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That Story of Old.

"I think when I read that sweet story of old"
Of the little ones homeless to-day,
Who kneel by the roadside to whisper their prayers
On the Serbian hills far away.

They pillow their heads on the battle-torn ground
When the pale stars appear in the sky;
And murmur "good night" while the tears wet their cheeks
And only the big guns reply!

"I think when I read that sweet story of old"
Of the Master who gave the decree—
Offend one of these and 'twere better that you
Were drowned in the depths of the sea."

And how will the kingdoms make answer to Him
For the sorrow of each little one;
And how will they answer the cry of the world
When the fury of battle is done!

—Alma Pendexter Hayden—Sel.

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THE FOREIGN MAIL BOX.

THE ANGLO-INDIANS AND OUR SCHOOL.

(From a Report.)

There are over 10,000 Anglo-Indian children of school-going age not attending school. If these children grow up in the squalor of the bazaars, with no mental, moral or religious training, what chance can they have? They will become a disgrace to the English-speaking people in India and a hindrance to the evangelization of the Indians, instead of a help. It is very hard for those of us who know about them to pass by these neighbors in distress.

There are many from this community who are doing regular mission work. We have two in Cocanada—Miss Baskerville's helpers. There are two Mission Societies which engage Anglo-Indians on the same footing as Europeans. Dr. Ottmann, of Berhampore, an Anglo-Indian lady missionary under the English Baptist Board, visited us this year and addressed meetings, both for the Telugus and the English-speaking people.

The educational problem is a hard one for the Anglo-Indian to solve. He cannot live as cheaply as the Indian. His food costs more; his clothes cost more, and he must have more air-space in the house in which he lives, and, in consequence, pay higher rents. If he has to support a family he must have a good education in order to secure a position which will yield him sufficient salary. One reason why it is impos-

sible for many to send their children to school is because they themselves have not had good opportunities, and their salaries are not large enough to both keep and educate their children; for education in this country is not free, nor is it likely to be for some time to come. The schools established to help this needy class of people are doing a great work. Would that we also could help a larger number!

Our chief aim in the school is to create such a strong Christian influence in the Boarding Home and School that the children cannot but be stronger in character and have higher ideals. The reports which come regarding those who have gone out from our midst show that, through God's grace, this aim has been realized in a large measure. We would ask the sympathy and prayers of all for the Anglo-Indians, and especially for our little school.

Since I have become acquainted with this work I have been strongly impressed with its importance. It may seem small—so small as to be despised by some—but numbers do not always count for most. God often works best through the seemingly weak ones, and we believe that His power will raise up this despised community.

Yours in the Master's service,
GEORGINA MCGILL.

THE HOLIDAYS AT HOME.

For the first time in years I have spent the hot season at home, and it has been an exceptionally pleasant one.

The beginning of April saw us busy moving over to the Elliott Bungalow and getting settled in the comfortable new home, made possible by the loving gifts of the dear friends at home. There were still a number of finishing-up small jobs to do after we came over, and so we have been busy through the holidays getting them done. I cannot begin to tell the joy I have in this convenient, restful home. Daily we pray that His name may be praised here. Lately one of our Christian young men from Yellamanehili came to see it, and, as he walked through the rooms, he said: "In every room you can rest. It makes me think of Jesus' words, 'In our Father's house are many mansions.' They will be restful, won't they?"

Although we have not done much work outside, it was good to be home and able to have our daily meeting for prayer, which is more of a Bible Class. Our women's weekly meeting has been kept up, and the first week in May the Biblewomen and others came each morning for Bible study. I am so glad to have been home to take my Bible Class with our Christian women on Sunday mornings, for the lessons in John are so rich.

ELLEN PRIEST.

THE BOARDING SCHOOL, SAMAL-KOT.

We have had last term sixty-five boys in residence, and they seemed happy and contented. The Headmaster is quite pleased over the fact that the boys are not running away! Their health has been very good indeed. This may be attributed to several causes—the rooms were all whitewashed last hot season; the roofs were mended before the heavy rains came, and some addition was made to the food supply. With a good system of oversight, the various "companies" have done their

work well, keeping the rooms and the grounds quite clean, and dividing the food properly.

We have four Telugu teachers, all Lower Secondary men, only one of whom has not yet passed the "practical test." For some reason which I have not yet been able to make out, the supervisors and inspectors here do not give as good reports of the work as were given in Akidu in my time there. One reason is the difficulty of getting men who can teach arithmetic well. My own work should be mainly Scripture. However, I was so ambitious to work up the school that, in addition to this, I undertook several classes in arithmetic and English. This, in addition to the constant oversight of the boys out of school hours, proved to be too much. After two days in Pithapuram, when the chief medicine prescribed was sleep, I complied with advice to cut off three or four classes per day, and have been much better ever since.

Yours in the Master's service,
JANET F. ROBINSON.

TOURING ON YELLAMANCHILI FIELD.

We have camped in five different centres and have seen about eighty villages. In the vicinity of three of these, there was a wonderful interest shown in the Gospel. In one village it seemed to me the people were very near the Kingdom. In another place the farmer boys came every evening to learn hymns and went off to the fields singing them. Since we came in from tour, two women from this place came to us, saying they believed, and were going to stay with us. They are with us yet, but have not been baptized yet.

In a third place there was general interest shown everywhere. In a large night meeting fifteen or more people indicated their interest by asking us to pray for them.

And so the work goes. Although we found ignorance and indifference in many places, there were here and there those who had heard before and were really interested.

E. McLEISH.

THE MISSION CIRCLES.

CELEBRATING A GERMAN HERO.

The war has obscured many noteworthy events and overturned many plans. The proposed celebration of the martyrdom of John Huss, the five hundredth anniversary of which occurred July 6, 1915, proved impossible on any such scale as was planned, as the city of Prague was then distracted with the sufferings of the war. So now the four hundredth anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, which was to have been elaborately observed this year in connection with the anniversary of the nailing of Luther's theses to the door of the Wittenberg church on October 31, 1517, seems likely to be dimmed in men's thought by the preoccupations of a war-swept world.

Yet the great event cannot be altogether overlooked because Christian nations are at strife with one another, or quietly suppressed because Germany is now odious in our eyes. Luther and the Reformation and the great principles of that Reformation: the Power of Faith, the open Bible, the Right of Private Judgment, Civil and Religious Liberty; these all remain quickening ideals that call for reaffirmation.

Several denominational bodies are planning special features for their observance. Lutherans are said to be raising a memorial Jubilee Fund of \$1,000,000; Presbyterians are founding chairs of Bible teaching in many of their colleges. The Dutch Reformed Church is raising a million-dollar fund for celebration and \$100,000 for a Schaff memorial building in Philadelphia. Yet we ought not to miss the stimulus of recalling the great upheaval of the Reformation and its mighty and energizing truths. A fine send-off for our churches as they renew their activities next autumn will be an observance of that pivotal date. The slogan that carries the idea is "to celebrate the Reformation of the Sixteenth Century and to hasten the Transformation of the Twentieth."

HOW CHRIST SURROUNDS US.

Beneath Us.—The eternal God is thy dwelling place, and underneath are the everlasting arms.—Deut. 33: 27.

Behind Us.—For ye shall not go out in haste, neither shall ye go by flight; for Jehovah will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your rearward.—Isa. 52: 12.

Before Us.—When he hath put forth his own, He goeth before them, and the sheep follow Him for they know His voice.—John 10: 4.

Beside Us.—I have set Jehovah always before me: because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.—Psa. 16: 8.

Around Us.—As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so Jehovah is round about His people.—Psa. 125: 2.

Within Us.—It is no longer I that live, but Christ liveth in me.—Gal. 2: 20.—Sel.

"HITHERTO"—"HENCEFORTH."

In bidding farewell to Miss Mary Reed, after a memorable visit to her lonely, but lovely, home at Chandag Heights, the departing guest called out across a bend in the mountain path, "Hitherto." Instantly there came the response, in clear, unflinching voice, "Yes, and 'Henceforth' all the way."—Sel.

CIRCLE NEWS.

Coaticook, Que.—I am writing just a few words to let you know that our Circle is still alive, and that we are still praying "Thy Kingdom come." Still mindful of the great commission, "Go ye into all the world."

We meet every two weeks; have devotional exercises and some items of Missionary interest.

Wednesday evening, Sept. 12th, our Circle took charge of the Missionary prayer meeting. Mrs. Ramsay gave a most interesting outline of our work in India, using the map. Though the war is bringing severe pressure upon us, still a strong appeal was made to the men to continue support of the Mission's work. A good many facts were given by various members of the Circle, and Mrs. Franey, our pastor's

wife, favored us with a solo. An appeal for money in connection with the deficit was made by our President, Mrs. McKenzie, and five dollars was added to our funds.

In addition to Mission interests, the Circle is doing considerable Red Cross work. From February to September the following items of work were done: Socks knitted, 367; pillowslips, 42; bandages, 14; pyjamas, 5; shirts, 35.

May the Lord make us more useful in His service.

P. M. C.

Kingsville.—Our annual Thank-offering meeting has held in the church on Wednesday evening, October 10th. There was a large attendance. The President, Mrs. Everett Wigle, occupied the chair, and conducted the meeting in a very pleasing manner, also reading the 12th chapter Romans, shewing that Godly conduct is the fruit of a Godly nature.

Our pastor, Rev. J. W. Hisey, led in prayer, after which Miss Ritchie, our Treasurer, gave the financial statement, shewing that \$143.98 had been raised during the year, and of that amount \$140.11 had been sent to Missions. Three quilts were sent out to the hospital in Akidu by Miss Selman, and the spiritual condition of the Circle is very healthy, several new members having been added during the year.

The Rev. S. E. Burrell, of Leamington, gave an excellent address, basing his thoughts on the touch of Jesus,—which was highly appreciated.

Little Miss Elsie Taggart gave as a recitation the "Missionary Hen," while five little girls from the Band sang very sweetly "If Jesus Goes With Me," accompanied by Miss Agnes Shipley on the organ.

Mr. Culver Fitch gave a birthday recitation in his usual pleasing manner, and Mr. A. Skolding rendered a very suitable solo. The offering amounted to \$24.00.

JANE RITCHIE.

Elgin Association Rally.—The Semi-annual Rally of the Circles and Bands of Elgin Association was held on Sept. 4th and 5th. For the convenience of those desiring to attend, two centres were chosen—Lakeview in the east and Iona Station in the west, and the Churches, Circles and Bands invited to attend whichever place was most convenient for them.

Two sessions, morning and afternoon, were held, and each was opened by a helpful prayer service. The speakers were Rev. Wm. Walker, of New Sarum, who gave us "Personal Experiences of a Home Missionary," and Rev. Clark Timpany, whose theme was "Personal Experiences of a Foreign Missionary."

It was only by request that they took these topics, but the information given was such that all present felt a deeper interest in the work of Home and Foreign Missions, and more prayerful and loving interest in our representatives on these fields.

Rev. Mr. Bingham, of Iona Station, for many years a Home Missionary in Northern Ontario, also spoke briefly on some of his experiences in the work.

Although the attendance was not as large as had been hoped for, yet all present felt it had been a time of spiritual refreshing and of inspiration and incentive to greater work.

The singing of Misses Baker and Lee, of St. Thomas, and Miss Patterson and Mrs. McKillop, of Iona Station, added much to the enjoyment of the meetings.

M. L.

THE YOUNG WOMEN.

Guelph, Sept. 28.—The presentation of a Life Membership in the Baptist Women's Missionary Society was the unique and interesting event that took place at the September meeting of the Young Ladies' Missionary Auxiliary of Woolwich Street Baptist Church. The recipient was Mrs. J. W. Rogers, and the membership was given in memory

of the life and work of one of our departed members, Alice Evans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Evans. Mrs. A. R. Kennedy, President of the Auxiliary, presented the membership, and touching reference was made on the occasion by both Mr. and Mrs. Evans, the memory of whose daughter was being honored. Rev. Dr. Gordon, pas-

tor of the church, gave the first of a series of Missionary addresses. Arrangements have been perfected for an active winter's work.

MRS. A. R. KENNEDY,
President.

Immanuel, Brantford.—The young women of Immanuel Church have organized themselves into a "Young Women's Auxiliary," with a membership of twenty. All seem willing to take part, and with our plans already made for the winter, we are looking forward to a year of blessing in our new work.

BARBARA TRUMPER, Sec.

Toronto—Fall Rally.—Again the Young Women's Circles of Toronto met to gather themselves together for their winter's work, to exchange ideas and to rejoice in the news each had to bring. This year they met on Tuesday, Sept. 25, in Jarvis St. Church. The long tables were filled with rows and rows of girls and young women, Mrs. Chas. Stark presiding and the members of each Circle sitting together. After tea came the roll-call, when about 15 Circles answered to their names. Miss Ellis gave a word of greeting, and Mrs. Cameron of the "Visitor" and Miss Norton of the LINK spoke for a few moments on the papers. The addresses of the evening were given by Miss Laura Craig, on India, and on the chances offered to young women in that land, and by Mrs. Holman, emphasizing the overwhelming need of devoting ourselves to the great task of making Canada Christian. These addresses were most interesting and helpful, but must be heard to get the full benefit from them. Some of the ideas from the Roll Call can be more easily passed on. Each representative had been asked to mention the outstanding feature of her Circle's work for the year. One Circle told of their greatest fun being at a Corn Roast, just held; but their notes of progress were sounded in the coming into their organization of the Girls' Club of their church, and some of the organized Bible Classes.

Several Circles reported that meetings at the homes of the members, instead of at the church, were more largely attended and better liked. A number of others either had studied

last winter, or were about to study, "The King's Highway."

One Circle has a Talent Night once a month, when each member begins to "trade" with 25 cents and brings in her earnings next meeting. This plan has resulted in large collections. Moulton College has had the record of raising largest collections for years, though having a smaller school than usual. They are hoping to continue the weekly offering this year, and, with the large school, expect great things.

Two Circles reported that they had helped the B.Y.F.U.—one in taking over the monthly Missionary meetings, and the other by assuming their Missionary obligations because of the departure of so many men.

The Mock Trial, prepared and given by Wychwood, benefited many others besides themselves. It was so popular they were asked to present it five separate times.

And so the story continued—a record of busy work well done, giving cause for much hope for the coming year.

Why not "go thou and do likewise"!

"THE CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF THE ROCK"

W. E. Entzminger, "Jornal Baptista,"
Rio de Janeiro.

Do the Latin-Americans Need Missionaries? Too long we have passed by on the other side of this, our Samaria,

On an October afternoon, many years ago, according to the Catholic legend, in one of the mountain districts that girdle Rio de Janeiro, one of the most picturesque and beautiful of cities, a young nobleman pushed his way through the underbrush in search of game. Without a moment's warning, the young man found himself within an arms' length of an enormous rattlesnake, which in a twinkle had prepared itself for the fatal stroke. Immediately a shriek rent the air: "alha-me, Nossa, Senhora!" ("Help, our Lady!") Instantly seized by a lightning stroke of paralysis, the movements of the monster ceased, the story concludes, and it lay helpless at the young man's feet, where it was quickly despatched.

Deeply grateful for his marvellous deliverance, this youthful devotee of the Virgin contributed a large sum of money

for the erection of a chapel on or near the spot, in order that his miraculous escape through the timely intervention of Our Lady should be commemorated in the ages to come, and that all the "faithful" should have an object lesson of the value of her intercession. In due course of time a beautiful chapel stood on one of the highest points of this mountain district and was christened "The Church of Our Lady of the Rock" ("A igreja de Nossa Senhora de Penha"). Of all the popular shrines in Brazil, this one has perhaps become the most famous. Its annual festival, in the month of October, for certain classes of Rio's population, has for decades been the crowning event of the year.

Annually, during the festal season, this church puts on its gala dress and celebrates its anniversary with a pomp and garishness that would be difficult to exceed. Every Sunday in October, almost countless thousands from Rio de Janeiro and the regions beyond, made up mostly of low-class Brazilians and Portuguese, go on a pilgrimage to this "sacred" place, in the name of religion, to have a good time, to serve the world, the flesh and the devil. These annual gatherings, from the point of view of the management, have always been an extraordinary success, but the season just closed has perhaps been the greatest in its long history. Certainly nothing is more characteristic of the Roman system, the religion of fable, fancy and fiction, than its church festivals, which bring out its true character, purpose and spirit.

An outsider who for the first time goes to one of these Sunday gatherings to see the sights, finds himself doubting his own ears and eyes, as he moves among this surging mass of human beings bent on having the time of their lives. He finds it impossible to reconstruct on paper the many and varied scenes that pass before his vision. As he climbs the long hill that leads to the chapel he will have to pass along an almost endless line of beggars seated by the way, whose deformities of every description, and repugnant aspect defy description, and whose loud and persistent cries for help harrow the soul. At the approach of the chapel he is met by a row of steps down out of the solid

rock—a step for each day in the year. Here and there among the ascending throng is seen a woman with a look of distress on her face, down on her knees, bare and exposed to the granite rock, slowly climbing the 365 steps, and in this way doing penance and working out her own salvation, as in the accompanying picture.

The discriminating observer is at once convinced that, although ostensibly a religious festival, religion really occupies a very secondary place; it is evident that religion is exploited for sordid gain. The owners of the plant, a Catholic guild, of which priests probably constitute the majority, make out and execute the programme entirely on a money basis. The whole atmosphere is impregnated with the odor of filthy lucre, and the metallic ring reverberates throughout every nook and corner of the spacious grounds. Merchandise is made of the sacraments; objects of every conceivable nature, brought into contact with the "miraculous" image of the Virgin on the inside of the chapel, and "blessed" by the priests, are put on sale at exorbitant prices. These are recommended as an antidote against every evil under the sun, not only in the case of men and women, but even for dumb animals, as may be seen in a photograph of the ox, which was taken with a kodak on the ground only a few Sundays ago!

The feature, however, which most deeply impresses the visitor is without doubt the spirit of abandon, of reckless animalism, that like a legion of demons seems to possess the crowd. The only purpose of the coming together of this surging mass seems to be to remove every restraint and let nature caper. Unlimited expansion is given to the very lowest instincts of the flesh; every vice and form of immorality has free scope. Gambling, drunkenness, riot and murder are rampant. An army of policemen is required to somewhat restrain the devil of lawlessness in its most violent expression, that is always and everywhere in evidence. About the only difference between these Roman Catholic festivals of to-day and an orgy of ancient Rome is the difference of the civilization of the first century and the twentieth.

The time-serving papal system keeps

its hold on the masses by reducing the method of salvation to a mechanical process. In a well-appointed flour mill about the only thing necessary for man to do is to place the grain in the hopper, and the machinery will then do the rest. In the papal system a man, to be saved, needs neither religion nor

morals; he does not need to even trouble himself about his future. Confide in the church and its sacraments, and all will be well. It is not difficult to understand why it is that Romanism is one of the most corrupting influences on earth to-day.—Home and Foreign Fields.

GIRLS AND BOYS.

THE VISIT OF FUN-SIN.

Edith Taylor Earpshaw.

Round and smooth, white and delicious, with nine candles flickering brightly around the edge—guess what! Yes, a birthday cake. Donald Perry, his eyes very round, watched it come in. There was ice cream to follow. Mr. Coke, a visiting gentleman who was sitting next to Donald's father, looked up with great interest.

"Oh, ho!" he said, "someone's birthday, is it?"

Donald nodded. "Yes, sir; I am nine."

"I want to have a little part in this birthday celebration," said Mr. Coke, and he reached in his pocket and after fumbling a minute or two pulled out a shining new quarter. "Take that, Donald," he said, "and spend it just as you wish."

After Mr. Coke had been properly thanked, and after the cake was cut, and the ice cream, deliciously pink and cold, was eaten, Donald went into the front porch to discuss the spending of the money with his mother. A quarter seemed like a good deal of money to him.

"I need a new bell for my bicycle," he said, "and I saw one down at the store for fifteen cents this afternoon. And I don't know but what I'll spend the other ten cents for marbles—well, maybe five cents for marbles, and five for ice cream—I just love ice cream."

"The money is yours, son. Spend it just as you like; but I remember hearing you say to-day at dinner that the Sunbeams are to have a special offering next Sunday for foreign missions. What about that?"

"Oh, I'll give a nickel to that, I suppose," said Donald carelessly. His mother did not say any more; and so Donald played in the yard with his new

ball for awhile, then went sleepily to bed.

He had not been in bed very long when someone knocked at the door.

"How funny!" thought Donald, "for anyone to knock at my door at this time o' night!" But he called, "Come in!" and then sat up in bed to see the funniest sight! It was a little boy of about his own age, dressed in a strange purple silk coat, with full trousers made of yellow, embroidered in rich design. His hair was plastered around his forehead in a fringe, and plaited in a little pigtail in the back.

"What in the world do you want?" cried Donald, forgetting to be polite.

"I thought I'd come to see you. My name is Fun-Sin," said the little boy.

"But where did you come from?"

"All the way from China."

Donald dropped back on his pillow, shaking all over with excitement. To think of a little Chinese boy coming all the way just to see him!

"How—how old are you?" Donald felt those strange, slanting eyes upon him, and he wriggled nervously. "How old, Fun-Sin?"

"Oh, I don't know."

Think of a boy not knowing how old he was!

Since to-morrow was Sunday, Donald asked this queer stranger if he would like to go to Sunday School. To his surprise, the little fellow blinked, and said, "What is Sunday School?"

"Sunday School! Sunday School! Don't you know what that is? Why it's where we learn about Jesus."

The visitor shook his head. "Who is Jesus?" he asked.

Donald sat up in bed.

"Oh," he said, in shocked tones, "you must be a bad boy; for if you read your Bible you'd know all about Jesus."

"What is a Bible?" asked the Chinese boy.

"Oh!" cried Donald. "I believe you must be one of those heathens Miss Letty was telling us about last Sunday. Are you?" he asked in great excitement.

"I don't know," said Fun-Sin, "and I don't know what you mean by all those things you are talking about. I came to see you because I heard you American boys were happy—always smiling and playing and having a good time."

"Of course we are," said Donald, "but aren't Chinese boys that way?"

"Sometimes, but not often. You see, we are always afraid of displeasing our gods. My mother is very unhappy; she cries most of the time, so we don't have much fun. My mother cries because my little brother died; we'll never see him again, you know."

"But you will see him again!" Donald almost sobbed, "for we are going to see my little brother Roger again, who went to heaven last year. Say, Fun-Sin, you say you are not happy—why don't you learn about Jesus? That would make you happy."

"Because there is nobody to teach us. Nobody ever comes to teach us. Nobody ever—"

Donald could not stand it any longer. He burst into tears, and then his mother was bending over him, the room was full of moonlight, and Fun-Sin was gone.

"You had a bad dream, son; it's all right; nobody's here but mother!"

"But where is Fun-Sin—that Chinese boy? He was here a minute ago!"

"You ate too much cake for supper, and it gave you a bad dream, that is all. Now, go to sleep again!" She leaned over and kissed his cheek. Don-

ald dropped back on the pillow, which had been turned over and felt cool to his hot cheek, and his hand struck something cold and hard. It was his birthday money, which he had brought to bed with him.

"Never mind, Fun-Sin," he mumbled, as his fingers closed over it, "never—you—min. I'm a-gin' to send so-o-me bo-o-dy!"

WOULDN'T YOU?

If you were a mite-box, and owned by a maid,

Just how would you like to be treated?

Just how would you like to be cast in the shade,

And never quite civilly greeted?

Or how would you like to be left half a year,

With pennies—just two, three or four?

Neglected, forgotten, forsaken; I fear
You'd be longing and pleading for more.

And how would you like to be torn, torn and broken,

Till scarce you could know you were you,

And must look at the words on your garb for a token?

Now I shouldn't like it, would you?

And wouldn't you rather be carefully tended,

And given a penny each day,

With every blemish most tenderly mended?

I would, wouldn't you, now just say?
—Woman's Missionary Friend.

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

MISSING "LINKS."

A request has come in for a number of issues of the "MISSIONARY LINK" to complete a file for a Missionary Research Library.

Will subscribers who are not themselves making a file look over their papers, and if they have any of these mentioned, send in to 50 Howland Ave.,

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CONVENTION PROGRAMME.

Convention to Be Held in St. Catharines, Nov. 7th and 8th—Foreign Day, Nov. 8th.

- 9.30 Hymn.
Scripture Reading
Mrs. H. Dickenson
Prayer.
- 9.45 Annual Reports.
Recording Secretary
Mrs. Wilson Fenton
- 10.00 Secretary of Directors (Foreign)
Mrs. Lloyd
- 10.10 "Link" Statement. Miss Norton
- 10.20 Treasurer's Statement
Mrs. Campbell
- 10.30 Secretary of Bands
Mrs. R. J. Marshall
- 10.40 Prayer service, conducted by
Mrs. Inrig
- 11.10 Elections.
11.40 President's Message.
Closing prayer.
- 12.00 Adjournment.
Afternoon Session.
- 2.00 Hymn.
Prayer.
Minutes of Morning Session.
- 2.20 An Hour with our Representatives in India—the Representatives introduced by
Miss Rogers.
- 3.20 Prayer for our work.
- 3.25 Music.
Offering.
- 3.35 Address Miss Baskerville
- 4.00 Mission Band Conference, conducted by Mrs. R. J. Marshall
Closing prayer.
- Evening Session.
- 8.00 Hymn.
Scripture and prayer. Mrs. Veals
Address. Dr. Jessie Allyn
Music.
Offering.
Address, "Bolivia"
Rev. A. G. Baker
Hymn.
Benediction.

BAND LEADERS, ATTENTION!

The Band Conference will centre about four points, and we are very anxious that you all come prepared to give help to others in the time for discussion. Please speak promptly, briefly and very distinctly, so all may hear. The topics for discussion are:

Leadership—What must be the qualifications for this important office, and how shall we find and train leaders?

Practical Helps for the Programme.
Legitimate Ways for Increasing Our Giving.

Our Ideal in All Our Programmes:
To teach the children a knowledge of Missions, and to inspire a desire to do something for Missions.

Please Note This: A room is being secured where workers may take programmes, helps of any kinds, samples of work for busy work, anything you have used that might help another. Bring a contribution, or many of them. Miss Laine will be in charge of this room.

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J. M. N.

CONVENTION BILLETING NOTICE—
ONTARIO WEST.

All delegates to Convention, meeting in St. Catharines, please send names as early as possible to Mrs. H. M. Rogers, 115 King St. If any delegates find it impossible to come, please notify Mrs. Rogers as early as possible. Please do not send names of those who do not intend to come.

DELEGATES AND VISITORS TO
CONVENTION.

Don't forget to get a railway certificate from the agent when you buy your ticket to St. Catharines.

One hundred railway certificates for tickets which cost 50c. or more will secure a return passage for one-third fare plus 25c. If there are 300 railway certificates we return home free plus 25c.

Regular return tickets worth 50c. or more will be counted to make up the required number, if necessary.

Tickets are good from Friday, Nov. 2nd, till Tuesday, Nov. 13th.

J. R. GUNTON.

WOMEN'S CONVENTION OF ONTARIO WEST, 1917.

The Annual Convention of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of Ontario West will be held in the Baptist Church, St. Catharines, on Wednesday and Thursday, November the 7th and 8th.

The annual meeting of the Foreign Society will be held on Thursday, the 8th. A conference for Directors will be held on Tuesday afternoon, the 6th, at 4 o'clock, and on the evening of the same day, at 8 o'clock, the two Boards will unite in a meeting for prayer for the Convention.

Delegates.

The Constitution of each Society allows the following:—

Each Circle is entitled to two delegates for a membership of twenty or less; for each additional twenty, one 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. All are invited to attend the meetings, and may take part in the discussions, but only delegates, officers and members of the Board are entitled to vote.

The following members of the Board retire this year, but are eligible for reelection: Miss G. B. Alexander, Mrs. Wm. Davies, Mrs. John MacNeill, Mrs. J. Grant and Mrs. Hugh Ellis, of Toronto; and Mrs. Geo. Matthews, Brantford; Mrs. J. Macintosh, Owen Sound, and Mrs. J. Wood, Peterborough.

"Nominations in writing may be presented through the Recording Secretary of the Board, and the opportunity shall also be given to the meeting to make open nominations."

A. E. FENTON,

Rec. Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

September, 1917.

RECEIPTS.

From Circles—

Ailsa Craig, \$4.55; Wallaceburg (Life Membership, Miss Emily Martin), \$25.00; Kenilworth (Biblewoman),

\$6.00; Mount Forest (special), \$5.18; Cheapside, \$4.00; Leamington, \$7.50; Willisroft, \$5.00; New Dundee (Bible woman, \$7.82), \$13.32; Grimsby (special), \$5.00; Brampton (Biblewoman), \$7.63; Watford, \$6.00; Marchmount, \$5.00; Houghton First, \$1.00; Burk's Falls, \$2.50; Kingsville, \$16.00; Toronto, Olivet, \$7.23; Glanville, \$10.00; Toronto, Jarvis St. (add Thank-offering, \$28.00), \$174.01; East Nissouri (Thank-offering), \$28.00; London, Talbot, \$21.00; Toronto, Boon Ave. (\$8.50 special for new missionary), \$14.90; Bentinek, \$3.00; Gilmour Memorial (lepers \$4.01), \$17.01.

From Y. W. Circles—

Simcoe, \$22.25; Toronto, Divercourt Rd., \$7.50.

From Bands—

St. Mary's (student), \$5.00; Strathroy, \$2.50; New Liskeard, \$10.00; St. Catharines "Gleaners," \$25.00; Claremont (student), \$17.00; Goderich, \$1.00; Alvinston, \$2.65; Ingersoll (student), \$7.00.

From Sundries—

Brantford, Park, Philaena Class (student), \$17.00; Cultus, Ladies Union, \$2.50; Mrs. Wm. Craig (towards Dr. Cameron's instruments), \$20.00; Anon. (T. Krupavati and—B. Annual), \$50.00; Mrs. R. W. Elliot (Eliot bungalow, \$2.00; lepers \$50.00), \$250.00; Mrs. A. J. Lowick, \$5.00; Mrs. A. B. Alexander, (Building Fund), \$5.00; Interest on account, \$38.55; Mrs. Montgomery's lecture (net proceeds), \$54.42.

Disbursements: To the General Treasurer: On regular estimates for India, \$1,000; furlough, \$66.67; passage, Miss Laura Craig, \$44.00; salary, \$45.00. Akidu, native preacher, \$16.25. To General Treasurer: October payment to complete payment of revised estimates, \$1,562.89. To the Treasurer, \$20.83; exchange 32c.; literature sent to Directors, \$3.66; P. R. Wilson, stationery, \$2.00.

Total Receipts for Sept., \$934.20.
Total Disbursements for Sept., \$3,157.62. Total Receipts for Convention year, \$1,350.16. Total Disbursements for Convention year, \$1,7392.89.

M. C. CAMPBELL,

Treasurer.

MRS. GLENN H. CAMPBELL,
113 Balmoral Ave., Toronto.

Forty-first Annual Report of W. B. F. M. Convention of Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

The Forty-first Annual Meeting of the W. B. F. M. S. (East) met in convention with the Kenmore Circle on Wednesday, 3rd inst. There was an unusually large delegation present.

Mrs. Telford, wife of the esteemed pastor of the church, led in the opening devotional exercises.

Little Misses Flora Dalglish and Lora Carnier were the willing pages of the day.

The President, Mrs. H. H. Ayer, in her accustomed bright winsomeness, greeted the Convention with words of approbation, encouragement and enthusiasm, ever urging the Circles to get a broader, deeper and fuller vision of Foreign Missions.

The Nominating Committee was composed of Mesdames Griffith, Watt, Smart, Campbell.

The Committee on Appropriations consisted of Miss Russell and Mesdames Reynolds, Metcalf, McLaurin, and Miss Chandler.

The Recording Secretary's report, also reports of the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer, will appear in full in the LINK.

Mrs. Ramsay's report as Superintendent of Mission Bands was well received. Band work is worth while, even if the number of children be small, no church has a valid reason for not having a Band. Many Bands in the smaller places are very much alive, and are doing great things. Band leaders are urged to respond to the Superintendent's appeal for information regarding their Band.

A message of appreciation will be sent Mrs. Ramsay for her excellent work among the Bands.

Miss Dakin, Superintendent of the Bureau of Literature, reported increased demand for literature, showing that the desire for missionary information is developing. Receipts amounted to \$22.21. This important part of our work might be even better patronized, and in order to arouse greater zeal for Missions according to knowledge, Mrs. Colpitts gave three very fine reviews of the study books, "His Dominion," "The Life of a Leper," and "An African Trail." The LINK was also spoken of very highly as an almost indispensable channel of missionary information.

Helps for Juniors were displayed and explained by Mrs. Kirkland. Those specially mentioned as particularly suitable were: "Everyland," "African Trail," colored picture books to use in mapping African towns, and the Programmes in the "Visitor." She told how our children, by our careful teaching, could do a great deal for their foreign schoolmates by treating them kindly and justly.

The Quiet Hour, conducted by Mrs. Findlay, took us into the very Holy of Holies. We caught a fresh vision of our coming Lord and His Glory, and of the inheritance, sure, permanent, without reserve, which will be ours at His coming.

The report of the Nominating Committee was now brought in, and the Convention proceeded to elect its officers. The result is as follows: Presi-

dent, Mrs. H. H. Ayer; Vice-President, Mrs. Rickert; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Le Flair; Recording Secretary, Miss Bentley; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Moxley; Treasurer, Miss F. M. Russell.

New members elected to the Board were: Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Baldwin, Mrs. Plant, Mrs. A. H. Gordon, Miss McKergow, and Mrs. Chapman.

Mrs. A. H. Therrien was made an honorary life member of the Board.

Sixty-three delegates from Circles and five from Bands responded to the roll call.

Mrs. Harber, Ottawa, gave a short talk on her work as a missionary in Africa. Mrs. Harber cautioned the delegates not to allow their sympathy for these people, as they studied about them, detract their attention from our own Baptist work in India. Prayer will help both the missionaries and crown their efforts with success.

The President called upon Rev. J. B. McLaurin, India, to close with prayer.

Afternoon Session.

This session opened with a wholesome talk on the importance of prayer in our daily lives by Mrs. G. R. MacFaul, concluding her remarks with a song, "Never Stop Praying."

Reports were read by the Corresponding Secretary and the Treasurer, after which the Appropriations Committee brought in its report. By the adoption of the report the appropriations for the coming year are as follows: Miss Murray, \$525; Miss Murray's passage to Canada, \$430; Yellamanchili, \$340; Miss Hinman and work, \$700; Akidu Boarding School, \$425; Vuyuru Boarding School, \$350; Vuyuru work, \$619; Narapatnam, \$258; Avaniagadda, \$212; Bolivia, \$75; administration, \$100.

While the Board has not taken on any new work, the estimates show a large increase owing to the natural growth of the present work. This should be a great incentive for the Circles to press on towards the accomplishment of greater things than ever before.

Our anticipations were fully realized when we listened to the message Miss Marsh brought from India. She gave us glimpses now into the daily routine of her life in India, then in some native home. Now it was touring, again it was her work among the girls at the Boarding School. The great need on the Bobbili field is Biblewomen. Two large German mission stations are awaiting us to go in and possess. It is always a grief that there are few conversions in the north as compared with the south, owing to the fact that there are fewer of the lower caste people in the north, while the high caste have so much to give up that few take the decided step for Christ and come out from among them.

The Round Table Conference was conducted by Mrs. A. A. Cameron, with much despatch and with great satisfaction.

Very tenderly and lovingly Mrs. A. Matthews named our sisters, one by one, who have passed, during the year, into the King's presence. Each had done what she could for God and humanity, and have now entered upon their great inheritance. The following are our beloved dead: Mrs. C. E. Parson, Mrs. O. C. S. Wallace, Mrs. Killett, Mrs. Lora, Mrs. Wadsworth, Mrs. Patterson, Miss Black, Mrs. Cheeseman, Miss Sawyer, Mrs. Warne, Mrs. McLaurin, Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Moray, Mrs. Stevens.

Prayer by the President, Mrs. H. H. Ayer, and the meeting adjourned on motion.

Evening Session.

The meeting was called to order at 7.30, with the President in the chair. Rev. W. R. Telford read the scripture and led in prayer. The choir added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening.

Miss Marsh introduced four native women in their characteristic dress, which was much appreciated.

The President then introduced Rev. J. B. McLaurin, India. His address was of the most engrossing interest. Surely our vision of India and the work that our missionaries are doing is broader and deeper than ever before. He pictured to us the degradation of the country, that lifted our thoughts to the noble self-sacrificing lives of the native Christians. Christianity is marching on to victory. The people are clamoring for teachers and leaders. The schools are too small. Christ is calling for sacrifice. What is our part?

Miss Chandler very cleverly summarized the Convention in her "Closing Words." Taking the corner-stone of each address, she builded a structure long to remain in our memory. She said that she had never attended a convention where a sweeter or more dignified or finer Christ-spirit prevailed than in this one now about to close.

The pronouncement of the Mizpah benediction and the singing of the National Anthem brought this happy gathering to a successful end.

M. A. WHITE,
Con. Rep.

**RECORDING SECRETARY'S ANNUAL
REPORT OF THE W.B.F.M.S. OF
EASTERN ONTARIO AND
QUEBEC, Oct. 3rd, 1917.**

During the past year we have held one special and four regular meetings of the Board, the average attendance of members at the regular meetings being twenty-five, a gain of one over last

year. It was a great pleasure to have Mrs. A. E. Masse, of Grande Ligne, at several of our meetings. Three prayer meetings were held at homes of different members of the Board, and days of prayer observed, as usual.

Reports from our Missionaries in India have been received; also from the Supt. of Bureau of Literature, showing that the desire for knowledge of Missions, both at home and abroad, is increasing.

We were glad to be able to announce that a legacy of \$500.00 was received from the late Miss Sawyer, of St. Louis Goujaque, Que.

Three entertainments were held during the winter, under the auspices of the Board. An offering was taken each evening, and the sum of \$85.35 realized.

Girls' Dormitories at Vuyyuru.

According to the original estimate we were asked to give the sum of \$750.00 for the erection of the dormitories. It was later found that sum was insufficient, and we were asked to make a further gift of \$100.00. Owing to unforeseen difficulties in the erection, \$150.00 more was required to complete the work. This sum we sent, making the total amount \$1,000.00 given by our Society for the erection of the dormitories.

In April we found that the rate of exchange had risen considerably on account of the scarcity of silver in India, and the Board was asked to pay an extra amount to meet this call. Our Treasurer, Miss Russell, suggested that an appeal be made to the women of our Convention, for every Baptist woman to give one cent for each day during the month of June. This plan was carried out; 38 Circles responded, and the sum of \$201.25 was raised for this object.

Each officer and member of the Board feel they have sustained a per-

sonal loss in the death of our First Vice-President, Mrs. O. C. S. Wallace, and will long remember her work amongst us.

Our sympathy goes out to those of our number who have been called to pass through deep sorrow during the past year.

In looking forward to another year, we trust that, notwithstanding the unhappy conditions brought about by this terrible war, our interests and efforts may not flag in the work we have undertaken, namely, the evangelization of the women of India.

EDITH C. BENTLEY,

910 St. Catherine St. West, Montreal.

THE FORTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE W.B.F.M.S. OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

Madame President and Ladies:

As we take up the thread of the story of our work among the Leagues, the thought seems more and more insistent each year that we are engaged upon work that demands all our highest capabilities of Christian service, and while we pour out our hearts in gratitude to our Heavenly Father for blessing and sanctioning our efforts, the question naturally comes, "are we bringing" the best that is in us to this task?

We count ourselves fortunate, and breathe a sigh of relief, if our Treasurer is able to present a clean balance sheet; but is that our only measure of advancement?

We have linked ourselves with this great movement of extending the Kingdom of God; we are obedient to the Lord's last command; but do our obligations cease when we have joined the Mission Circle?

We are all endowed with special talents and opportunities for service, and if we have not buried those in the napkin of indifference, sloth and ease each year should find larger Circles in our churches; more earnest, devoted women, educated in Missionary lore through the Missionary literature that is so easily available. We would find Young Ladies' Auxiliaries, Study Classes and Bands in every Baptist community. But alas, our statistics still indicate that there is a large percentage of women in our churches who take no active interest in Missions.

Dear sisters, this ought not to be. We must come to realize that we are engaged in the King's business; and the importance and magnitude of the task require the concentration and consecration of every child of God.

We are living in a day when the effort of the individual is placed at its highest value; when it is the object of the Government to utilize every human force and activity in the service of the country; and surely there is no place for "slackers" in the warfare we are waging for our Heavenly King.

An appeal has been issued by the Foreign Mission Board of North America, addressed to every individual follower of Jesus Christ, which calls attention to the fact that the work of over 2,000 Teuton missionaries is in danger of disruption, thus throwing the responsibility of some 700,000 disciples on pagan lands upon the Christians of Britain and America; and dealing with the changing attitude of the Eastern races through participation in the white man's war on a plane of equality, bringing them closer and more accessible to the unifying force of Christendom. It is claimed that the missionary holds a position unique in history, and can now render a genuine and patriotic national

service, if his supporters at home are responsive to the call. "We cannot escape the conviction that this period of war, with its exacting demands, may be the supreme hour for undertaking new and daring enterprises for Christ and the Church. We therefore call upon all who love their country, who long and pray for universal brotherhood and an abiding peace among nations, to regard no effort too exhausting and no sacrifice too great, for the fullest vitalization of all missionary agencies, and the completest possible mobilization of the forces of the Christian Church for the redemption of the world."

"No effort too exhausting, no sacrifice too great." Is that too big a demand upon our love for our Master? A writer has said: "The Kingdom of Christ will not come until the whole spirit of Christ is manifest everywhere in individual lives." We must have the vision of Christ which, amid the monotonous, the commonplace and the sordid, will see always the coming Kingdom, and will build its perfection and its beauty into every detail of the common task. We must have the obedience of Christ, which in supreme surrender of lesser interests will not shrink from following with Him the glory of that vision to Gethsemane, and, if need be, to Calvary.

Your Board has endeavored to carry out the duties entrusted to it faithfully and well, the members being constant and unwearied in their duties and attendance, although the angel of pain has been very much in our midst. The "Pentecost of Calamity" that is sweeping over the land has touched many of our Board; and to those others, all through our Society, who are passing through the valley of sorrow and bereavement, and those who daily face the "torment of uncertainty"—to all we extend our tender and loving sympathy.

The terrible loss to the Society in the tragic passing away of Mrs. O. C. S. Wallace, our First Vice-President, is still so keen and poignant a grief that we scarce can speak of it one to another. Her life among us was a benediction, and when she had passed it seemed like the ceasing of some of the joy and sunshine that glorify our work together here below.

"So fares she forth, with smiling, Godward face;
Nor should we grieve, but give eternal thanks."

Rupee Fund.

We were sorry to be obliged to make the special appeal for the Rupee Fund last spring. The change in the value of the rupee is something over which we have no control, and when, owing to war conditions, the rate of exchange became excessive, your Board agreed that, in common with the other societies, we should bear our share of the increase.

Our work was well represented at the Association meetings, and good reports returned to us of these gatherings. We have sustained a great loss in the Eastern Association when Mrs. Pollock left us to reside in the West; but surely it was our Fathers' leading that brought Miss Chandler home again in time to take up the mantle of Elijah. Mrs. McLaren and Mrs. Metcalfe were re-elected in the Canada Central and Ottawa Associations, respectively, while Miss Schaytz is directress of Grande Ligne.

India.

And now our thoughts travel to far-off India, where we trust the lower lights are brightly burning and dissipating the gloom. It is impossible in a brief report like this to give any adequate idea of the work taking place on each field. The letters from our mis-

missionaries are teeming with interesting incidents, which reveal the inner life of those people. So we urge our Circles to apply for these letters, to use them in the meetings, and thus learn at first-hand the details which bind our hearts in sympathy and love for the women in India.

You will remember that last year we dropped the Zenana work at Cocanada and took up the women's work at Avinagadda. This is almost pioneering, for the women here have been so long without a leader that it is demanding all the faith, hope and charity of the indomitable Miss McLaurin to get the foundations well and truly laid in this district.

There is almost imperative demand at Avinagadda for a bungalow for the single lady missionary, and a very touching appeal has come from Miss McLaurin that our Society should undertake this work. It is difficult to refuse such a plea, especially when we know that the work will suffer in consequence; but your Board cannot recommend that the Society assume this responsibility at the present time. However, so strongly do we feel the urgency of the need that we have deferred the final decision until we know the feeling of the Society.

Miss Mason's work at Narsapatnam also we are reporting for the first time to-day. Her letters abound in anecdote and illustration, in describing what she meets, as she tours in and around that interesting centre, and will make excellent reading for the Circle meetings.

Miss Murray's and Miss Hinman's letters give us a peep into busy days, crowded to the full with duties and responsibilities. We note the constant outbursts of joy and gratitude for health and the ability to serve.

It is a great pleasure to be able to announce the possible home-coming of

Miss Murray in the spring of 1918. Although her furlough is not due until the following year, that would also be the date of Miss Hinman's return, and rather than have both of our missionaries at home at the same time, it has been suggested that Miss Murray take furlough next year. Although this has not been definitely decided, we are hoping very much that this plan may be carried out.

Narsapatnam—Miss Mason.

"The past year has been full of blessing and thrilling experience for me, in the Lord's work. Although we can report no baptisms among the women, still we are confident that just a little more of the sunshine of Jesus' love, and the watering of the Holy Spirit, will bring the seed to perfection.

Touring in the Kotea Kota brought us into close touch with many interested and eager believers, especially among the boys and young men. How earnestly these people plead for a resident worker, one to encourage and help them in persecution and temptation. Sometimes we feel the flood-tides are upon us, and yet when one turns to Christ, what a commotion is raised!

We started on this tour with great fearfulness of heart, for I had only Kanamma, who neither reads or writes but the Lord Himself worked in our midst and made our fearful hearts rejoice.

In one village we found ten families who had given up idolatry, and had registered that fact in the Government Taluq office, in order to prevent caste people forcing them to contribute to idolatrous practices. They seemed like a people prepared for His Name; the women were eager for teaching and would scarcely allow us to leave their village.

In another village the very opposite

condition of things prevailed; the people heard and felt the call, but being under obligation to the caste people, they were compelled to beat the drum for the heathen festival.

"Just let us have four days more to serve the devil," said Rarraswamey, "and then we will give it up and serve Christ." Knowing he was grieving the Holy Spirit, we pled with him; but he made his choice, and so with sad hearts we saw them leading the procession in honor of the goddess.

The schools in two Mala hamlets have been revived during the year, the teachers doing good work, considering their limitations. One of them was under discipline for a time, but prayer has been answered for her, and she is now showing a good mind and real interest in the work.

It was a joy to hear over 280 children at the Xmas Rally repeat the 23rd Psalm and sing the Christian hymns.

The little Mala boys who watch cattle by day and attend night school are responding to my admonition on the sin of gambling, and, one day, going, unawares, to Malapilli, I found John, the chief transgressor, teaching a group of boys, over a spluttering lamp, in stentorian tones, the Bible verses I had given him on the subject.

The father of the dearest little boy and girl in the Narsapatnam School, a very wicked man, is truly seeking the Lord.

In a village not far away the Brahmins are asking us to open a caste school, but there is little hope for that, with no funds in the treasury.

Biblewomen.

Annamma, who has served the Lord for thirty-eight years, is now old and suffering, and in her infirmity we must not neglect her. So we have brought her to Narsapatnam to be near the hos-

pital and our care. The treatment seems to have little effect upon her, and she wonders why she is not called to her Heavenly Home.

Surle Kanamma is my right hand on tour, looks after me as a mother would. She it is who finds the children in their hiding-places and gains access to the zenanas. Sometimes her very inability to read or write is a weapon in her hand. When the poor women protest their ignorance and uselessness, she points to herself as a witness of what God has wrought in her life.

Alice, small and frail, but faithful to the last degree, holds the fort while we are on tour, carrying on zenana and evangelistic work. She is a treasure, tried and true. S. Kanamma, in the Rachapelli, preaches to the best of her ability in her surroundings. She excels in teaching the women the beautiful Gospel hymns.

Mary is a new addition on the staff, who teaches the new Malapelli School and visits zenanas.

Karuamma, who has studied at Cocanada, felt called to the work, so was sent to the Am. Baptist Training School for further teaching. Her improvement mentally and spiritually is marked, and we are looking forward to her return in a year to enter her work as a trained Biblewoman.

Pray that the Lord may see of the travail of His soul and be satisfied in the Narsapatnam field.

Akidu—Miss Hinman.

Boarding School.—Failure of crops and scarcity of money meant a smaller school than last year; but on the other hand we have stepped into the ranks of the Higher Elementary Schools by adding the 6th and 7th Standards, so that students may now go direct from us to Teachers' Training. In spite of an inefficient head master, the school did

excellent work, as the Inspector's report showed.

Inquirers' classes twice a week were never so well attended. Rare the meeting when one or two new ones did not come seeking the Saviour. On the last Sunday all who had been converted during the year were present, and they numbered fifty-one, thirty-four having been baptized. These children are mostly from the Christian community. It was a great joy to see our little graduating class leave us as professing Christians.

Evangelistic Schools.—About ten of these schools have been carried on, being taught largely by the older school children. The December rally was a gay scene, as each school came bearing its banner, and proved the best yet in attendance and evidence of progress.

The Xmas tree was a very happy occasion. A good programme had been provided by the children, and a well-laden tree delighted their hearts. But as the gifts were limited to one cent each, our missionary must have had a most strenuous shopping tour!

Considerable illness has prevailed during the year. At one time seven boys were in the hospital, and I had to provide special diet for them in my own home. Wasn't I grateful for my old white cow? Later on a cholera epidemic threatened the school. A naughty little boy ran away to his doting grandmother, who fed him on snail and spinach curry; and next morning he required vigorous treatment. Fortunately Mrs. Chute was at home, and with drastic preventive measures we were able to ward off an epidemic, and even were spared the fright that generally seizes a school at such a time.

Christian Endeavor Society has newness of life. The older children who take topics are learning to express

themselves very well indeed, and their great object is to have each member learn a new hymn for their bi-monthly meetings. The Sick Committee report visiting the Hospital and having prayer with the scholars who are ill; while the Look-out Committee reported through the Chairman that one of their duties was to endeavor to induce all members to comb their hair, but had to report failure in some cases.

School behavior has been, on the whole, good. Some extreme cases of thieving demanded drastic measures, and as the offenders were professing Christians it was certainly a heart-breaking experience. Gambling with coppers, too, is a favorite vice with some boys, and the committee appointed by the pupils themselves to settle quarrels had the courage to expose this wrong-doing to the Missionary, thus laying themselves open to vengeance by the evil-doers.

Village work has not been a very strong feature this last year, as the duties at the school absorb most of Miss Hinman's time.

Can you imagine the rush to get in my morning rounds, giving out supplies, inspect sweeping, etc., take my chots, get bread and coffee ready for seven, conduct servants' and Bible-women's prayers, arrange for household duties with my only available cook, the water man, and be ready to teach my first class by 8 a.m.; and that during rainy season, when often a complete change of clothing, even footwear, was necessary after my rounds.

The companionship and counsel of Miss Selman have been greatly missed; and while endeavoring to oversee her work, my visits in the village have been mainly to the Christians. Miss Archibald spent some months on the field, taking up Miss Selman's work, stimu-

lating and inspiring the Biblewomen and Christians. Her persistent teaching on Temperance was timely, and cannot fail of result.

The two Biblewomen sent away for training have returned much improved.

The evangelistic campaign in our district was concentrated on the Mala hamlet, and all Christians were enlisted as workers. Even the school children were not idle. It bordered on the ludicrous to see them one day attempt to administer religion, ranging themselves around two hard-working old dames, and forcing them to repeat Scripture, they vigorously protesting their inability to learn anything. A general shaking up was the result of our efforts at this time, and the Christians seemed to be aroused to a sense of their responsibility towards their neighbors.

The year has been altogether brighter than its predecessors. The school work grows ever dearer, and for the children's sake comes the longing to be a more capable and devoted servant of Jesus Christ.

Yellamanchili—Miss Murray.

The outstanding feature of the year has been the touring, which, after many hindrances, was at last entered upon under very favorable conditions—the season and weather in our favor, and a goodly company of devoted helpers.

In spite of sore disappointment over one of these helpers later, still "we do rejoice, yea, and will rejoice" that once more Christ was preached in those regions and that many Gospel portions and tracts were left to continue their silent, but sure, witness to Him.

Miss Mason, Miss McLeish and Miss Marsh shared with Miss Murray the joys of this itinerary among old and new camps, each bearing a special message to the people.

The Biblewomen's testimony was everywhere proof that Jesus Christ is the Emancipator from the bondage of demon-worship, with all its slavish fear. "If we cease our offerings to the evil spirits and to our dead, they will torment us," is met with the reply, "We have ceased; why do they not trouble us? Jesus Christ has delivered us from such fears." And looks of wistful wonder steal over the listeners' faces as our women tell of the hope of Heaven and of meeting again their dear ones, and perhaps sing "There is a Happy Land."

Our reception by these people was most encouraging, and often it seemed that they had really grasped something of the truth. The great need is frequent visiting, but in all these parts there is but one Christian worker, who would have had to be dropped on account of the cut, had not his support been provided privately.

In one village visited by me many years ago a report had been made that I had been killed by witchcraft practised upon me by two men in the village. It was a joy to stand before them and testify that it was not in man's power to curse one who trusts in the living God.

There was much friendly mingling among the Brahmins, and particularly marked were the attentions and hospitality of a Brahmin schoolmaster, whose interest in the out-caste people proclaims him to be comparatively free from the trammels of his class. One longs for his complete emancipation through faith in Christ Jesus.

I wish I could describe to you the pleasant surprises we so often find as we go in and out among these villages. Here is a buxom Brahmin woman drawing water from the well, who greets us kindly, and her delicate husband, with

gentle voice and good English, telling us he knows the Gospel well, having been educated at the Mission School in Vizag. Here is a bright boy who invites us to his home, where we are welcomed by his sweet-faced mother with charming manners, and find that she, too, was a school girl in the Church Mission. We seem to meet so many who, at some time in their lives had been brought into contact with Christian teaching and were ready to recall the hymns and messages learned long ago. The fields are white unto the harvest, and we felt that concentration here or there might launch a mass movement.

Biblewomen.—Akkamma has indeed seemed a product of grace. Lacking in education, she has, by sheer force of Christian character, won her way into the hearts and homes of all classes of people. Zealous in her work, kind, loving and sympathetic, she is sought for on all domestic occasions, and her development is the cause of much wonder among those who knew her as an ignorant out-caste. But painful though it is to write it, our trusted and honored Biblewoman has fallen into grievous sin, and is now no longer a Biblewoman nor a member of the church. All who knew her grieve. She has shown such a humble and penitent spirit that we feel we must stand by her. Just what will be done we do not know.

And now it seems quite evident that Ruth, who accompanied Akkamma, and proved herself so useful, is developing leprosy. She is not in the contagious stage yet, and may continue in the work for a while. She is a sweet girl and a sweet singer, and was developing into a nice little worker. It is very sad, and a great loss indeed to be deprived of these two workers. Will you not pray that others may be raised up!

Elizabeth, the pastor's wife, works with Miss McLeish. Nookamma and Veramma continue to do good work in their villages.

School Work—Miss McLeish.

Our caste girls' school has its ups and downs, like many others. Early in the year both teachers were ill, and the rival school tried to secure many of our girls. The introduction of music, properly taught, crochet work and a library have added much to the interest, however, and been the means of attraction of new girls. We had a sad case of drowning before Xmas. One of our sweetest girls accidentally fell into a well and never regained consciousness after being taken out. It had a solemnizing effect upon her schoolmates.

Lily and Sarah are now assisted by S. Kanamma of Narsapatnam, and very fortunate are we to have such an efficient and consecrated staff.

As a result of the work of evangelism, it was laid upon us to build a school in the Mala hamlet, which is being taught by an enterprising Christian young man, deeply interested in his scholars. It is a pleasure to enter the school. The room is neat and attractively decorated with pictures and plants. The children, who were unkempt and undisciplined, now come with clean faces and sit down in orderly rows, eager to be taught. One week was so much in earnest that he woke his father at midnight to repeat the Lord's prayer.

This teacher has also started a night school for the boys who watch cattle by day for a living.

In the Madiga hamlet we have also started a new school among people who hitherto have been very hard to reach, but are now willing to send their children to school. We are hoping and praying that these small efforts may

act as a leaven, and the entire community become Christian in time.

Our evangelistic schools did not receive the attention we would like them to have, owing to shortage of teachers. However, we had a good rally of over 200. Each class responded to the roll call by a hymn, Golden Text or lesson story. Mr. Scott told an interesting Temperance story, and Miss Murray gave a good Scripture lesson. Last of all, each child was made happy by a picture card, a plantain and a bag of sweets.

Avanigadda—Miss McLaurin.

The regular work among the Christian women of the field is sadly hampered by our almost entire lack of competent leaders. The natural leaders, the pastors' and teachers' wives, seem insufficient for the task. They are young, irresponsible, untrained, or they are delicate and overburdened with family cares. Too, it has been a hard year. Floods, cholera and excessive rains have made it hard for the women in the villages to meet together to learn their Bible lessons. But they have doubled their contributions to their Women's Societies, and when we go to them on tour, are always ready for meetings, and show a commendable readiness to learn. They came well to the Association in January and listened with rapt attention to Miss Archibald's Temperance address. But we see that if we are to expect anything from the workers' wives, we must first train them, and we hope to do something definite along this line in the coming year.

Monthly meetings have been held with the S.S. workers to talk over and pray and plan for the work. Some are interested and doing fairly well. But our ideals are not by any means being reached. There are great obstacles in

the way—untoward circumstances, such as indifference of parents—attend our every effort. Still we shall keep on praying for wisdom and tact and love and a real interest in the children.

On tour we always have good times. Hindered as we were by excessive rains, lack of pony and tent, we spent 62 days in camp among the four churches on the field. When we visited Bordagunta, the country about was such a quagmire we couldn't go to the villages, so devoted ourselves to the Christian women. We had daily meetings in one of the few bazaars left, where the people have not yet believed.

I told the Christian women they were to do the testifying, and the Bible women were to keep quiet.

The women took hold well and astonished me by their testimonies. Each one selected a parable or an incident from Christ's life, told it briefly and well, and then applied the truth suitable to the audience, with admirable directness and point. One woman spoke twice, being moved the second time to give her own personal experience, a really telling one. The heathen women gave most earnest heed, and at the close several promised to come regularly to church. In one village we were taken to a caste woman we had visited years before, when she was rich and satisfied and wanted for nothing. She was still rich in goods, but her one daughter, her darling, had died in the meantime, and she wasn't quite satisfied. On our former visit she had been extremely argumentative and quite unimpressionable. This time she listened intently and said, "How blessed are you to have been brought up in the full light of this way from your childhood. We are still groping in the dark." "But," I said, "have you no light? Do your guides bring you no light? (for I noticed a Hindu Scripture in her hand). "Ah," said she, "if we pray, and beg, and beseech, and clasp their feet, they may give us a tiny, tiny ray, but nothing like the clear, full light you bring."

It is indeed an unspeakable privilege to teach such women.

Our greatest need is more workers. We have only three Biblewomen for field and station work. One, Jane, in Bordagunta, is too feeble to work outside of her own village, but she is invaluable there.

Martha and Nariamma have been my standbys; they are both splendid, gentle, sweet and good, intensely interested in their work, faithful and industrious; with the women, so kind and courteous and tactful that everybody loves them. They visit regularly five Brahmin houses and are received everywhere with the same respect and confidence given to me. They have about forty caste pupils, whom they teach at their own request.

They have started two little schools here in Avanigadda, with about 25 scholars in each, and are hoping for another in a near village very soon.

They accompany me on my tours, and are beautiful in their dealings with the Christian women, sometimes making a greater impression than even the Missionary herself.

Deenamma is almost finished her training, and is having a few months' valuable experience with Miss Hatch's Biblewomen, and learning something of the great work among lepers. She gives promise of being a faithful, good worker, and will be ready for active service about January.

Another young woman who has had a very real Christian experience has come to us, much against her people's wishes, and applied for work. She is quite illiterate, and will require four years at Vuyyuru. It seems a long while, but it is essential that our workers be trained.

I am expecting a better year for the Christian women in the villages because two of our workers have married trained Christian girls, and two more are getting ready for good work. It is a constant surprise to me what beautiful characters these out-caste women develop into when trained. Such a wonderful proof of God's power. And so the prospect brightens.

We do praise God for these reinforcements. And at a time when we were somewhat cast down, thinking of all our great work and how little we were, and how little we had to do it with, our hearts were cheered by the gift of

\$175 toward a tent for our work, one of our most pressing needs. So we were reminded once more that God knows and can supply all our needs, according to His riches in Christ Jesus, and in that faith we face another year of effort and opportunity on the Avanigadda field.

And now, in closing this report, we would like to draw attention to the two questions with which we face the coming year. One is the furlough of Miss Murray, and the other is the Avanigadda bungalow. Let us be much in prayer that our Missionary receive very clear and definite leading in the next two or three months, as to whether she should return in the spring or remain for her full term.

And for the bungalow, let us all hope and pray that our Father will put it into the hearts of some of His children, to whom He has entrusted the silver and the gold, to send us the means to provide this much-needed building. Several generous contributions would perhaps be an indication that it is the Father's will that we should undertake this work, and with a clear vision we would not hesitate to go forward.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN A. MOTLEY,

Cor. Sec.

Westmount, Oct. 1, 1917.

REPORT OF BANDS OF WOMEN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION SOCIETIES OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC, 1916-1917.

Is it worth while, we are sometimes inclined to question. Yes; yes; it is; so long as there are but two or three little ones to lead into the way of life everlasting and to teach of Christ's love for the lost world, where so many long for light, and to whom we, men, women and children, are commanded to bear that light, our own reward, or our condemnation, resting upon our obedience. Read in Ezekiel 33: "So, O Son of Man, I have set Thee as a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word of my mouth and warn them for me."

Beginning at Jerusalem, let us teach our children the responsibility which rests upon them. Mothers, your duty is

to see that your children are prepared to have a vital interest in what concerns their Master's kingdom. Churches, Circles, your duty is to the little ones. Unless there are no children in your church—and who can imagine a church without the dear little ones?—you have no valid reason for failure to have a Mission Band in good working order.

If we are to have Bands we must have leaders. The H. and F. Mission Societies are rightly agreed that Bands are a necessity for the welfare of our future work; but they cannot perform the duties required by our individual Circles, whose privilege it is to care for the Band.

Several Bands have been disappointed that reports of their work was not presented, but your Secretary was equally disappointed at not receiving the report from the Bands.

Allan's Mills Band has the proud record of being now 25 years old. Members agreed to celebrate by contributing an extra \$25 to missions, which was raised to \$30.

One Band is to practise self-denial this year, and little books have been given to members, in which to record these self-denials, and the books will be balanced monthly by the leader.

Several Bands have spent busy hours making various articles for sale. One Band made and sent a gingham dress to the child they support in India, as well as a nice patched quilt for use in Home Mission work. Another made and sent a number of pretty little workbags for the school children in India, along with a number of the Sunday School and other cards, so highly valued by our missionaries.

Many and varied have been the plans used to gather funds for H. and F. Mission work. Concerts, sales, vegetables and flowers raised, old rubbers disposed of, collections, mite-boxes, birthday parties, all of which gave no inconsiderable sum to aid our work.

Nor did the little ones forget "the strangers within our gates," for at Christmas time Ottawa First Church Band entertained 32 Slavie children to a tree, from which came gifts of a toy, some candy and a copy of John's Gospel for each of the 32 children.

All the Bands reporting have been receiving instruction; many use maps, pictures and models, which make lessons so delightful to children.

Visits from real live missionaries, too, give an impetus and arouse lasting interest. Mr. Timpany and Dr. Jessie Allyn have been most welcome guests.

Two new Bands are welcomed. One is reviving, and another has promised to attend to the request of a little one who asks when "our Band is going to meet," and who is saving pennies for "tired mothers and little children" of whom she heard at a Band meeting.

Band leaders must feel encouraged by the excellent work reported, and let others take up the work with new courage, not feeling weary in well-doing, no matter how meagre results may appear to be.

PAULINE RAMSAY,
Secretary for Bands, Eastern Ontario
and Quebec.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT—EASTERN CONVENTION.

RECEIPTS.		
Balance on hand, Oct. 1, 1916.....		\$1,239 78
Total receipts from Circles, as per detailed statement below.....		2,466 31
Total receipts from Bands, as per detailed statement below.....		374 29
Collections Taken—		
Convention.....	\$28 00	
Annual Meeting of Circles.....	3 55	
Eastern Association.....	7 38	
Canada Cent. Assn.....	3 50	
Ottawa Association.....	4 00	
Anniversary Meeting.....	3 00	
Special Board.....	16 26	
		65 68
Individual and Other Contributions—		
Estate Miss Jenny McArthur.....	\$12 97	
A friend (for alluru School).....	156 00	
Mrs. McDiarmid, Sandringham.....	30 00	
First Church Sunday School, Primary Dept., Montreal.....	15 00	
Miss Annie McPherson, Vankleek Hill.....	15 00	
Wk. D. McLaurin, Vankleek Hill.....	15 00	
Estate late Mrs. A. C. Whitfield.....	15 00	
Legacy, late Miss Martha Sawyer.....	500 00	
A Friend.....	15 00	
Mrs. Finlay.....	5 00	
Proceeds of Lectures.....	85 35	
Mrs. J. H. Metcalf, Thurso (Life Membership).....	25 00	
Mrs. Hopton, Montreal.....	10 00	
Philathea Class, Temple Church, Montreal.....	5 00	
Almonte, E. Y. P. U.....	11 00	
Mrs. Gardiner, Special Work.....	5 00	
Vuyuru Fund for Girls' Dormitories.....	136 17	
Brockville First Church Sunday School Class.....	14 00	
Interest, Bank of Nova Scotia.....	10 03	
Balance in India.....	20 07	
Winnipeg Philathea Class.....	18 00	
Rupece Fund.....	201 25	
		1,819 90
		\$5,465 96

DISBURSEMENTS.

Appropriations—		
Miss Murray and Kellaman-chill	\$902 00	
Miss Hannah's Salary	606 00	
Vuyyura Work and Boarding	1,000 00	
School	376 00	
Akeldi School	420 00	
Bolivia	75 00	
Narasapatnam	210 00	
Avanigadda	182 00	
		\$3,380 00
Special—		
Miss Hatch's Mission	8 60	
Speaker's Ex. to Convention	28 60	
Vuyyura Dormitories	1,000 00	
Dr. Chute's Work	15 00	
Half-Rental Anakapalle Bungalow	40 00	
		1,090 20
Printing	\$70 25	
Exchange on Rupee	24 86	
		94 91
		\$4,515 11
Balance in Bank, Sept. 25th, 1917	950 85	
		\$5,465 96

RECEIPTS—EASTERN ASSOCIATION.

Name	Circles.	Bands.	Totals.
Abbott's Corner			
Barnston	30 00		30 00
Beebe	12 00		12 00
Bulwer	7 00		7 00
Costleock	81 00	17 00	98 00
Costleock Junior	5 00		5 00
Disville	8 00		8 00
Moss River	14 75	17 00	31 75
Montreal—			
Olivet	87 75	18 00	105 75
Olivet Chapel			
First Church	286 00	23 00	409 00
Westmount	141 65	37 00	178 65
Pt. St. Charles	10 00	5 00	15 00
Tabernacle	20 00		20 00
Temple	13 00	35 50	48 50
Verdun	3 96		3 96
North Hatley	9 00		9 00
Quebec	64 50	15 00	79 50
Sawerville	7 35		7 35
Sherbrooke Junior	3 60		3 60
Waterville		7 60	7 60
	\$884 66	\$155 10	\$1,039 76

RECEIPTS—OTTAWA ASSOCIATION.

Name	Circles.	Bands.	Totals.
Breadalbane	\$8 00		\$8 00
Buckingham	2 20		2 20
Clarence	101 00	5 00	106 00
Cornwall	54 45	2 55	57 00
Dalesville	10 25	8 00	18 25
Dempsey	4 00		4 00
Dominionville	20 00		20 00
Grenville	5 00		5 00
Hawkesbury			
Kemptville			
Kennore	10 00	8 00	18 00
Lachute	8 00		8 00
Maxville			
Ormond	18 60	4 55	23 15
Osabruck	10 00		10 00
Osborne	85 70	15 00	100 70

Ottawa—

First Church	319 60	5 00
McPhail Mem'l	89 20	
4th Avenue	54 00	
Calvary	17 00	4 20
Metropolitan	47 00	
Highland Park	50 50	14 00
Hintonburg	1 00	
Papineauville		2 44
Rockland	59 46	5 00
South Gower	15 00	
Thurso	45 30	
Vankleek Hill	30 70	
Winchester		

RECEIPTS—CANADA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Name	Circles.	Bands.
Algonquin		\$ 35 00
Allan's Mills		
Almonie	12 45	
Athens	16 00	5 00
Arnprior		
Brockville, 1st Ch.	130 60	
Carleton Place		
Delta	23 00	16 00
Drummond	17 50	
Kingston—		
First Church	58 50	17 00
Union Street	15 50	
Lanark	10 00	
Porth	40 10	30 00
Pembroke		
Phillipsville	10 00	
Plum Hollow	28 00	8 25
Renfrew	18 00	1 00
Smith's Falls	102 50	17 00

Name	Circles.	Bands.
Grande-Ligne	\$10 00	\$5 00
Montreal French Ch.	10 00	
Ottawa French Ch.	10 00	
Roxton Pond	1 25	
Montreal, St. Paul's	5 00	
Marieville	1 00	
	\$40 25	\$5 00

SUMMARY.

Name	Circles.	Bands.
Eastern Association	\$884 66	\$155 10
Grande-Ligne Assn.	43 25	5 00
Ottawa Association	1056 25	90 84
Canada Cent. Assn.	485 15	128 35

Number of Circles contributing 32466 31
 Number of Bands Contributing 3274 29

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Total receipts for 1913-1914	\$1,140 00
Total receipts for 1914-1915	1,199 40
Total receipts for 1915-1916	1,205 00
Total receipts for 1916-1917	1,226 11

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Respectfully submitted,
 FRANCES RUSSELL

Treasurer.

Audited and found correct,
 ALFRED WALFORD, L.L.A.,
 Auditor.
 Montreal, September 26th, 1917.

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In the last Bureau advertisement a mistake was made regarding some of the pictures of our Missionaries.

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