

June 18th, 1815, and lived ninety-six years and seven months.

For over a quarter of a century she had practically been confined to the house, and for ten years almost entirely to her own room. However, her influence was felt by very many. Sitting quietly in her rocking-chair by the window, her peaceful face smiled a welcome to the many who sought her, and never did any one leave without an earnest word of counsel or comfort. Her Bible, ever her constant companion, lay beside her on the little table, and it was ever her wont to quote from it or refer to it in any conversation. For years she had a box filled with small natural objects, photographs, etc., from many countries, particularly India. In showing these treasures to her callers, she invariably mentioned the Leper Home at Ramachandrapuram, enlisting sympathy on its behalf. By this means many dollars have found their way to Miss Hatch for the needy ones under her care. She was always deeply interested in Foreign Mission work, and was for some years a life member of the Women's Foreign Mission Society of Western Canada. She has two grand-daughters on foreign mission fields, viz.: Mrs. Chas. Ewald, wife of the Continental Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. in South America, and Miss Robinson of our own Telugu Mission in India.—Contributed.

#### OUR ZENANA WORKERS.

Extracts from the half-yearly reports of Misses Gibson, Beggs and Philipsz. Miss Philipsz has joined our staff of workers during the past year.

During the last half-year I have visited 91 houses, making altogether some 304 visits, and reaching about 300 women with the Gospel. Of these 91 houses, 6 were new ones. In some of them the women have never heard the name of Jesus, while in others the Gospel was pretty well known, they having heard it in some other town, or village, or had been visited by some one else hitherto, but as they so easily forget the good words, it is almost always a new story, especially the story of the Cross. The majority of these women are uneducated, not knowing a letter of their own language even, so that it is difficult for them to retain anything in their minds which they have heard a few times. This makes our work trying. Then there is so much to be done,

so much superstition and false teaching to be removed before the truth can take any hold of their minds. But by the Master's help, we have tried to sow the seed of the Kingdom beside all waters during this term, using the sword of the Spirit against the powers of darkness, and we believe that the darkness is being driven out of many hearts and the light is dawning in them, and what is more, it is leaving a moral and practical effect on their lives. This was illustrated lately in the case of a young woman who professes to be a believer in Jesus as her Saviour, and has learnt the worth of prayer. She testified to this by telling of how, in several cases of trouble, she had obtained help by praying to the Lord, and she said, "Believe me if you will, or not, since I given up all idol worship and have learnt to pray to the Lord, He has answered me every time." And she told of how she even tried to impress this on her husband, and persuaded him to give up idols and turn to the living God. Another who is also a believer, often tells of how in her distress she has prayed and received help, and a third, who is poor in this world's goods, testifies of how, when she seeks help from her rich relatives, she first asks the Lord to put it into their hearts to give, and then she is sure of receiving what she asks for. This is all the more wonderful because these people do not understand what prayer is, as a rule. They have been taught only to bow and offer something to an idol before they can expect any help or avert any trouble. Strike a bargain as it were, "I will give you so much if you will do this thing for me." Not to come like children to a father; but now that they have learnt that God is their Father, they are glad of the privilege of prayer, and He honors their simple faith in order that they may trust Him for greater things. "Him that cometh unto Me, I will in no wise cast out." is a verse I often quote, and many are glad to hear it. This is the bright side of the picture, however. There is a dark side also, which makes one realize how very much there is yet to be done. There was opposition in several houses this term, but it came almost always from men, or boys. Only one woman dared to oppose the truth. One day, because she could read a little and did not care to hear the truth concerning sin and its punish-