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## RETURN TO WORK.

**W**E hope that with the Editor, many of our readers have enjoyed a resting time during these summer months and are returning to their work with renewed health and energy. With September the LINK resumes its monthly visits to your homes and we hope will continue to be favorably received and the circulation increased through the faithful efforts of our agents, whose services are much appreciated. Many appreciative words received by the Editor have been an encouragement, and we hope our paper will be increasingly useful in disseminating missionary knowledge and having some small share in the extending of Christ's kingdom on the earth.

We hope all the friends who sent for "Among the Telegus," through the LINK, received the copies ordered. We regretted it was so late in coming and desire to inform our readers that we still have some copies on hand, which we would be glad to mail to anyone sending 12 cts. It is a most instructive and interesting report of our work in India, and should be in the hands of all our mission workers, as well as "Beacon Lights," compiled by Rev. J. G. Brown. With these two books, there is no excuse for any one not being well informed about our Foreign Missionary Society.

*The Baptist Missionary Magazine* is an old familiar friend, that improves on acquaintance. It has always been a thoroughly readable paper gotten up in good form. But its later numbers are particularly attractive: tasteful cover, firm paper, clear type and excellent cuts. Its reading is interesting and instructive, bearing the marks of thorough knowledge and ability in regard to the subjects treated. As with missionaries and missionary papers generally, it breathes a spirit of courage, confidence and hope. Any one, Baptist especially, desiring a broader outlook on our missionary work, could not do better than to send for this admirable magazine. Subscription price \$1 a year in advance. Address, *The Baptist Missionary Magazine*, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., U. S.

REFLEX influences, radiating from university life, are smiting with new earnestness the occupants of many a pulpit and many a pew. But, as one stands amidst the rising temples of Hinduism; as one hears the roar of applause that went up in the National Congress at the mention of the name of a Hindu god; as one sees how religion is both the very life and in a sense the very death of the East, one's heart yearns for the day when the evangelical churches of America and Europe shall awake from their fond contentment with local prosperity and shall see the world-need as Christ sees it and as His missionaries see it.—*Charles Cuthbert Hall.*

"LET him deny himself," is the word of the Master, as He speaks concerning one who would be His disciple. Most of us have read it. "Let him deny himself of things: let him do without things that minister to his comfort, and then he will be pleasing to His Lord." But the denial of things is not always attended by the denial of self. It is the heart and life that must be brought into captivity to Jesus Christ. Life itself must be held subject to His will; life itself must be yielded to the work of the kingdom; not a few of us are willing to give things to the kingdom, even when they cost much. But the gift without the giver is not what is meant by self-denial, the giver goes first. That company of saints who was rich in bounty in Paul's day made the bounty all the richer because behind it was the surrendered life of the givers. True love can never be satisfied with the gift of things, be they ever so beautiful and valuable. It is the giver before the gift. So self-denial does not mean doing without things; it means the surrender of life to another; and in this matter it means a life surrendered to Jesus Christ. Has this phase of self-denial wrought its ministry in your life.—*Baptist Union.*

We have been obliged to hold over all reports of Circles and Bands for Associational Reports, as it is very important they should all be published this month.

## Our Work Abroad.

### AKIDU, INDIA.

DEAR LINE,—

I mentally resolved to write to your readers during this hot season, but I have let two months of it go by without putting my resolution into effect. The sermon I heard last Sunday morning by our missionary, Doctor Woodburne, about considering our mercies and giving God thanks for them, has provided me with a subject in which to write a few lines which I think may be interesting to some of you. I will call my subject "Some of the Joys of being a Missionary in India,"

Our dear friends at home hear a good deal about our hardships and trials out here and pity us. To those I want to testify that the trials are many but the joys are infinitely more. First and foremost is the joy of *being here* in our Master's service. We all feel it a great privilege to have been called by God to help bring India's sons and daughters to worship Him. This is an every day and an every season joy. A joy which we have in health and in sickness. It cost our brethren, J. R. Stillwell and J. A. K. Walker, a great deal of sorrow, I know, to have to leave the work and go home on account of ill health, and now Mr. Davis is going through a hard struggle because it seems necessary that he should go home. I feel sure that all our missionaries agree with me about this being a joy. We love the work.

Personally I have to rejoice in health. God has given me very good health and my heart is full of thankfulness that after five and a half years here I am just as well as when I came. Of course the climate has taken some of my strength but I am speaking of good *health*. I thank Him that He has given me a working use of the language so that I can make people understand when I try to tell them of His love.

I thank Him for physical comforts, too many to mention here. There are a few physical discomforts—just at present heat and mosquitoes are the principal ones—and the sermon above mentioned brought home to me the fact that these are too often mentioned and God's abundant daily mercies much too rarely.

There is sight, hearing, strength to walk and talk and work, sleep and rest, besides blessing for the mind and the spiritual blessings which

we enjoy and those which we might enjoy if we would, and there are the eternal joys which we have in prospect; with all these if we would but consider them, we ought to be ashamed to mention the few crosses which we have to bear.

I am glad and I thank my Father that He allowed me to stay at the station this hot season. I have had the privilege of teaching His precious Word to a class of seven women twice a week while it was too hot to go out to the village. He sent them to me and we had our classes under the punkah or on the verandah if the breeze was cool enough.

I have also to thank Him for the privilege of helping Dr. Woodburne with some of His patients and of learning some things about medicine which I know will be useful to me in the future.

So dear friends if God is calling any of you to leave your home and come out here for His work do not think of the trials, for they are really very few compared with the joys. God wants many of you to help on the coming of His kingdom here, so do not withhold your life, your prayers and your money. We have His promise for a hundred-fold more in this life and in the age to come life everlasting.

The hot season will soon be over and we have not suffered greatly from the heat. The canals will soon be filled with water and we can begin our evangelistic touring again. Pray for the work in this field.

Our annual report is just out and you will be pleased with the good news of many souls saved and much progress in the work. You will see by my report that I was expecting a touring Bible-woman, *Jemima*, this year. She came to me but only remained with me twenty days when it became necessary for her to return home and she cannot come back.

The farmers around here are ploughing and sowing their seed for transplanting later on, and God sent a beautiful rain which is very unusual at this time of the year, but He saw that it was much needed because the crops failed last year.

Now I think my letter is long enough, so I will close by wishing you all God's greatest blessings with the power of enjoying them and of telling out your gladness. Read Psalm 40:  
3, 5, 10, 11.

S. E. MORROW.

**YELLAMANCHILLI, VIZAGAPATAM DISTRICT,  
INDIA.**

March 12, 1904.

In several respects the condition of the people on this field differs from that on the Vuyuru field.

As a whole the people are poorer than in Vuyuru, the majority of them living in palmyra leaf roofed houses, while in Vuyuru there are many tiled roofs. There are fewer outcasts, also fewer Brahmins and the great middle classes exhibit much less caste prejudice than in the south and as a rule do not seem to regard my touch or that of my Bible-women as polluting. This was surprising to me.

The reception given me in the villages was all that could be desired. Although a number of the villages had been visited by Mrs. Smith, Miss McLaurin and Mrs. Woodburne, yet in some I was a great curiosity and the women came in such crowds that it was with difficulty we made ourselves heard and it was necessary to satisfy their curiosity regarding myself ere it was possible to tell our message. In many places from fifteen to forty women, some standing, some sitting before us, would listen so attentively as we told them the story of Jesus, giving the leading events from His birth to His ascension. Oh the joy we experienced as these women drank in the words of life and "Heaven was nearer and Christ was dearer" to ourselves. Very often were the words "Tis joy not duty to speak His beauty" in my mind.

Several times we were led to pray with the people. On one occasion, after speaking of the fatherly love of God for His creatures we prayed for His blessing upon our hearers. At the close of the prayer the woman of the house said so earnestly, "It is just as though that God was here." At another house in praying we mentioned the names of the two women who had called us, whereupon one of them begged us not to do anything to them.

In the villages of Nakkapalli, where we camped, we met a woman from Yellamanchilli who some two years ago believed in Jesus, forsook her idolatry and presented to Mrs. Smith her idols and the articles used in their worship, (these are now in McMaster University, Toronto) but had never had courage to make a public profession. God blessed our visit to her and strengthened her to confess Christ, first with us in the homes of her Hindu neighbors, then in baptism. She was baptised in one of the village

tanks one Sunday morning by Dr. Smith, who wheeled over for the ordinance from a village six miles away.

This was the first baptism to take place in those parts, and we take it as a token of good things to come.

The village of Nakkapalli and surrounding villages are a part of the mission field of the Telugu Baptist Christians, and here is stationed Chirigudi Ramaswami Garu, the second convert on Yellamanchilli field, and one of the preachers supported by them.

Here also is Satan's seat. At the back of my camping place is a hill, at the base and on the sides of which, gleaming in the sunshine, are the whitewashed temples of a god named Venkanna, who is represented by the figure of a lizard carved in a stone slab. Yearly, to this temple resort multitudes and multitudes of people to make their offerings of fruit, grain clothes, money, etc., thus enriching the sleek Brahmin priests in attendance, who deceive the people with the tale that these temples were not built by men but came up out of the earth. The outcasts of this village, where Satan has thus established himself, told me that their village being the seat of a god, they could get no fresh water, but salt, and were on this account unable to keep clean having to carry their water so far. Oh the power of the "Deceiver" and the bondage of the people who "believe a lie", but thanks be to God for the truth which makes "free" as in the case of the woman whom Dr. Smith baptised on that Sunday. Her family gave largely towards the construction and upkeep of this very temple and she herself was one of the god Venkanna's most devoted worshippers. Now she, her brother and her daughter are enjoying the liberty wherewith Christ sets free.

On the Saturday previous to the baptism, she, her daughter, granddaughter, the preacher, my biblewoman and I, gathered in my tent for prayer and prayed that in the place of these temples and the approaching festival, God would establish His own true worship.

During this tour I was much impressed with the opportunity and necessity for work among the children. The dear trustful children, so different from their suspicious elders, and so easily won! Pray that God may guide us in establishing new Sunday Schools, (there are already a number) and in winning the children for Him. I long for a good set of Sunday School pictures on the life of Christ and on some

of the leading characters and events of the Old Testament. Will not the Montreal Sunday Schools help me in this?

In one village a crowd of outcast children bothered me so much that I could do nothing among the older people; so turning my attention upon the children, I had them sit down upon the ground and taught them to sing the first two commandments and was surprised to find the most troublesome of them really bright and thirsting for knowledge. One boy smoothed the sand before him and begged me to teach him to write the alphabet. He said he had to be in the fields all day but would I not send someone to teach them in the evenings. Several boys joined him in this request. I felt a great love for them in spite of their dirt and the jostling they gave me. Yours in the service—  
ANNIE C. MURRAY.

*Cocanada*—Miss Folsom writes from the Timpany Memorial School, that they now have the largest number of boarders they ever had, and says: "There has been an earnest spirit of inquiry among them, and the daily Bible lessons have been thoughtfully studied. Six boarding-girls, two day-scholars and our head mistress have been baptized and have joined the Church.

Others seemed ready for baptism, but their parents would not give their consent. Since the baptism another dear little girl has confessed Christ and I am looking for others still to come.

"Mr. Smith has given us excellent sermons, and has labored very faithfully among his flock. We rejoice over those who have come out into the light, but our hearts yearn over some who seem hardening themselves against the truth. Do pray that they too may yield themselves to Christ. . . . Miss Corning is doing a grand work among our girls, and is conducting prayers in Telugu for our servants, daily. They have become very much interested and have committed the Lord's Prayer and about a dozen texts to memory. One of them professed Christ in baptism about a month ago. One of our girls assists Miss Corning and has become quite anxious to do Christian work among the Telegus. She has a good knowledge of the language. . . . Some of our young converts have more than usual character and push about them, and if spared, will I believe, amount to something some day.

"Our Sunday School numbers over 50 pupils, Miss Robinson very kindly comes down and teaches the Bible class for us, and her teaching is much appreciated."

## Our Work at Home.

### ASSOCIATION REPORTS.

**C**ANADA CENTRAL.—The annual meeting of Circles and Bands was held at Almonte, June 15th, in The St. John's Presbyterian Church, kindly given for the occasion.

The morning session opened with devotional exercises—led by a visitor, Miss Wanistanley, of Salem, Oregon—and carried us to the feet of our wise Counsellor for guidance in the business of the day.

Our president, Mrs. Frith, was in the chair, and Mrs. W. S. Robertson was appointed Recording Secretary. An address of welcome from the Almonte sisters was read by Miss Berryman, to which Mrs. Moulton heartily responded.

Our president's address was short and pointed, giving us "*perseverance*" as our motto for the coming year. She spoke of the difficulties in the work; but to remember "The harder the task the greater the need of perseverance."

Perseverance in personal work—Interesting others and so winning them for missions, and this, not in just the few, "*But all at it and always at it,*" would solve the problem of getting a greater interest in, and larger attendance at, our meetings. She spoke also of perseverance in prayer, and quoted several passages bearing on this subject.

Next came the Roll Call and we were pleased to have so many respond. The letters from the

different Circles and Bands were then read. The total Circle offerings for the year were \$817.29, being 41 cents less than the previous year. Of this amount \$234.23 was given to Home Missions, \$401.31 to Foreign Missions, \$113.75 to Grande Ligne, \$63.00 to Manitoba and North West, and \$5.00 to the Bolivia Mission.

The Mission Band Secretary, Miss Thompson, of Carleton Place, read her encouraging report; 13 Bands responded. Total membership, 427; contributions \$243.91, for the year, showing an increase of both membership and contributions. The excellencies of our little papers, *THE LINK* and *VISITOR* were dwelt upon by several delegates who almost made us believe, by introducing these papers into our homes, we were entertaining angels unawares. A letter was read from the Corresponding Secretary of the B. W. F. M. society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec, telling of the work done, and sending greetings.

The opening of the Question Drawer followed. Sister Belle, of Ottawa, ably conducted this part of the programme making it interesting and helpful. A Nominating Committee was appointed, who recommended the following officers for the ensuing year—President, Mrs. P. A. McEewn, Carleton Place; Vice-President, Mrs. Emmet, Brockville; Directors, Mrs. J. L. Kellock, Perth Superintendent of Mission Bands, Miss Thompson, Carleton Place. On motion

their recommendations were unanimously adopted.

The new president, Mrs. McEwen, was introduced, and the morning session closed with a hymn and prayer.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

After devotional exercises, the minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Mrs. Nicolls, of Lanark, (a returned missionary) gave us a talk on the needs of the heathen in South Africa. Her heart has gone out to those poor people sitting in darkness, and she instills into her listeners the feeling that no matter what color the skin is, the soul is like precious in God's sight.

Mrs. Parsons, in dealing with Home Missions, said "we want a broad platform with good, strong, square timber of Faith, Works, Love and Duty—the foundation to go together with prayer.

A solo by Miss Washburn, and greetings from Sister societies, followed; Mrs. McEwen conveying greetings from the brethren of the Association then in session. A smile of welcome greeted Mrs. Halkett, of Ottawa, as she rose to talk to us, taking for her subject the words, "I shall be satisfied."

After the offering and a short address by the Rev. W. J. Pady on The A.B.C. of our Foreign Mission work, our annual meeting closed, to meet, if it so pleased our Heavenly Father, in Westport next year.

E. M. ROBERTSON, Recording Sec'y.

ELGIN—The annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circle and Bands was held with the church at Bayham, June 1st, and was well attended notwithstanding the very unfavorable weather. The morning session was opened with a very helpful prayer service led by Mrs. E. J. Stobo, of Pt. Burwell. Following the opening exercises reports were received from twelve Circles and five Bands which were very encouraging and full of hope for the future.

The afternoon session opened with prayer, after which interesting letters were read from two of our sisters, Miss Minnie Pound and Miss Minnie Simlev, missionaries in Burma. Miss Abell extended a very hearty welcome to the delegates, to which Mrs. Deolittle responded.

The Director's report showed a small decrease from Circles, but an increase in offerings from Bands. One Circle, the Aldboro Plains, has died, but one Band at Gladstone had re-organized during the year, the total being sixteen Circles and seven Bands. Amount raised from Circles for Home Missions \$390.81; for Foreign Missions \$438.12; for Indian Missions \$9.55; total \$838.48. From Bands to Home, \$26.80; Grande Ligne \$2.00; North West, \$2.00; Foreign \$55.96; total \$86.76. Making a grand total of \$925.24, a decrease of \$12.44. The officers were elected as follows:—President, Mrs. J. H. Doofittle, Sparta; Vice-President, Mrs. Cook Newcombe, Yarmouth, Ohio; Director, Miss

M. Laidlaw, Sparta; Assistant Director, Miss Amelia Pound, Bayham. A most interesting map talk on the work of our Lady Missionaries in India was given by Miss Cahoon, of Carleton, and was much appreciated by all present. The need of separate Bungalows for our Missionaries was brought before the delegates and each Circle urged to make an offering before October. Many helpful suggestions in Band work was given by Miss McDiarmid, of Aylmer. The old problem of trying to interest the women of our church in Missions was dealt with by Mrs. Newcombe and in the discussion following these two addresses many helpful suggestions were given.

The evening session was opened with a short song service, after which Mrs. A. J. Vining, of Aylmer, gave an excellent address on Home Missions. A very helpful address on "Women as Helpers" was given by Miss Hattie Mills, of Sparta. This was followed by a most earnest and able address on "The Kingdom," by Rev. W. P. Reekie, of Sparta. Solos were rendered during the session by Miss Opal Baker, Miss Alma Clark and Miss Chute, which were much appreciated by all. The offerings for the day amounted to \$11.24.

GUELPH.—The women's meeting was held on the afternoon of Wednesday, June 8th, in St. Marys. The president, Mrs. E. L. Hill, B. A., Guelph, opened the session with devotional exercises, taking as her message, "What the rising of the dead should mean." The puzzled disciples could not understand it, and we to-day know why only in part. To Jesus, it meant, 1st, victory over sin; 2nd, newness of life. To us it means birth of spiritual life. Brought up morally, the line of demarcation in our lives, since conversion, may not be plainly seen, but ours should be self-surrendered lives. After the resurrection "all power," was given to Christ, therefore "go ye." After several had engaged in prayer, Mrs. C. F. Smith, St. Mary's, cordially welcomed us to their church and homes, and Mrs. Ross, Orangeville, made a suitable response. Greetings were also extended from the Women's societies of other churches in the towns. Then followed the reading of Church, Circle and Band letters. 15 Circles reported \$678.33, an increase over last year of nearly \$70, and 10 Bands contributed \$169.12—total \$847.45. Of this \$11.15 was raised from contribution of 5c. per Circle member, for association expenses. By this means our collections at St. Marys amounting to \$10.45 can be sent intact to our treasurers. The reports were encouraging. Mrs. Marshall, Berlin, gave an interesting address on "The life abundant and vigorous." Made for life with God, anything short of this produces dissatisfaction. Out of touch with Him, we are out of our natural environment. Hence the spirit was given to us and we may have God in our common-place lives, thus raising our lives to a higher level. This life is needed in our churches and in our homes. The need of separate Bungalows

lows for single lady missionaries in India was presented briefly by the President. This program was interspersed with music by Mrs. Sutherland and Miss Taylor, St. Marys, and Messrs. Whyte and Zieman. The resignation of our efficient Director, Miss Warren, was regretfully received, circumstances forbidding her continuance in the office she had held so satisfactorily for some years. Miss Evans, Guelph, was appointed, with permission to select an assistant. Mrs. E. L. Hill, who has ably served as our President for three years, wished to be relieved and Mrs. Marshall, Berlin, was elected for the coming year.

In the evening, the moderator presided over a joint meeting. Mrs. Holman, Toronto, delighted us with her excellent address on "Things for which we may thank God, in our Home Mission work during past six months," and Rev. H. C. Priest gave a stirring account of the "Four sided problem in India, namely Industrial, Medical, Educational and Evangelistic Missions."

ALICE M. EVANS, Director.

OWEN SOUND—The annual meetings of the Mission Circles and Bands, of the Owen Sound Association, were held at Wiarton on June 15. The morning session reports were presented by delegates from 11 Circles; 5 Circles also reporting to the Director, making in all 16. A backward glance was taken at the work since meeting in Wiarton seven years before. These have been foundation years. Much has been learned of the needs of the work and much love and faithful service bestowed upon it by the officers and members of the Circles, and year by year the work has grown in interest and importance. Regarding this year, as might be expected, the long and stormy winter just experienced, has made it difficult for the women of the Circles in the country to meet regularly, yet the record of some of these Circles as to regularity of work and contribution shews a devotion worthy of the cause. Paisley and Durham Circles have taken shares in the Ontario Bungalow and an earnest interest was taken in this matter by the representatives of Circles present. Perhaps the importance and need of this building has not been generally understood. Several questions were asked, to which Miss Norton, of Toronto, ably replied and it is hoped that before Convention each Circle will have a share in the New Bungalow. The organization of three *New* Mission Bands was reported, making eight in all. The officers for the ensuing year are—President, Mrs. Rev. D. Catchpole; Secretary Mrs. (Rev.) L. F. Kipp; the Director, Mrs. Walker being re-appointed.

The Annual Public Meeting was held in the afternoon. Mrs. (Rev.) L. Newton, of Durham, presiding. Reading of Scripture by Mrs. Allen, of Paisley, and earnest prayer led by Mrs. (Rev.) Jas. McEwen, of Wiarton, were followed by the address of the President, emphasizing the need of more of the grace of liberality towards our

women's work. The report of the Director shewed the number of Circles 16, with a membership of 181. The offering to Foreign Missions \$126.30, a slight decrease from last year. 71 copies of the LINK are taken, 8 Mission Bands are now enrolled with a total membership of 181. Band work has had wonderful success during the year, and thanks to the love, patience and faithfulness of the Band leaders, each member is being trained to take some part in the work. The offering from Bands is \$57.80 including one Baby Band offering to Bolivia. An address by Rev. L. F. Kipp, of Strathavon, emphasized the adaptation of the gospel to India's needs under the following heads. "Take the gospel" because Jesus says go—as an expression of love, both to Jesus and to our fellowmen—because it is the only cure for sin? the only cure for India's ills. A beautiful, clear and interesting presentation of our Home Mission work, was given by Miss Norton, of Toronto. The answers to "question drawer" by Rev. J. E. Chute, were much appreciated and much useful information received. The ladies of Wiarton, Durham and Paisley brightened the session with sweet music. An offering of \$5.05 was received. M. E. WALKER, Director.

OTTAWA—The sixteenth annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circles of the Ottawa Baptist Association, was held at Vanleek Hill, Thursday, June 16th, 1904.

The morning session was held at the residence of Mr. J. R. McLaurin. A much larger number than usual assembled at this meeting. Mrs. D. McLaurin presided in the absence of Mrs. H. J. Metcalfe, President. After devotional exercises the election of officers was proceeded with—President, Mrs. H. J. Metcalfe; Directress, Mrs. D. McLaurin; Sec'y.-Treasurer, Mrs. George L. Black; Sec'y. Bands, Miss C. McGibbon. A very interesting letter and greetings from the Foreign Mission Board, was read by Mrs. Kenneth McDonald. Question drawer, conducted by Mrs. Sheldon, of Cornwall, and the discussions that followed were helpful to all present. Our denominational papers, LINK and *Visitor*, were ably represented by Mrs. McDonald.

The afternoon session was opened at two o'clock, Mrs. D. McLaurin in the chair. After devotional exercises Mrs. Haviland, of Vanleek Hill, welcomed the delegates, expressing the desire that they might enjoy the hospitality offered and that a blessing might rest on the gathering. Mrs. Watson, of Dalesville, ably responded. Reports of Circles by the Directors were very encouraging. Two new Circles were organized during the year and two re-organized. Our Circles number twenty-eight, ten more than last year. One of the pleasing features was that a report had been sent from every Circle. Miss Murray's visit to the Circles had cheered and helped them in their work. Number of members in Circles, six hundred and twenty-



six; amount raised during the year \$1202.11, an increase over last year of \$189.70. Miss C. McGibbon presented the report of Mission Bands. The sum raised during the year by the Bands, \$136.00, six dollars less than last year. We were pleased to recognise in our midst Dr. Anderson, of Vankleek Hill, one of God's noblest warriors. Rev. Mr. Rogers, of Billerica, who represented Home Missions, gave a short sketch of the work done on the three fields of which he is pastor. Rev. J. R. Stillwell, returned missionary, gave an address on "The needs of the Telugu, the superstition of the people and the life of our native Christians." Miss Jean McLaurin spoke on behalf of Moulton College, the influence of the college on the lives of the young ladies. Mrs. Parsons spoke on the work of the Women's Circle and Bands of Eastern Ontario and Quebec. She said that if everyone did their duty there would be no need of Circles, nor yet of Superintendents of Home and Foreign Missions. The foundation of all Christian work has been laid. "Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid." On this foundation we must build, and in building we need a frame-work. In this frame we need four good strong timbers, for these four square timbers we shall require faith, work, love, duty and these must not be built in a careless fashion without system, but morticed and fastened together firmly with prayer and we must show our faith by our works. It is impossible to be a good Home Mission worker and not take an interest in other missions. To this frame we can add on all the planks we like, Bolivia, Northwest, India, etc., but we must have the home church as a source of income. Collection was taken which amounted to \$9.50.

SOPHIA BLACK, Director.

NORTHERN.—The annual meeting of the Circles and Bands was held at Parry Sound, June 26, 1904. The afternoon was devoted to business, also Circle and Band reports were read. On the whole these were encouraging and helpful and gave items of interest to those engaged in Circle work. In the evening Rev. L. Bingham, of Burks Falls, gave an address on "Home Missions," setting forth the extent of the work and the great need of workers. Rev. P. K. Dayfoot, of Orillia, addressed the meeting on "Foreign Missions." He referred to many noble men and women who had gone forth in the name of the Lord to win precious souls from darkness to light. "Ask and it shall be given you."

R. CUMMER, Director.

TORONTO.—The Mission Circles and Bands of the Toronto Association met in Parliament Street Church on June 8th, at ten o'clock, Mrs. T. M. Harris presiding. The attendance was numerically large and the meeting most interesting. The meeting was opened by singing, after which Mrs. Jones read the Scriptures and Mrs. Erd offered prayer. Miss Jones, of Parliament

St. Church, in a few well-chosen words, gave the ladies a very cordial welcome. The President, Mrs. Harris, replied, giving also a very helpful Bible-reading on the necessity of putting absolute dependence upon God in our work. Mrs. McGillicuddy brought greetings from the General Association, after which the roll was called. The twenty-three Circles were represented by two hundred delegates. The report read by the Director showed an increase over last year from all sources of \$846.36. The amount received for Home Missions being \$1,421.07; for Foreign, \$2,361.17; for other objects, \$447.33, making a total of \$4,229.57. Of this amount the Bands contributed \$336.29. Mrs. W. H. Porter spoke in behalf of THE LINK, which has 468 subscribers in our Association. The cause of *The Visitor*, which has 729 subscribers, was ably presented by Mrs. Lillie. Mrs. Dancy gave a very comprehensive report of the Department of Literature which showed an increase in the sales. Mrs. Wells, who presented the claims of Moulton College, gave a very interesting description of a day's work in the College. Mrs. T. M. Harris and Mrs. J. N. Shenstone were re-elected President and Director. Mrs. Cowser, of Brantford, spoke of three of the peoples of the North-West among whom we have missionaries—the Indians, numbering 22,000, with two missionaries on three stations; the Scandinavians, numbering 40,000, with eight missionaries, and the Galicians. These latter come from Austro-Hungary, and speak Little Russian. The great need of this field is a live young Canadian Baptist who will learn the language and supervise the entire field. Mrs. Chute, in an interesting and forceful manner, gave a soul-stirring address on Medical Missions in India. She spoke of the great need there is for an associate medical missionary, the work being quite beyond the strength of one individual, hundreds coming for treatment every week with most difficult cases, requiring the exercise of great judgment and skill, of which she has to take the sole responsibility, there being no one within hundreds of miles with whom she can consult. The duet given by Misses Bryce and Ferguson was much enjoyed. Mrs. Firstbrook closed the meeting with prayer. The collection amounted to \$28.10.

E. H. SHENSTONE, Director.

#### EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

THE annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circles took place in Sawyerville Baptist church on the afternoon of Tuesday, June 14th. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. J. B. Parker, Dixville. On behalf of the Sawyerville Circle Mrs. Philip gave an address of welcome to which Miss Chandler responded. Reports of Circles and Bands were read by Miss I. Thornton Barnston and Miss Edith Ward, Coaticook. The report of the Foreign Mission Board was prepared and read by Mrs. Willard Ayre. Miss L. Parker, Coati-

cook, presented Mrs. Parson's report of the Home Mission Board. After a vocal solo by Miss Mary Sutton, a paper was read by Miss Robinson on "Missions," followed by an address by Mrs. J. B. Williams on "Mission Band Work." A resolution was then passed by the association, of thankfulness to God for the recovery from a recent severe illness of Mrs. Claxton, President F. M. Board, and of appreciation of her long and arduous labours in the cause of Missions.

The evening session opened with devotional exercises led by Rev. J. H. Hunter, M.A. Miss A. H. C. Stewart, of Montreal, gave an admirable address on "Women's Work," and the Rev. A. C. Priest, of India, on "Foreign Missions." The attendance at both sessions was good. The collection amounted to \$8.50 to be equally divided between Home and Foreign Missions. The officers for the ensuing year are—President, Miss Chandler; Vice-President, Mrs. Webb; Sec'y.-Treasurer, Mrs. Thornton. For the year 1903-1904, 14 Circles and 4 Bands reported. The total amount contributed by Circles and Missions is \$845.77; total amount collected by Circles and Bands, \$992.31.

#### EASTERN CONVENTION NOTICES.

**T**HE Annual Convention of the Women's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of Eastern Ontario and Québec will be held in the Westmount Baptist Church, Montreal, on Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 4th and 5th, 1904. Tuesday will be Foreign Mission Day, and a union platform meeting will be held the same evening, at which it is hoped that Dr. Pearl Chute will be present and give an address on the work in India.

#### DELEGATES.

Circles are requested to appoint delegates according to the number of their membership as follows:—For membership of 20 or less, 2 delegates; for each additional 20, 1 delegate. These delegates must be full members of the Society, that is either life-members or contributors of at least one dollar a year.

Each Band has the right to send one delegate over 15 years of age.

#### CERTIFICATES.

Arrangements have been made with the railroads in order that if 50 or more delegates are present, holding standard certificates, return fare may be had for one third of the one way first-class fare.

Delegates must purchase first-class full rate one-way tickets and obtain certificates from agent at starting point.

Tickets are only good if purchased not more than three days before the Convention and are good for three days after adjournment.

#### BILLETING.

All delegates requiring entertainment will kindly send their names at an early date to Mrs.

Arthur Scott, 466 Cote St. Antoine Road, Westmount, Montreal.

The Westmount ladies are making arrangements for the welfare of the delegates, and it is hoped that a large number will be present so that all may be benefitted by the interchange of thoughts and ideas. It is especially requested that all the delegates will make a point of being in their places at the prayer services, which precede the sessions, for the success of Convention depends in a great measure upon the spirit of these services.

ETHEL CLAXTON AYER,  
Cor. Sec.

As the books of the Society close on Sept. 30th, Treasurers of Circles are requested to send on all funds before that date, to Mrs. W. G. Rickert, 30 Staynor Ave., Westmount, Montreal.

PROGRAMME OF THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W. B. F. M. S. OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

TUESDAY, OCT. 4TH., 1904.

#### Morning Session.

- 9.30—Prayer and Praise Service, Miss Rue Parker, Coaticook.
- 10.00—Hymn.  
Introduction of Pages and Convention Reporter.
- 10.15—Address of Welcome, Mrs. Rickert, Westmount.  
Reply.  
Roll Call of Circles and Bands.  
President's Address, Mrs. Claxton, Westmount.
- 10.45—Minutes of last Annual Meeting.  
Unfinished Business.
- 11.00—Report of Recording Secretary, Miss E. M. Crossley.  
Hymn.  
THE CANADIAN MISSIONARY LINK, Miss Edith Bentley, Montreal.
- 11.30—Election of Officers and Executive Board, appointment of committees on appropriations and resolutions.
- 12.00—Hymn. Adjournment.
- Afternoon Session.*
- 2.00—Prayer Service, Mrs. Dick, Montreal.
- 2.30—Hymn.  
Report of Cor. Sec'y., Mrs. H. Hibbard Ayer.
- 3.00—Report of Treasurer, Mrs. W. G. Rickert. Report of Committees on appropriations.
- 3.15—Reports of Associational Directresses:—Eastern, Mrs. P. M. Chandler, Coaticook; Canada Central, Mrs. Kellock, Perth; Ottawa, Mrs. D. McLaurin, Osgoode Collection.  
Address, "Intemperance in India," Mrs. Hyslop, Asbestos Mines, P. Q.  
Discussion.
- 4.30—Solo, Mrs. Emett, Brockville.  
Address, "Christian Stewardship," Mrs. P. I. McEwen.
- 5.00—Hymn. Adjournment.

**THE WOMEN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO (WEST.)**

*Receipts from June 16th, 1904, to July 15th, 1904, inclusive.*

**GENERAL ACCOUNT.**

FROM CIRCLES.—Brooklin, \$3.50; Parry Sound, \$3.50; Fullarton, (for bungalow), \$10.50; Port Hope, (for bungalow), \$15; Toronto, Jarvis St., (37 cts. add Thank-offering), \$24.83; Toronto Junction, \$4.50; Waterford, 18.25; North Bruce, \$3.30; Sarnia, \$7.65; London South, \$4; Toronto, Walmer Rd., \$19.30; Toronto, Bloor St., (\$6 special), \$35.55; Toronto, Bloor St., for bungalow, \$3; Hespler, \$5.60; Peterboro, Murray St., \$8.85; Toronto, Dovercourt Rd., \$5.22; Burk's Falls, \$5; Georgetown, \$4.50; Toronto, Kenilworth Ave., \$5.45; London, Maitland St., \$2.30; Second Markham, \$5; Durham, for bungalow, \$1; Colchester, (\$1.10 for bungalow), \$5.35; Burgessville, \$4.35; Peterboro', Murray St., (to make Mrs. J. Bastow, a Life-member) \$25; Kenilworth, for Bungalow, \$8; Toronto, Jarvis St., special for two Bible-women, \$50; King, Bethel, (\$8 for bungalow), \$13; Hamilton Victoria Ave., \$3.35; London, Adelaide St., (\$9 Thank-offering), \$22.80; Barrie, \$6.60; Tyne-side, for bungalow, \$2; Cramahe, (\$3.25 for bungalow), \$6.25; Ailsa Craig, (\$4.25 special), \$7; Toronto, Elin M. C., (for leper "Venkamma"), \$4; Petrolia, \$6.25; Glammis, for bungalow, \$1.70; Wilkesport, \$2.35; Toronto, Ossington Ave., \$5; Kenilworth, \$4.70; Guelph, First Ch. (50 cts. add. for bungalow), \$7.48; Arkona, \$2.50; Atwood, (\$2.05 for bungalow), \$4.05; Toronto, Western \$9.60; Claremont, \$10; Scotland, \$2.60; Salford, \$5.80; Sparta, \$3.76; Listowel, \$1.70; Hartford, \$2.50; Toronto, Memorial, add for bungalow, 85 cents; Brampton, for bungalow, \$5. Total, \$430.13.

FROM BANDS.—Brooklin, \$6; Walkerton, for Bolivia, \$7.46; Aurora, \$3; Fullarton, for bungalow, \$2; Hamilton, Herkimer St., to make Mrs. J. Manktelow a Life-member, \$10; East Toronto, for "Nakka Yakob," \$7; Parry Sound, \$3; New Sarum, \$2; Wilkesport, for Bible-woman "Miriam B.," \$25; Caistor, \$3; Peterboro', Murray St., (\$9.35 for bungalow), \$12.25; Listowel, \$3. Total, \$83.71.

FROM SUNDRIES.—Norfolk Asso. Coll., \$6.90; Guelph Asso. Coll., \$5.22; Middlesex and Lambton Asso. Coll., \$6.35; Northern Asso. Coll., \$2.60; Elgin Asso. Coll., \$5.09; Owen Sound Asso. Coll., \$2.45; Peterboro' Asso. Coll., \$2.50; Whitby and Lindsay Asso. Coll., \$5.50; M. A. M. (per Miss Alexander) for bungalow, \$3; Mrs. G. Lutz, for lepers, \$5; Mrs. T. Boon, for lepers, \$5; Miss M. Boon, for lepers, \$5; Mrs. Wm. Tait, \$2.50; Investment, Miss Nellie Davies' gift, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Brown, for Bible-woman, \$5; Mrs. Geo. Burke, \$5. Total, \$77.11.

DISBURSEMENTS.—By General Treasurer—On regular estimates, \$619.67. *Extras*—for lepers, \$15; for Bolivia, from Walkerton M. B. \$7.46. Total, \$642.13.

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.—By postage for Miss Buchan, \$3; Director's expenses, Northern Assoc., \$1; Director's expenses, Peterboro' Assoc., \$1.50. Total, \$5.50. Total receipts during the month, - - - \$590 95 Total disbursements during the month, - - - 647 63

**"MEDICAL LADY" FUND.**

Receipts.—Peterboro' Murray St. M. C. \$25 00  
Tupperville Union M. C. - - - 6 25

Total, - - - - \$31 25

Disbursement.—By General Treasurer for Dr. Gertrude Hulet - - - - - \$41 66

**GENERAL ACCOUNT.**

Total receipts since Oct. 21, 1903 - - \$7,114 53  
Total disbursements since Oct. 21, 1903 7,257 23

**"MEDICAL LADY" FUND.**

Total receipts since Oct. 21, 1903 - - \$218 95  
Total disbursements since Oct. 21, 1903 - \$375 02

*Receipts from July 16th, 1904, to Aug. 15th, 1904, inclusive.*

**GENERAL ACCOUNT.**

FROM CIRCLES.—Hamilton, James St., \$8.65; Shedden, for bungalow, \$3.00; Wingham, \$2.00; Brantford, Calvary (\$4.00 special) \$13.00; Glammis, \$3.00; Mount Forest, (\$7.75 for bungalow) \$14.57; Leamington, \$4.00; Brantford, Park, \$5.00; Port Hope, \$10.00; Port Colborne, (\$5.50 for bungalow), \$8.75; York Mills, \$3.05; Aylmer, (\$21.00 towards Life-membership), \$25.65; Aylmer, for bungalow, \$71.15; St. George, (\$4.00 for bungalow), \$6.00; Woodstock, First Ch., \$13.00; Woodstock, Oxford St., \$5.00; Toronto, Parliament St., (\$3.50 for bungalow), \$9.75; Collingwood, (\$2.80 Thank-offering), \$4.80; Paisley, \$2.40; Delhi, (\$10.25 for bungalow), \$11.75; Toronto, Beverley St., \$6.60; Ingersoll, \$5.00; Toronto, Ossington Ave., for bungalow, \$3.00; Cheltenham (\$12.00 for Rebecca, \$20.00 for bungalow), \$32.00; St. Thomas, Centre St., (\$1.00 for bungalow) \$12.78; Gladstone, (\$8.00 to complete Life-membership for Mrs. Dugald Brown), (\$2.71 for bungalow), \$22.36; Brantford, First, (for Miss McLeod), \$100.00; Palmerston, for bungalow, \$4.00; Hamilton, Wentworth St., \$4.00; Belleville, for bungalow, \$6.00; Toronto, Immanuel, \$5.50; St. Marys, \$1.00; Elderslie, \$7.00; Campbellford, \$2.30. Total \$436.06.

FROM BANDS.—Burk's Falls, for Elpe Marv, \$17.00; Hamilton, Wentworth St., for Kodali Sarah, \$7.00; St. George, for Surla Kanamma, \$8.50; Meaford, \$2.50; Townsend Centre, for bungalow, \$5.00; Toronto, Ossington Ave., for bungalow, \$2.00; Burgessville, \$5.00; Belleville, Timpany M. B., for bungalow, \$2.00; Junior, M. B., for bungalow \$1.00. Total, \$50.00.

FROM SUNDRIES.—Miss Lizzie Lee Pine, for Polsipalli Atchayya, \$12.00.

DISBURSEMENTS.—By General Treasurer—On estimates, regular and special \$694.67. *Extras*—(for leper woman) Elin M. C., \$4; for "Yadidi Benjamin" from Christie St. M. B. \$25. Total, \$623.67.

Total receipts for the month - - - - \$495 76  
Total disbursements for the month - - - 623 67

**"MEDICAL LADY" FUND.**

Receipt—St. George M.C. - - - - \$ 4 00  
Disbursement—By General Treasurer for Dr. Gertrude Hulet - - - - \$41 66

**GENERAL ACCOUNT.**

Total receipts since Oct. 21, 1903 - - \$7,612 59  
Total disbursements since Oct. 21, 1903 \$7,880 90

**"MEDICAL LADY" FUND.**

Total receipts since Oct. 21, 1903 - - \$222 95  
Total disbursements since Oct. 21, 1903 - 416 68

EVA NASMITH,  
*Treasurer pro tem.*

14 Maitland St., Toronto.

**Special Notice to Circles and Bands.**—The Treasurers of Circles and Bands are reminded that their books should close for the Convention Year on October 15th. The amount then on hand for Foreign Missions should be forwarded to me at once, as my books only remain open until the 20th

of October. All contributors are therefore urged to make their payments promptly, as funds are needed.

EVA NASMITH,

Treasurer W.B.F.M. Society of Ontario (West.)

14 Maitland St., Toronto.

## Youths' Department.

### ALPHABETICAL MISSION EXERCISE.

*Leader*—"What was Christ's last command?"

*Children* (in concert)—"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

*Leader*—"What was Christ's last promise?"

*Children*—"Lo, I am with you always."

A stands for "All the world"  
Of which our Saviour spake;  
B for the blessed Bible  
We to the world must take.

C stands for all us Children  
Who know of Christ the Lord;  
D is for all the Doers  
Of His most blessed word.

E stands for Everybody  
And for Anybody as well;  
F for Forgetful hearers  
Who of God's love ne'er tell.

G stands for God our Father,  
Who made and keeps us all;  
H for His Holy Spirit  
He gives to those who call.

I stands for Idols many,  
False gods that cannot hear;  
J for God's dear Son, Jesus,  
Our Friend, who is always near.

K stands for all the Knowledge  
Stored up in God's own book;  
L for God's wondrous Light and Love,  
Found there by all who look.

M stands for heathen Millions,  
Who know not of the Lord;  
N is for Now, the Saviour's time  
For teaching them His word.

O stands for Our own paper,  
Which tells of children's need;  
P for the Pennies we all give,  
If we love Christ indeed.

R stands for all those Ready  
Our Lord's commands to obey;  
S is for those too Selfish  
To give and work and pray.

T stands for Toils and Trials  
Which our dear Lord did bear;  
U is for Up in heaven—  
He's waiting for us there.

V's for the loving Voice we hear,  
"I'm with you all the days!"  
W for the Work He bids us do  
That all His name may praise.

Y stands for You and M for me  
To whom these words he says;  
Z is the Zeal He bids us show  
For Him who for us prays.

—Over Land and Sea.

### GIVING THE BEST TO GOD.

Not long ago I was spending a few days in the home of a prominent personage. A bright little fellow of five made the hours pass most delightfully, but with the coming of Sunday, the Lord's day, there came also to me a deeper insight into the child's character.

Two small boxes stood upon a shelf, and these boxes belonged to him; one was for his own savings, the other one held "the tenth" that was for the Lord's work.

At the close of each day the little fellow carefully took from his allowance the tenth and placed it in the Lord's box; but often as he counted the money he would realize how much more he had in his own box than was contained in the other, and would say; "Why that is not enough for the Lord. I must give him some of mine," and the pennies and nickles and dimes would be transferred to the other box, never to be returned.

One day he found that he had sufficient small change in his own box to make a dollar, and accordingly his father gave him in return for it a bright silver dollar. The child's face fairly glowed with joy; the dollar was his—all his own! "Nobody will ever get this dollar," he cried, dancing about the room.

"Nobody in the whole wide world."

"You had better let me put it in the bank for you," said papa.

"No, sir; no, sir! I'm not going to let anybody have it. I'm just going to give it, every bit of it, to the Lord; it is too good for anybody else!" And true to his word, he placed the shining dollar in the Lord's treasury.

The child's words touched me deeply. Not only the tenth, but the best that he had remaining—that which was too precious to put in other hands—must be given to the Lord.—Edith Smith Davis, in the *Missionary Messenger*.

# W. B. M. U.

## Of The Maritime Provinces.

Communications for this Department should be addressed to Mrs. J. I. Bates, Amherst, N.S.

MOTTO FOR THE YEAR: "WORKERS TOGETHER WITH HIM."

PRAYER TOPIC FOR SEPTEMBER.—*The Savara Work. That Mr. and Mrs. Glendenning may be encouraged by seeing a large number of Savaras brought to Christ. Thanksgiving unto the Lord for His Goodness and for His wonderful manifestations to us His people.*

The W.B.M.U. Department for October will be devoted exclusively to proceedings of the Convention held in Halifax, August 17th and 18th. This work is in the hands of two young ladies, whose ability and faithfulness, will ensure a report of great value to our readers. Readers of the column conducted by Mrs. Manning in "*Messenger and Visitor*" will rejoice in the manifestation of the Spirit's presence at Chicacole. Let not prayer be restrained among us that the work may prosper exceedingly. The sketch by Mrs. Marse in this issue will be read with thanksgiving and humility. Rev. H. T. Corey tells something of the work accomplished in India through Mrs. Hartley's museum.

**T**OURING INCIDENTS.—It has been often said that touring is the cream of mission work in the deep true joy that rises in the missionary's heart as he realizes the privilege of telling of Jesus to the lost. I think this is true. It is "on tour" that we get the firmest grip upon our helpers, for our lives are more closely associated and we are better able to exchange experiences and study God's word together than in the more formal life at the station. Here, too, we are brought face to face with the terrible realities of heathenism, and we need the wisdom that cometh from above to know how to grapple with the subtle questions of the metaphysical Brahmin or other educated classes on the one hand, and the ignorant—stupidity of those who know nothing about and care nothing for the religion of Jesus; on the other almost all our Maritime missionaries attended the Conference in Cocanada in January. We all had a royally good time socially and spiritually. To see fifty Canadian Baptist missionaries, gathered together to plan for the extension of God's kingdom, was enough to stir the pulse of patriotism, as well as kindle the flame of religious enthusiasm. Many felt that the union, that has existed on the field all these years, should be strengthened at home, and steps were taken looking towards the organic union of the Baptists of Canada in Mission Work. After our return from Cocanada I went to Chipurupalle, one of our out-stations for a six weeks' tour. It had been years since any length of time had been given to that town by a missionary. Day after day, week in and week out—we laboured

early and late to bring men and women to a saving knowledge of Jesus. We tried to preach Christ-crucified, but like Paul of old, we found it "to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks, foolishness." Soon after our coming to the town we were visited by a number of lads from eight to eighteen, requesting us to teach them. One of the remarkable things of the whole tour was the way in which those boys kept coming day after day at three o'clock, to hear the bible stories. We tried no means to draw them except telling, oh so earnestly and longingly, the love of Jesus and their need of a Saviour. Not only did they come to the bungalow, but later in the afternoon or evening, when we went to the different streets of the town, the eager smiling faces of the same lads nearly always greeted us as they stood half-timidly on the edge of the crowd drinking in the words we uttered, until they could tell quite as well as the average boy at home the tale of the cross, and why Jesus came to die. Three boys were especially interested, and the questions they asked would puzzle many a theologian.

I had been at Chipurupalle about four weeks alone with my helpers when Mr. and Miss Sanford and Mr. Freeman came out to help and cheer us in our work, and to superintend the repairing of the Mission buildings. Just near the bungalow, where we were staying, is a beautiful grove. When the tents were all pitched and everything was in running order, we formed quite a colony of Christians in the midst of the heathen surroundings.

One beautiful moonlight night we all went to one of the large streets of the town to preach.

We were quite a company in ourselves—missionaries, preachers, biblewomen and Christian servants—as the sweet Christian airs, floated out on the evening breeze. A crowd of about a hundred people collected about us. While we were still singing, we heard in a distance the sound of the native drums and the tinkling of Indian music. Nearer and nearer they came, and soon a car borne on the shoulders of the *devout worshippers* came into view. Within was an idol in the shape of a calf, and before it men and women, offering gifts of flowers and rice were prostrating themselves.

The din of their worship was drowning our service of song. What should we do? Would the crowd leave us? We feared so—but, with hearts uplifted in prayer, and the very tingle of battles in our veins, we played the little organ, till it almost seemed to throb with life, while every Christian in the little company lifted up his voice in song. Round and round us circled the crowd while the crowd, amazed that we failed to give up and go home conquered, remained to see who could win. Gradually the idolaters, despairing of tiring us, gave up and left us. The sounds grew fainter and fainter as the idol was borne farther and farther away, until at last we could sing in gentler tones and the people could hear the words of the old hymn:

"Follow, follow, I will follow Jesus,  
Anywhere, everywhere, I will follow Him."

Breathless but conquerors through the help of our God, we ceased singing and Mr. Sanford began pleading with our Father for life and light and love to flow into the hearts of these Hindoos, who even in their idol worship, were acknowledging the need of the soul for communion with its maker, and in their blindness were groping after Him. Later, Mr. Sanford spoke in tones of warning and pleading, warning them of the *awfulness* of sin, and urging upon them the *love* of God as revealed in Christ Jesus. Others followed, and the crowd, awed by the opening incidents, and kept, by some power greater than human, from following the light, music and colour of the idol train, listened quietly, almost reverently, to the speakers for over an hour.

If we could only know that God spoke to the hearts of the people as the words reached their ears! But we must wait for results much as we long to see souls making decisions for God. Results are with God—ours is to serve with large hope and strong faith and earnest per-

sistent prayer, resting on the promises of God for results.

"We may not live to see the day,  
But earth shall glisten in the ray  
Of the good time coming."

M. HELENA BLACKADAI,  
Vizianagram Iant,

"Longcroft" India.  
Kodiakgual, India, June, 1904.

#### HIS CHILDREN.

Some who used to read "Sights and Sounds in India" may remember of the conversion of our Telugu munshi (teacher). Mr. Morse wrote of him as the "dead munshi" because for three years before his conversion, we believed him dead.

His wife, who did not oppose his becoming a Christian (because as a little girl in Mrs. Churchill's school she had learned of Jesus and believed that the gospel taught there was true) has since been converted. She is now one with her husband in his endeavour to bring the knowledge of Jesus to his fellowmen.

I was much touched in reading in a recent letter from Miss Newcombe, something of what they are enduring, because they are Christians.

Some time ago they went to a heathen town, about twenty miles from Bimlipatam, to tell the Gospel story there.

Their children were not allowed to attend the public school. The dhobi (washerman) will not wash their clothes.

The only water accessible to them is a very muddy kind which has to be clarified with a kind of nut used for that purpose, then boiled and strained.

Yet in the midst of all this persecution Miss Newcombe writes:—"he has not said a single word about leaving the place and returning to his home in Bimlipatam, and seems to take all inconveniences in the right spirit."

I am glad that that verse in the Bible "Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake, for their's is the kingdom of heaven."

Wolfville, N.S.

L. P. MORSE.

#### THE HARTLEY SCHOOL AT PARLAKIMEDI.

SOME six years ago Mrs. Col. Hartley, of East Florenceville, N.B., wrote in a letter in which she gave us some account of her museum, and of the work she was doing for missions, and said that her heart was going out to the children of that great country and that she

would like to support a teacher in order that at least a few of them might have an opportunity of learning the truth and if possible be lead to the Saviour. Since that time she has raised by means of her museum and in other ways \$40.00 annually, which she has sent to me in India for the support of the school, which was opened in one of the most neglected parts of Paralakimedi. At first there were not more than five or six in attendance. During the first year the number on the register never rose to more than a dozen and these were very irregular at class. The parents were ignorant and took but little interest in the education of their children.

At the beginning of the second year another teacher was put in charge. He was an excellent young man and took every pains with his work, as a result the number soon increased to twenty-five and last year there were forty-five on the roll and we were compelled to have a second teacher for part of the year. The school was put under government inspection. The results have been good in that about eighty per cent. of the children successfully have passed the examinations, eight or ten are the children of Christian parents. Each week the golden texts of the Sunday School lesson is memorized by the whole school. The life of Christ, New and Old Testament stories, together with Christian hymns are taught, sometimes each day are given to this work. From this school about twenty heathen children regularly attend the Sunday School in the chapel. Largely through the efforts of the teacher, four from among the parents of the children have been baptized, and a number of others have acknowledged their faith in Christ, and have discontinued idolatry.

The Lord has blessed the efforts, honoured the faith and heard the progress of this devoted Christian woman. May others be stimulated to increased activity.

H. Y. COREY.

W. B. M. U. QUARTERLY STATEMENT,  
JULY 31ST., 1904.

Received from W.M.A.S.—				
Nova Scotia.....	\$2091	54	\$867	80
New Brunswick.....	804	94	264	56
P. E. Island.....	177	47	68	96
Misson Band Treas....	1069	29	343	11
Annual Reports.....				1412
Tidings.....				9
Leaflets.....				18
Donations.....				6
Asso. and spec. coll....				29
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Paid Treas. F. M. Board.....	\$2168	75
" " N. W. Missions.....	560	00
" " Indian Work.....	160	00
" " G. L. Mission.....	275	00
" " H. M., N. S. and P. E. I.....	470	00
" " " New Brunswick.....	265	00
" Printing Tidings and Leaflets.....	23	75
" " Blank Forms.....	3	50
" Prov. Sec. New Brunswick.....	4	00
" " " P. E. Island.....	8	11
" " " Nova Scotia.....	7	11
" Drafts, discounts, postage.....	6	12

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MARY SMITH,

Treas. W. B. M. U.

Amherst, P.O., B. 513.

SATISFIED.

**H**AVE you ever noticed how few of the people we meet day by day are really satisfied?

We walk along a crowded street and look in vain for happy faces. Then we hear scraps of conversation as we pass "If I only had" this or that, or "If I only were in his or her place, I should be perfectly happy." It reminds me of two children gathering shells by the seashore. The little girl quickly filled her basket, but the boy wandered on, passing such beautiful shells on either side. His sister asked him why he did not pick them up.

"I know they are pretty, so pretty," said Will.

"But then I am looking for prettier still!"

So we, children of a larger growth, often pass by our present blessings in the vain wish for riches or honors bestowed on somebody else.

If we would but remember the lot of our sisters in heathen lands and contrast their sad lives with ours, we would be ready to take the colored auntie's advice "Count your mercies, chile, count you mercies!"

Recent accounts of work done by lady missionaries in the zenanas of India have filled my heart with thankfulness for birth in a Christian land. While men in India are being educated, even graduating with honors from the universities, their wives do not know a single letter of the alphabet. A Hindu recently told a missionary that he could beat and abuse his wife as much as he pleased so long as she knew of no better lot, but to educate her would be like giving wings to a bird. She would no longer willingly be the slave of her husband.

Even in these zenanas there are degrees of misery. See the new-comer, that little girl-wife of six or eight years, cowering in the corner afraid of being beaten for some trifling offence

by her cruel mother-in-law. Or think of the many thousand child-widows, robbed of all their jewels, their beautiful hair shaved from their heads, clothed in the coarsest garments, and made to eat only one scant meal a day; never to expect a kind word, or even a smile from a more favored sister lest the curse of widowhood should fall upon her also. But even these temporal sufferings could be endured if the restless hearts had found rest in their Creator. Alas! These little sisters of ours, never heard the loving Saviour's words, "Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The missionaries visit the dreary zenanas to carry the Gospel message, which if believed will give a peace to these aching hearts which no outward change of circumstances can.

A missionary tells us of one old woman who wanted to learn to read that she might see for herself the precious text, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." But her mind, so long unused, was unequal to the effort. So after many attempts she gave it up, saying, "At least let me touch the verse that means so much to me. Put my finger on it that I may touch every word!"

Another old woman hid this text in her heart as her most precious possession, repeating over and over again the wonderful words "God loves me! God loves me!" Then she exclaimed "I have worshipped idols all my life in fear of their curses on me. I have made many vows and *poojahs*, but these gods were always angry with me. The priests said more prayers were needed, more offerings, more sacrifices. Now you tell me of a God who loves me," and her whole heart was full of love for the One who had so loved her. Bitter trial and persecutions came to her lot. She was banished from her home and loved ones, but bore it all in meekness, saying, "Jesus Christ shed His blood for me."

Do you know what it means for one of these women to come out from heathenism, and give up all for Christ? She is counted as dead, her funeral ceremony is held, and her nearest relations will no longer recognize her. Sometimes her children are taken away from her, or taught to despise the mother who bore them. These women are tied up in one corner of the home, kept from food and drink which is shown to them, but placed just beyond their reach until the craving for them seems more than human nature can endure. Or a helpless infant, who needs its mother's care, is brought within her sight that the pitiful cries of her child for the help which she only can give may make her

promise to give up the new religion of Jesus Christ, and once more worship the gods of her fathers.

Another true story of a woman who lay dying in one of India's huts. She had learned to read and love God's Word as her dearest treasure. The priest came to give her a dying powder without which her friends told her she would be doomed to endless misery. She refused to take it, and like the poor woman who crept through the crown to touch the hem of Christ's garment, she cried, "I have touched Him!" and placing the Bible under her head she entered into life.

Perhaps you will tell me that these were all converts from heathenism who knew nothing of civilized life or its necessities for enjoyment. Well, go with me up into the Himalaya mountains and there we shall see a cultured, refined, educated American woman who is spending her life among the most loathsome lepers, bending over them and with her own hands binding up their dreadful wounds while she whispers sweet words of the Great Physician who alone can cure sin-sick souls. In some unknown manner she herself contracted the dreadful disease and must live and die among these unclean outcasts. And is Mary Reed satisfied with her lot? When asked this question she quoted a favorite hymn:

"No chance has brought this ill to me,  
'Tis God's sweet will, so let it be!  
He seeth what I cannot see.

"There is a needs-be for each pain,  
And Christ will one day make it plain  
That earthly loss is heavenly gain."

We know that Mary Reed is only one of a host of earnest, consecrated women who are glad to spend and be spent for the Master in the lowliest service that He may be glorified.

"I'd rather be the least of them  
Who are the Lord's alone,  
Then wear a royal diadem  
Or sit upon a throne."

Then if we look forward to the future life we can say as David did "I shall be satisfied when I awake in His likeness." When these days of restlessness and striving against sin are over; when we are clothed in the spotless robe of Christ's righteousness, when we see the King in His beauty, face to face; when Christ shall present us faultless, before His Father's presence with exceeding joy, without spot or blemish, accepted in the beloved and welcomed to all the joys of an eternity with Him, we shall be satisfied, "It doth not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when He shall appear we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is."

But as we rejoice in our own salvation in this Christian land with all its blessed privileges, let our loving sympathy, our prayers and our offerings be given to our sisters in heathen lands whose lives are so barren of all that makes ours so glad. "Freely ye have received, freely give."

SISTER BELLE.

Ottawa, June, 1904.