

pally to the addition of a VII. Standard to the Akidu School, where our Miss Hinman is seeking to develop the younger generation of Telugus, both spiritually and mentally. This will add greatly to the efficiency of the school.

The appropriation for Bolivia, too, has been increased \$25.00, which fact surely ought to bring us some satisfaction, as we are doing such a wee bit for the great neglected continent of South America.

And now, what are we going to do about this increase? Show the white feather? Not a bit of it! Our women have proved what they can do—all hon or to them—and a small advance from each Circle and Band will cover it.

Now is the time to plan for new Life-Members. Do let us have a list to be proud of this year. One of our Circles is trying the plan suggested, that five women write in, making one of their number a Life-Member for five years.

Perhaps some other Circle may like to follow their example.

And now may I ask that special emphasis should be laid on the need for prayer. There are so many things that we should pray about—our missionaries, the indifferent women, the young women, our Bands, our Board, our Treasurer. Let us remember all these, and pray earnestly that hearts may be made tender and responsive, and that our gifts may be prompt and generous. "Ask of Me and I will do it," He says; and He will. Therefore let us ask.

May the New Year give to each of you a new vision of your great opportunity and a keen sense of your responsibility to give Christ to the many women and children who know not the joy and peace of His love; and may 1917 be a year of true happiness to each one, in spite of the minor chord which is running through all our lives.

Affectionately, your President,

ETHEL CLAXTON AYER.

THE YOUNG WOMEN.

The King's Highway.

LESSON I.

N.B.—It will be necessary to have copies of the "King's Highway" and "Around the World with Jack and Janet" as reference will be made constantly to both of these books by page.

If one has time to read stories, "Disenchanted," by Pierre Loti, and "In Goodly Fellowship," by Rachel Shauler, will give most splendid ideas of conditions in Moslem lands.

"The King's Highway" was written by Mrs. Helen Montgomery, a Baptist, after her return from a trip around the world three years ago, so the facts are first-hand, recent and reliable. It is well to have such a book, to give us a larger sweep of the work, broaden our interest and add to our knowledge, as we see how all denominations are working together to bring the King into His own rightful possessions.

King's Highway—Chap. I. A Root Out of Dry Ground.

I. Preparation:

1. Bible Lesson—Ezek. 47: 1-8. (To

be used throughout the book.) Isa. 35: 8. Isa. 40: 3-5.

2. Map Talk (3 min.): On Egypt—giving physical features. Locate: Cairo, Alexandria, Luxor, Assiut, etc.

3. Historical Setting: (1) Egyptian records begin at least 3,500 years B.C. (2) What does the Bible say about Egypt? (3) Peoples and occupations. (4) Religion. (Pyramids, Mummies and Tombs.)

(Answers to all but the second found in any encyclopedia.)

II. Planting Seed.

1. Christianity introduced by St. Mark (first century A.D.) and flourished for 500 years.—King's Highway. (Page 15.)

2. Conquest by Mohammedans.

(a) Sketch of Mahomet.—K. H., pages 16-17. Around the world.—Pages 17, 18, 19.

(b) Condition of Woman: Harem Life: polygamy, jealousy, idleness, gossip, divorce (without proceedings, by word of husband).—K. H., pg. 26.

"The doorstep of a house weeps forty days when a girl is born into a family."

III. Products: "From Donkey Stall to College Hall."