark and benighted land.

CAPE BRETON has fallen into line. Our women had their first meeting in connection with the District Meeting. The day was stormy, and many who had planned to be present were detained, but the County Secretary says: "We had a good meeting, and we think our corner in the District Meetings will be permanent."

Mrs. Beattie was appointed President of the County work, and Mrs. McLean, Mrs. Jefferson and Mrs. James Nicoll appointed to work with her and the County Secretary. There were reports, and a discussion on the best way of conducting meetings, and also a very fine paper from Mrs. Jefferson, entitled "Our work at home, are we doing it?"

SACKVILLE has not been unmindful of Crusade Day. Committee was appointed to visit the sisters who had not yet become members, seeking to awaken their interest. Six sisters agreed to prepare a plain tea. Another asked the Society to meet at her house. A committee was appointed to prepare a programme and every sister asked to invite some one who was not a member. On October 19th, about 50 came together. An hour of devotional service was followed by a social, interspersed