

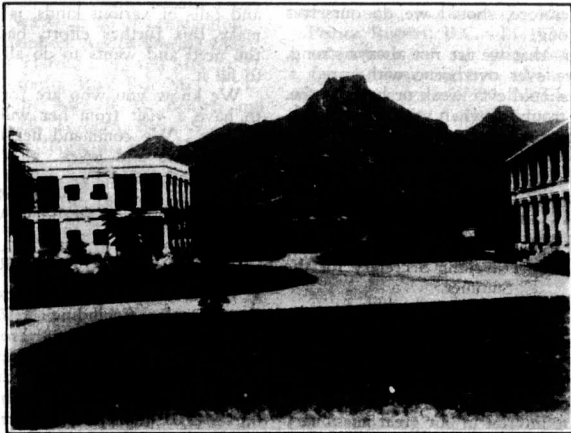
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A Glimpse of Vellore Women's Medical School—
Dr. Jessie Findlay's Present Home

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"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint."

Lord, what a change within us one short hour
Spent in Thy presence will avail to make,
What heavy burdens from our bosoms
take,

What parched ground refresh as with a
shower!

We kneel, and all around us seems to lower.
We rise, and all, the distant and the near
stands forth in sunny outline brave and
clear.

We kneel how weak, we rise how full of
power.

Why, therefore, should we do ourselves
this wrong,

Or others—that we are not always strong,
That we are ever overborne with care,

That we should ever weak or heartless be,
Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer,
And joy and strength and courage are with
Thee?

—Archbishop Trench.

FURTHER HELP FOR CIRCLES

Mrs. Veals, our Travelling Secretary for the
Summer.

In talking over the interests of our Women's Missionary Society, the Board felt strongly that we should have some one go about among our Circles and church women where there are no Circles, to help to sustain or create interest in our great missionary enterprise.

Some small group might welcome help in organizing; another group would wish suggestions as to best methods; others need inspiration to awake a greater desire for service.

We looked about among ourselves. Who could do this? Also who had the time and

spirit of sacrifice to undertake it? Then, as so often happens, one who was already carrying her full share in our work, was asked if she could consider more. Mrs. Veals, our Young Women's Secretary, was chosen; and she agreed to combine the work of Young Women's Secretary and Travelling Secretary for a few months. To as many as she can, she will lend a helping hand, either in organizing or to those who do not feel they are progressing or working to advantage.

Mrs. Veals, whose life is very full of duties and calls of various kinds, is still willing to make this further effort, because she sees the need and wants to do all in her power to fill it.

We know you who are fortunate enough to have a visit from her will welcome her warmly. We commend her to you as one who knows and loves all our missionary work.

Maud Matthews.

President W.B.F.M. Soc.

TREASURER'S CORNER

We have received since October 16, 1927: From Circles (including \$2972.61 Jubilee: \$93.50 extras) \$13,443.88; From Y. W. Circles (including \$477.04 Jubilee: \$2.50 extras) \$2362.94; From Bands (including \$34.35 Jubilee): \$2058.96; From Miscellaneous (including \$643.05 Jubilee: \$100.26 extras: \$621.25 legacies) \$4108.21.

Received for Jubilee Fund during May:—Circles—Windsor, \$10.60; Weston, \$12.25; Claremont, \$25.00; Midland, \$7.00; Reaboro, \$10.00; Binbrook, \$8.35; Toronto: Walmer Rd. \$323.00; Bloor St., \$150.00; Immanuel, \$50.00; Park Rd., \$94.75; Jordan, \$16.00; Indian Rd., \$12.68.

Y. W. Circles—Barrie, \$10.00; Toronto, Walmer Rd., \$318.50; St. Catharines, Queen St., \$5.25; Toronto, Calvary, \$11.44.

From Bands—Windsor, \$9.50; Cobalt, \$2.25.

From Toronto, Walmer Rd. Phil. Class, \$5.05. Total for month, \$1081.62. Total for Convention year \$4127.05.

Life Memberships During May

Circles—Miss Agnes W. Watson, Sarnia Central; Mrs. Thos. Large and Mrs. George Speedie, Toronto Bloor St.; Miss Alice Boulton, Windsor Temple; Mrs. Sarah A. Roy, Flesherton; Mrs. A. E. James, Brantford Park; Mrs. Charles Haight, Scotland; Mrs. A. Doolittle, Toronto, Danforth; Mrs. Fred Jones, Mrs. Julie Austen and Mrs. Annie Geisel, Toronto, Waverley.

Bands—Mrs. R. Mallowney and Miss Lillian Smith, Toronto, Walmer Rd.; (by Phil Class) Mrs. C. B. Freeman, St. George; Ellen Nicholl, Ethel McKenzie, Gladys Dumphy, Margaret Norwood, all of Leamington.

Jubilee Life Members Added During May:

Circles—Mrs. Harold Lang and Mrs. D. D. Thomas, of Toronto, Park Rd; Mrs. T. C. Gostie, Claremont; Mrs. R. C. Bensen and Mrs. J. T. Russell, Toronto, Bloor St.; Mrs. Albert Matthews, Toronto, Park Rd.

Some Questions I am Asked

When does the Jubilee Fund Close? Answer: On October 15th, 1927.

When is it best to send in Jubilee money? Answer: Whenever sufficient is on hand to make it worth while. Perhaps it would be well to send now the Jubilee money in your treasury, and send the balance just after October tenth, when Circle Books should close. A list of the total givings of each Circle and Band will be given in the Link just after my books close on October fifteenth. (Don't become confused, Circles books close Oct. 10; General Treasurer's on October 15th, each year).

Mary B. Piersol, Treasurer.

Mrs. W. H. Piersol,
35 Dunvegan Rd.,
Toronto 5.

LINK REPORT

Mrs. J. C. Doherty (Supt. Link Agents)

On holiday.—Before going, the Agent of First Church, Brandon, Man., reported on all renewals. A net gain of 9 was obtained. Is not this a good plan?

Stroughton, Sask.—Crops all hailed out but the Agent reaches the objective set with 6 over and above. She looks after the S. S. in the morning, teaches a S.S. class in the afternoon in a far-away place—back home for church at night—a 22 mile drive every Sunday. She represented the Mission Circle at the Sask. meeting over which she presided. She gave a talk to the children—(taken from the "Link"). She asks for more sample copies, as the work, under a McMaster student, is growing.

Portage La Prairie, Man.—Has all renewals in and Mrs. McKee gives us a net gain of 8—objective reached.

Dundas.—A net gain of 10 was set. A net gain of 11 has been secured.

Prince Rupert, B.C.—In 1925 there were 3 subscribers. A net gain of 5 was set as a fair Jubilee objective. What is the result? A net gain of 20 has been reached.

Because they are readers of the "Link" they know of the needs. Their Mission Band of 42 members is also flourishing. Just recently they made their leader a life member.

Shedden — Reached its objective—a net gain of 5, but has lost one. Hope soon to report all renewals in and net gain held.

Uxbridge—Reached Jubilee Objective — net gain of 5.

Mt. Hamilton—A new Agent—4 new subscribers.

Indiana, U.S.A.—Our South friend does not forget us. She sends with her renewal two dollars and fifty cents for new subscriptions. She rejoices that she can help carry on in this way.

Langton women are striving to regain ground. They reached their objective last year and will do their best to hold it.

NOTE

Notice the interesting and suggestive programme given on the next two pages.—Ed.

A PROGRAMME USED BY CALGARY, ALTA., AGENT FOR THE "LINK"

Object—To promote greater interest and to secure new subscriptions.

First Lady.—This afternoon we are to have a visit from someone, who is doubtless known to most of us, someone who comes to your homes several times a year. Sometimes when she comes we are so pleased to see her we sit right down to have a cosy chat with her—and that makes her very happy. Sometimes we are really too busy at the time of her call to talk to her, but we excuse ourselves and say, "Oh just sit down and wait until I get my duties done and I'll be right with you to hear all you have to tell me." And she is quite content to await our convenience, knowing we give her a welcome and will take time later to visit with her. Sometimes, I'm sorry to say, we receive her very coolly on her arrival—we have not time to be bathered with her at all. This brings her unhappiness. After she talks with us this afternoon I am sure we will never treat her like that again but will love to have her visit us. And to you who maybe will meet her for the first time this afternoon, we bespeak for her a welcome to your homes too. She is going to tell us a little of her history, when she was born, and where—and she isn't young either. She does not mind telling her age, in fact she is rather proud of it, because age has only served to add to her claims and to make her lovelier and stronger. Now meet our Canadian Missionary Link.

["Link" speaker, followed by the friends, and when through first lady resumes].

"Link"—Good afternoon, ladies. I can see that I am not a stranger to most of you. Some of you have known me for many years, but for the benefit of some, I am going to give you a little of my personal history. To do this, I must refer briefly to the life of our pioneer missionary in India, A. V. Timpany, because he was the man who was really responsible for my coming into being. One day as he sat on a log in his father's woods, he fought the battle of his life and God won out, and A. V. Timpany surrendered himself without reserve to go wher-

ever he might be called, though it might mean the separation from loved ones and from a home very dear to his heart. After some years of preparation, we enter with the missionaries that never-to-be forgotten meeting, held in a Baptist Church in Ingersoll on October 17, 1867, when Mr. Timpany and his young bride were dedicated to the work in India. Ontario's first contribution in manhood to that great work which was then in its infancy. If you want to be thrilled read the account of that in "The Enterprise." "I solemnly charge my brethren of my beloved Alma Mater, Woodstock College, before God," said he, "that you do not allow our challenge to lack a man among the heathen," and this solemn charge was kept by Woodstock so long as it was in existence. "Will we ever be sorry that we did what we could," said he? "Never, never! I am glad to go. When the call was announced the pent up emotion of that gathering broke and though \$50 was the sum asked for, the collection received that memorable night amounted to \$1152 and the meeting did not close till after midnight.

We have not time to follow Mr. Timpany during those first nine years spent there. The record of his accomplishments during that time were remarkable. He opened a school in Ramapatnam, organized two churches, trained workers, built ten chapel school houses, leaving ten in course of construction, did translations, etc. When he came home on furlough it was not to rest. He was on fire with the needs of India and he communicated this zeal to everyone who met him. Realizing that on that day when the women proclaimed "He is Risen",—right up to the present, women have played a large part in the spread of the Gospel, Mr. Timpany organized the women for work for their sisters in India. And as no one can be interested in anything they do not know about, he went further, and it was though his inspiration and encouragement that the organ of the newly-formed Societies was brought into being, and my first number contained an article in it from his pen.

All through these 49 years I have endeavored, as my name indicates, to be the "Link"

which binds the women of Canada with the women first in India and later in Bolivia.

But I have some good friends here to-day who have volunteered to tell you some of my features which they find helpful:

No. 1—Poetry. May I begin by giving you two samples of the selected poems which appear from time to time in the "Link."

"A Prayer." "The World's Bible."
(Read these).

No. 2—I was impressed with a sentence, "Who should give nothing to Missions?" And some very striking answers in a recent number of the "Link." (Read this).

No. 3—A sentence or two by way of introduction of two clippings re medical work in India.

No. 4—Sentence re value of work among the young in India, description of Caste girls' school and how it is conducted.

No. 5—Notes on Mrs. McLaurin's 80th birthday with a backward look at her life of service.

No. 6.—Item re how missionaries home on furlough are housed in Toronto (Cross & Turnbull's).

No. 7.—Item re Miss Palmer's doings in Bolivia.

[N.B.—All taken from very recent numbers. Have the ladies give these orally except in the case of the first two.

Other interesting items can easily be chosen. They should be up-to-date. The trouble is to discriminate as there are so many good things in the "Link."

First Lady.—I am sure, ladies, that these friends of the "Link" have demonstrated what a worth-while paper it is, but of course they could not hope to tell you all the interesting departments of the paper this afternoon. There are Mission Circle programs, hints to Mission Bands and Y.W. Circles, letters from our missionaries in India and Bolivia, the Budget, lovely stories, Reports of Conventions and meetings, information concerning the latest missionary literature, besides other items of interest—50c. a year—1c. a week brings it to your home eleven months in the year. What a small sum for such a helpful visitor. We are looking forward to

the time this year when the Home Mission paper, the "Visitor" will unite with the "Link." We cannot afford to be without the "Link." It inspires every one who reads to be up and doing to share the glorious task Christ Himself set us when He said "Go YE make disciples of ALL nations."

(Prepared by Mrs. Hunter).

CHRISTIANITY AND NATIONHOOD

By K. T. Paul
An Indian Christian.

Next only to education or perhaps of even higher value there is that magnificent service rendered by missionaries in the relief of disease and suffering. In the olden days almost every missionary attempted some medical relief. His daily and hourly contact with men and women compelled him to attempt it. But before long men and women trained technically in medicine and surgery came out to found what has happily proved to be an indispensable feature of every well-established mission in India. To-day it is undeniable that some of the most popular, best equipped and most ably conducted hospitals are maintained by missions, and they are well distributed throughout the country. Running the mind's eye over the map of our country one sees a galaxy of these stars in every quarter of the country. The hospitals and dispensaries conducted in 1923 by Protestant Missions alone numbered 221, the number of patients treated during the year 3,149,115, the number of beds maintained 4,590. The Roman Catholic Missions do a very considerable amount of work, probably quite as much as these magnificent totals.

The missions have had almost the monopoly in the conduct of Leper Institutions throughout the land. The Protestants alone conduct 68 of these institutions in the various provinces. Tuberculosis also claimed the very serious attention of missions. The service done in connection with this fell disease, and lives, some of them young lives, laid down for others in this regard—if the story were told of these it would be intensely romantic. There are eight sanatoria in different parts of India. Then there are homes for

the Blind, the Deaf and the Dumb in many parts of the country, where they are taught to read and write, as also some simple industry sufficient to bring to them an honest and useful livelihood.

Reclaiming the Fallen

How can we ever estimate the worth of the service for reclaiming "fallen women"? In very recent years much public attention has turned to this problem. Workers in this line will agree that it is difficult enough to place the necessary provisions negative and positive in the Statute Book, but that when that is done "fallen women" cannot be reclaimed unless they have somewhere to go to where they have straightforward opportunities for earning an honest livelihood. The conduct of such a "Refuge" is a very delicate matter and it simply could not be done excepting by the application of what is best in manhood and womanhood. It is the glory of Christian missions that this has been and is being done for our country in many parts. In this signal service there must be singled out the work of Miss Amy Wilson Carr, Michael, whose extraordinary energy and powers of organization have enabled her to do a piece of service worthy of the greatness of her own heart. She reclaims children, some of them even babes, the moment they are "married" off to a god and thus dedicated to lifelong prostitution. Her helpers secure these children in many parts of India and in her creches and homes she provides for all such unfortunate souls, large though their numbers be and of all ages, personal and parental care, and eventually first-class opportunities for growing into useful and honourable womanhood.

Another line of service of large magnitude is the uplift of the "depressed classes." The spread of Christianity in every country to which it originally went has been that way. "To preach the Gospel to the poor" is a regular slogan taken from Christ Himself. It is not only the fishermen of Palestine but also largely the slaves of the Roman Empire who embraced Christianity in very large numbers at the inception of the religion. So it was and is in India. In fact it is the glory of the missionary that it is so. To this day it is always a moot point in the mind of the young

missionary choosing to come out from Europe or America, as to which is the more glorious thing for him to do—to work among the "higher" strata through schools and colleges or to work among the poor and downtrodden in the villages and hamlets. The roll of missionaries in India would show a surprisingly large majority of the most brilliant sons of the Western universities burying themselves alive in the out-of-the-way villages in India. This is true of both Roman Catholics and Protestants. The comparatively rapid spread of Christianity in India is partly due to this. It has been pointed out that every decade has seen the Christian community increase by about 36 per cent. The quantity of the number has apparently not affected the constancy of the proportion. Also in every decade the religion advanced in a different part of the country, obviously due to the accessibility of new castes or tribes. Also aboriginal tribes like Ghonds and Santals, nomadic tribes like Sukalis and Domes, industrial people like the Sanars of the extreme South, the Madigas of the Telugu country, the Mongs of Maharashtra and the Shamars of the North, agricultural laborers like the Pariahs, the Malas and the Mahars, the very sweepers like the Chuhars—of all these, the lowliest of the low, none have been neglected. To-day it will probably be an accurate estimate to say that fully 60 to 70 per cent of the Indian Christian community, i.e., something over three millions, are drawn from such classes.

Raising the "Depressed."

But what has been done for them? Has it meant to them merely a change of religion? Almost never. Here and there "Mass-Movements" have certainly run beyond the resources of missions. This is particularly true, I think, in parts of the Punjab and the Gangetic plain. But, taken as a whole, that is, thinking of the millions, it should be realised and realised thankfully that the work has not been merely "a nominal change from one superstition to another," but it has been a thorough-going effort to civilize them and present to them every possible opportunity for betterment. They have still a long way to go,

but they have been and are being all the time carefully, vigilantly and even tenderly "shepherded." Schools and Churches and pastoral visitations assist their living conditions. Habits of scripture study and prayer are inculcated persistently. Female education, that infallible lever of uplift, is insisted on vigorously. "The second generation" is in many cases distinctly better, though it is always distinctly more difficult to deal with. When the third and fourth generations arrive Christian principles of freedom begin to get naturalised in the fundamental bases of their mentality. I wish I were free to mention the names of individuals who, by rising to marked prominence and acknowledged respect by all communities, have, in almost every language-area, demonstrated unmistakably the success of this method. Among them at the present day are many hundreds of university graduates and they occupy positions of influence and approved efficiency in every honorable walk of life, some of them having risen to be principals of colleges, leaders at the bar, and to many of the highest positions in the Revenue and Judicial Departments of Government.

Proselytism and Conversion

All these things that I have claimed on behalf of Christian missions will be reckoned by the Christian missions themselves to be of less moment when compared with the central purpose of their presence in India. Let it be frankly said that the Christian missionary is here not primarily for educational or social or economic service or even for medical relief, it is not for these things that he dedicated his life on the altar of God. He is here with a clear purpose. If he does these things it is only because they are in line with the accomplishment of his central purpose, only because, being good in themselves, he cannot but do them when he is in a mission of helpfulness. What is his central purpose then? This leads us to the next section, the one of Conversion and Proselytism.

(To be continued)

"The Fellowship"

Edited by Dr. Stanley Jones.

THOMAS GABRIEL AND DAS ANTHRAVADY

From Rev. John Craig's Biography in "Telugu Trophies"

Das Anthravady was born in 1822. His father was employed as a clerk in charge of the Officers' Mess of a Madras regiment. While travelling with his father this boy saw many of the great cities of India, bathed in its sacred rivers, and learned how to take care of the Officers' Mess in a regiment. After his father's death Anthravady was appointed in charge of the Officers' Mess in the 41st Madras Native Infantry.

One day he found a Telugu tract, then some other tracts, and then a Bible, which he read diligently. He went to a Baptist missionary to get a prayer-book, that he might learn how to pray. The missionary gave him the only prayer-book he had—another Bible. Reading this book without the help of any teacher he was converted. Soon after he was in Vizagapatam and saw Rev. J. Hay, a Congregationalist missionary, who sprinkled him. Wherever the regiment was stationed Anthravady sought the company of the missionary and was an apt learner.

Anthravady soon began to bear witness for Christ in the regiment and to hold a Bible class for young people every night from 9 o'clock till 11. Three men were baptized and later twenty-two more. The Baptist missionaries examined and baptized these converts. In March, 1860, Anthravady, after much prayer and study, decided that he himself should be immersed according to his Master's command.

It was soon after this that he began to work diligently for the conversion of the men in his regiment. Soon after this he reported the conversion of one hundred and twenty persons. A missionary came at first and baptized the converts, then they ordained Mr. Anthravady.

On one occasion the commanding officer told this clerk and preacher that he must choose between preaching and managing the Officers' Mess. He was given three days to decide. When asked by the commander what decision he had come to, he replied, "As I

told you before, sir." The commander told him to go elsewhere, and Anthravady said, "All right, sir, I shall take leave, good-bye." The officer, after he had gone a short distance, called him back and said: "Great is your faith as well as your zeal; do your duties as before."

A church was formed in the regiment which now moved to Vizianagram, and our mission work there was largely identified with the church in the regiment. Nine believers were baptized here. One of his previous converts had gone to the village of Akulatampara and through his work a small church was organized there. In 1876 our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, went to Parlakimedi, near this village, and opened the Canadian Baptist Mission Station there. The church at Akulatampara was then placed under the care of our Mission and has been a prosperous cause ever since.

Mr. Anthravady continued to follow his regiment and to preach the Gospel. He died in December, 1880. He had served the officers for thirty-three years and was buried with full military honors, the service being conducted by the commanding officer.

Thomas Gabriel was born in 1837 at Masulipatam, India. As a boy his parents, though Hindus, sent their son to Mission School. He was then called Marayya. When Marayya was about twenty-two, he became a Christian and chose a new name. Henceforth he was Thomas Gabriel.

Thomas took up work as operator in a Government telegraph office and was sent to Cocanada, then a town of about 20,000. From here he was transferred to Bombay, but on the way he was taken ill and was in a hospital in Madras for some time. Now, at this time the 41st Madras Native Infantry was in Madras and Anthravady Das went to the hospital to visit some patients. He found Gabriel there and brought a message of such power that Thomas Gabriel experienced a revival of spiritual life, was soon after immersed and joined a Baptist church.

While he was ill another man was sent to Bombay and Gabriel went back to Cocanada. He now gave up his work as telegraph operator, with a good salary, in order that he

might preach the Gospel without hindrance.

Gabriel went to the Kolair Lake region on the Akidu field to visit relatives. Everywhere he went he preached the great message. His sister and her husband, Karre Samuel, then Samuel's brothers Andrew and Peter, were converted. These three men were afterwards leaders in our mission work in its early years.

A Church of 150 members was gathered and financial help was greatly needed for teachers and other preachers. Gabriel tried a tannery to provide money, but the tannery failed and Gabriel was in distress. He got a cart and set out for Madras, 300 miles away, travelling two miles an hour. "His mind was on Madras, his hope was in the Lord."

At Ramapatnam, on the way, he stopped over Sunday and met Rev. J. B. McLaurin, who was then in charge of the American Baptist Mission Station there. He told Mr. McLaurin of his work and his need and next day went on to Madras. He got no help and went back to Cocanada, where he tried the tannery again, and again the tannery business failed.

In 1873 Gabriel asked the Ontario and Quebec Baptists to take over his Mission. Mr. McLaurin and Mr. Timpany, who had kept in touch with Gabriel since their meeting in Ramapatnam some time before, favored the proposition.

The Convention met in Brantford that year, and late in the evening of October 16th, a meeting of the Foreign Mission Board was held in Mr. Shenstone's home. Mr. William Craig, Vice-President, was in the chair, and they decided to take up the Mission. Dr. Fyfe was asked to go to Boston to arrange with the American Baptist Board for the release of Dr. McLaurin, etc. A message was sent to Mr. McLaurin to go to Cocanada. The message left Boston at four o'clock October 28th, 1873. It reached Madras in nine hours and a quarter. Then by mail runners it went to Ongole, a hundred and eighty miles, and reached Mr. McLaurin on November 3rd. Thus in answer to Gabriel's appeal, and at the call of God, our Canadian Baptist work among the Telugus began.

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Our Work Abroad

BOLIVIA BAPTIST MISSIONS IN 1926

Rev. H. E. Stillwell

The Problem.—Because Bolivia has been for 400 years under the influence of a Roman Catholicism which, while making a great outward display in large cathedrals and spectacular ritual, is spiritually **dead**, the Bolivian is thoroughly accustomed to an entire divorce between religion and conduct. When one speaks of repentance, conversion, prayer, a living, indwelling Christ, one is speaking in a strange tongue as far as the people are concerned. So when a baptized believer slips back into the old life, he and his neighbors think nothing unusual has happened. The problem, therefore, has been to make the church members realize and feel deeply that the future of evangelical work in Bolivia lies largely with them. The Bolivian Christians need to be upheld by the prayers of Canadian Baptists.

A Fortunate Failure.—From the very beginning of Protestant work in Bolivia the Catholic Church has both publicly and secretly created all the opposition it could. That it is still true to form was evident last year when the Bishop of La Paz undertook to raise a fund of one million dollars for the ostensible purpose of educating the hitherto neglected and illiterate Indian population and, in doing so, succeeded in influencing the Government to curtail Protestant educational privileges in a district so far from La Paz that it was hoped the action would pass unnoticed. The unexpected result was a bitter campaign in opposition by the press, the Labor Party, and especially by the 2,000 students in La Paz. Crowding into the grounds of the Bishop's palace, the students vented their feelings with shouts of "Down the Roman Clergy", "Down the Bishop of La Paz and his black heart," "Down the Roman Church," "Down the Pope." The Bishop immediately withdrew his campaign for funds and the Government order was rescinded. The result has been wholly to the discredit of a degenerate Roman Catholicism and in favor of a sincere and regenerating Protestant ministry. This revelation of the people's feeling

is alone enough to make 1926 stand out conspicuously amid the years.

Public Preaching.—Another evidence of changing conditions in Bolivia is the fact that Mr. Turnbull has been granted permission by the city authorities of Cochabamba to preach in the open market square—a privilege which it has taken twenty years to secure in this fanatical centre, where our missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Reekie, once were stoned in the streets. Thus does a great door and effectual open wide and wider.

Progress in Quillacollo.—Seven miles from Cochabamba is our newest mission centre, Quillacollo, where Mr. and Mrs. Hillyer lived until May, when they moved into Cochabamba to succeed the Turnbells, who were coming on furlough. Writes Mr. Hillyer: "As Mr. Haddow night after night expounded the truths of Paul's letter to the Galatians, the people gave rapt attention. The interest increased until we had fifty-six to the final service. As you know, it is a great victory in Bolivia to get people inside the door and seated."

Reekie College, Oruro.—During the year the dormitories on the second story were finished and the first class in the Secondary Department opened with ten students. The full attendance in the College has been ninety-six, almost as many more being refused for lack of room. Miss Clarke has served through the year with her usual efficiency. Mrs. Vickerson was married in March to an American mining engineer and so is no longer a missionary of the Board. Miss Slack, who had been released for work among women and children in Oruro, has taken Mrs. Vickerson's work when necessary. Mrs. Haddow, in addition to her medical ministry as a nurse among the school children, has had a general clinic, which has furnished an opportunity for not a little helpful service.

Peniel Hall Farm.—At the end of the year Mr. and Mrs. Plummer, who come from Vancouver, and Miss Marjorie Palmer, from Ontario, passed their second or final examinations in Spanish, so that now they are able to give themselves more unreservedly to service.

Mr. Plummer, who is a B.S.A. of the University of B.C., is studying carefully farming conditions at an altitude of 12,500 feet, with a view to improving them, but, along with Mrs. Plummer, chiefly stresses evangelism. He is assisted by Senor Valverde, who interprets for him when he speaks with the Aymara Indians on the Farm. Both Valverde and his wife were three years ago led to Christ by Mr. Wintemute, who recently baptized them. He belongs to the low class cholo or half-Indian, half-Spanish breed, his mother speaking only the Indian language, Aymara. Mr. Plummer says: "Such sincere application of Christianity to daily life as his is not very common anywhere in the world and is especially striking here where Romanism has separated religion absolutely from everyday life and made it worthless."

The second phase of the work is that done in the School. When Miss Booker came on furlough, Senor Daniel Ruiz was removed from La Paz to the Farm to take charge of the School. As he knows both Spanish and Aymara, he is especially fitted for the work, which is prospering under his care.

The third phase of the work among these Indians is the medical ministry carried on by Miss Palmer. Although not a fully trained nurse she has by her skill well met a great need. She has had to care for people torn by bulls, with dislocated shoulders, with fractured arms and with wounds discolored and emitting pus. In one case she vaccinated a whole school with a view to preventing a smallpox epidemic. Probably the most striking operation was that in which, with only a sharpened carving knife and the help of Mrs. Plummer in giving the anaesthetic, she successfully amputated an Indian lad's hand, saved his life, and thus opened a door of access into the hearts of the stolid parents. With a special gift of \$200 she has built a small dispensary, which aids greatly in her medical ministry.

Campaign of Evangelism.—During the year a Mr. Strachan, of Costa Rica, and Senor Varetto, of the Southern Baptist Mission in the Argentine, conducted a campaign of evangelism in Oruro, Cochabamba and La Paz. The fanaticism of Cochabamba caused

the results there to be small, but in Oruro, where audiences ranging from 400 to 1,000 met in the theatre, quite a number professed conversion. In La Paz the beautiful Baptist Chapel, seating 350, was crowded at times with about 500 people. Baptisms followed these meetings. Further, they created a great interest in this city of 120,000 people, with Bolivian Senators and Cabinet Ministers attending them.

Character of New Converts.—While baptisms of recent years have not been numerous, the character of those baptized has been unusually encouraging. Indeed, all the hundreds or more members in the three churches in Bolivia are hand-picked, and around each individual soul there has been a battle fiercely fought by the angered Roman Catholic Church.

—Western Baptist.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTER SENT BY MISS PRATT.

Extracts from a letter from one of my former S. S. boys who is now studying medicine in Vizagapatam.—L.P.

"We had wonderful lectures by Dr. Jones in the last month. Time permitted me to attend all the meetings held for Christians, but I could not go to the lectures for Hindoos because I was busy with my college. I felt much for not knowing short-hand, else I would have taken down every word from him. Yet I took some notes.

Along with me three Hindoo Medical students also came to the meetings and their hearts are now moved and they began to read the Bible, one chapter a day. I go to them daily and discuss on the chapter read and offer a short prayer and come back. Please remember these Medical students in your prayers.

Dr. Jones' lectures opened my eyes. I have known the hungering and thirsting after righteousness, and, praise God, I know the great joy that filled my heart and soul when by the grace and mercy of God I know the Saviour was mine and my sins were forgiven and now my precious Saviour satisfies my soul as nothing else could do. Now I am

praying and hungering for other souls to know Him and rejoice with me in His great love, and I want to help to win others for His kingdom, to His praise.

Let me complete my letter with my duties here. Last Wednesday in our Hospital here was an old man who was on his death-bed suffering from pneumonia. I went to his bed from my ward. I felt his pulse, it was very rapid. I sat by his side, caught his hand and while observing further he called out loudly, "Rama, Rama, save me, take me away soon." Then I told him, "Sir, Jesus Christ is standing at your bed ready to save you. He will take you to the Golden City if you believe Him and call Him to save you." Just a few seconds before his departure he with a low voice said, "Save me Jesus". Then with a long breath he pronounced in a whispering voice, "Je-sus." His heart beats then stopped.

Yesterday a young Hindoo girl studying in the 4th form came to our Hospital to be dressed for a wound on the leg. While dressing I asked her if she ever prayed to God to be cured from this wound. She told me no. I told her God will help her if she prays Him through Jesus Christ. She told me that she was studying in a Mission school she heard about Christ but now she forgot all. So she request me to give her a Testament promising me that she would read it daily and pray on the subject. Today I gave her a New Testament and I am sure that our Lord will help her in studying the Bible.

With all best wishes to you,

Yours sincerely,

Ponmul Devanandam.

MISS MASON ON TOUR

From "Field News"

From camp she writes: "Brahmanandam fasted and prayed to-day. He says that his fellowship with Jesus has made him feel happy and strong. He has been reading Visions of the Spiritual World, by Sadhu Sundar Singh to me, and he sometimes weeps in prayer for his longing to know Christ better.

"We are glad we came here. It is really

the Home Mission Field, but four of our Christians lived here. As nobody preaches the gospel in these parts, I come sometimes. Three of these Christians are out of fellowship with the church, but the Lord is bringing them back. One man came six miles and stayed three days to hear the gospel. He says he is going to be baptized. We have had two wonderful night meetings. Last night several held up their hands for prayer. Brahmanandam is preaching the Cross now to several who have come to the tent.

"The preachers and Biblewomen and I go to two different villages every morning. We have crowds and great interest. But the sun almost kills me getting home at noon. Today I lay down for two hours, but still my body aches and my head is light.

"We finished up our tour there with a great night meeting. Mr. Kesava Rao, the fine Brahmin, came to help the last day. In that meeting, the questions were just fired at him and he fired back the answers until the Hindus said they had nothing more to ask. Many are saying, 'This is the religion for me.'"

Concerning the next tour, Miss Mason writes:

"We are in a forest bungalow for which I give rent. It is cooler than the tent. This is a forest place where wild animals roam and where the rebels used to. We have visited several villages and will move on tomorrow to another place. There are so many villages hidden away in the forest and hills. I will have to leave them without the gospel, for it is impossible for one lone woman with her helpers to reach the 693 villages on this field. Five hundred of them are in the Agency or jungly hill district in almost inaccessible places. There are 178,827 people in these villages and the area of the field is 1263 square miles. 738 square miles of this is in the Agency, the most difficult country. These are the latest figures. I have penetrated only a short distance in this mysterious Agency section."

"To-day, as Brahmanandam and I approached a village in the Agency, we were forcibly reminded of the rebellion. There, under a tree, sat about twenty hill-men with

bows and arrows all ready to shoot. These arrows have a sharp iron point which kills the victim. As they used to hunt men and especially white men, I thought perhaps they were after me, but they said they were after animals. Weapons were laid aside as they followed us to the temple verandah and gathered the rest of the village and listened eagerly to the gospel. The munsiff, or mayor, who, a few months ago, shot a tiger as it returned to devour the body of the man it had killed the day before, and who received Rs. 180 as bounty, was especially interested. The munsiff of a neighboring village, whom we visited last year, seems near the Kingdom. He has told the other munsiff of our coming and so had prepared the way.

"We are camping in a large village at the foot of the hills which was the base of supplies during the rebellion. Night before last, when hundreds of caste people were listening spell-bound to the story of the Cross, told by Lydia, a man was rebuked for smoking. He resented it, and in the twinkling of an eye, we had a fight on which might have resulted in bloodshed. I was scared when I saw them knocked and kicked about under foot. Brahmanandam threw his arms around them and I went into the fray and implored them to stop. So they did and all went on listening as if nothing had happened.

"We were so pleased that Brahmanandam, who was the only Christian in the McLaurin High School to matriculate last year, received first prize in Bible and second in general proficiency. Through his influence his father and sister were baptized in September. The father, of the gold smith caste and versed in Hindu philosophy and Vedantism, has for years been convinced of Christ, but he had held back from open confession. As a consequence, he fell into grievous sin. But on a visit last August he said, 'All the hindrances have been removed. Let me be baptized quickly.' So very happily, we complied with his request. As he was baptized in his own village, a large crowd of Hindus came to the ceremony. His address on 'We beheld His glory, full of grace and truth,' was very appropriate for the thinking sages of his acquaintance, one of whom, a Komite, held his

hand as he walked from the baptism. Surely a unique sight! When I asked him if he were happy, he said, 'Oh, heavenly joy,' with shining face. But he has an incurable disease which may soon prove fatal. If he were spared, his testimony for Christ would be of great value."

"If I could paint you the picture of the thousands that I have personally visited in 127 villages this past year, if you could see the open doorway of opportunity, I am sure it would lead you to pray and to give of your substance, and for some, it would mean the consecration of their lives for the joy of winning men and women for Christ."

FROM MISS CLARKE

Sompetta, Ganjam Dist., India
Feb. 17th, 1927.

Dear Friends:

I feel it a pleasure as well as a duty to have a little chat with you this morning. Our cold season has said farewell to us, I think, for we are having what seems like the hot season winds blowing the last few days. The thermometer was up to 87 by ten o'clock yesterday, but the mornings and the evenings are lovely still.

Four years ago there was organized in this Pres. what is called "Child Welfare Week," that is that every town and large village set apart a week for aggressive Health and Sanitation propaganda. In our town a little has been done, but we have had very little to do with it as the people in charge thought themselves quite sufficient. One year I was asked to stand out on the street and help the judges to decide which of the outcaste babies who gathered there was eligible for a prize. They would not touch them but walked down the line and pointed out the ones they thought looked all right, I found that one so chosen had a big abscess on its side that much of it was covered.

Last year we tried to help, my sister asked that the women all come to the hospital and that she would give them a talk on what they ought to know about the care of their houses and children. One big lawyer jumped up and came over to her and said, "You will say nothing about religion." She said, "I have an-

nounced what my subject will be." He rushed up to the platform and announced that he had Dr. Clark's promise she would say nothing about religion, she felt very much like getting up and saying something but we thought it best to let the remark go. Some women came, but none of that man's household.

Three months after that man disappeared; completely disappeared in the night, leaving no trace, and up to the present there has been no tidings. They searched tanks and wells, his relatives have spent hundreds of rupees visiting all the holy shrines from one end of India to the other thinking he has gone off as a Fakir. His wife went home to her father's and after the ninth little one arrived the father decided his son-in-law must be found, so left for Banares, the most sacred city in India. Poor old man, he never returned, for he contracted cholera and within a week word came of his death, but no word of the missing man.

Two sisters and their families have been to our hospital quite often for treatment since their brother's disappearance. They are very sad and say they have no idea whether he is dead or alive, but what I started out to say is, that he was not here this year to run the "Baby Week."

The Sanitary Inspector invited us to join with the citizens of the town in a general meeting to talk over the matter and see what could be done. A committee was formed and my sister was asked to act on it so they got out a week's programme. **1st day** was cleaning up the streets and the sweepers of the cleanest streets were awarded prizes.

2nd day, School Day.—All sorts of races and games with prizes for the winners. After the games all assembled in the Board school and about a dozen boys gave short talks on benefits of good air, exercise, and clean water, most of them spoke in Telugu, but one who thought himself pretty smart tried English and three Oriya. An Oriya boy carried off one of the prizes.

3rd day was our special day. A large number of women came to the hospital in the afternoon and we had a splendid meeting. Not only did they listen well but they asked very intelligent questions. After the meeting my

sister took them in a few at a time and showed them her private ward, all ready for an emergency case and explained again how she cared for mother and child. She had two fine babies to show. The pastor's baby, seven months old, who is just a perfect boy and has only had two doses of medicine since he was born, the other one is two months younger but as healthy as can be. He is our "House boy's" baby, and Ramaswami is very proud of him.

4th day was Baby Show and the committee asked me to let them have my new school building for the afternoon, as it was right down in the town, and they hoped to get the caste children also. Although the school girls had been given leave they were there in full force to see the fun, and any who had baby brothers or sisters brought them along, so by the time we got there it was regular bedlam. Early in the morning soap, nuts and oil had been given out and all told that every baby must have a bath before they came.

We certainly did have all kinds of babies, poor little skinny ones, some covered with itch, others with their heads one mass of sores, but there were some healthy plump ones, some as pretty as a picture with only cocoanut oil for a dress. Judges were late so that many were tired and hungry before the judging began. Very few of the caste mothers came, so sent babies by their older sisters and grandmothers. When all the babies were counted there were so many more than they expected, they had to send for more biscuits. They decided to put all the best looking ones in one place and send the others home as soon as they got their biscuits. Everything was going on nicely when some one raised the cry that we were going to vaccinate those we asked to stay. Some made a rush for the door, and nothing we could say would reassure them, and away they went, so that when the prize giving came there was not a third really healthy baby boy for third prize so two boys and four girls got the prizes. Ramaswami's baby got a prize, and I am quite sure that if our pastor's baby had been there he would; but Krupparao had fever that day and his wife did not feel like leaving him to take the baby. My Oriya teacher's little girl got a prize also.

The 5th day was a Magic Lantern in front of our hospital. The District Sanitary officer had promised to come with his lantern. He sent the lantern and there was no one who had any experience to run it, so they did not get a good light, and while the lecture was good the pictures were so dim they were a disappointment. I decided the first time I got a chance I would learn to run an Ascetylene light so as to be ready for an emergency such as we had.

Last day, Saturday, was the winding up of affairs. A public meeting in the Government girls' school to which all the prize winners were invited. The Committee requested that I take the chair. Programme consisted of singing by the girls, then they went through the "Colartum" a very pretty Indian exercise very like the "Maypole dance"; this they did very well. Prizes were then distributed, and glad was I to have the help of the Government School Headmaster to read off the names for some of them were almost too big a mouthful for me.

After the prize distribution there were several addresses on different phases of health, mostly in English for the Munsiff is an Oriya man, also the local Indian Doctor being a Mohammedan, he said he could not make an address in Telugu. In my closing remarks I congratulated the committee on their good work and the success of the week, also tried to impress on them that every week should be health week, and if each one did his part we would have a much healthier town. At present Smallpox is very bad in some of the streets, and there is nothing being done to segregate the sick ones. People are so afraid of vaccination they hide their children, so mortality is very high. In some statistics read at one of the meetings it was stated that one out of every five children born in Ganjam District dies under two years of age.

There have been a few cases of cholera, also and there is every danger of more following for our tanks are all empty and wells low. There is every prospect of a water famine this hot season. We have been here the two last hot seasons but plan to go to Octacamund to Mr. Churchill's house for the months of May and June. We both had boils after last

season, and it was attributed to two hot seasons on plains, so we will not risk another without a change, much as we would prefer to stay right here among our people.

Sincerely yours,

Martha Clark.

THE BHAKTA'S DAILY DOZEN

By Ralph S. Cushman

First, turn your heart to God for grace
Before you look on any face.

Next, breathe a word of thankful greeting
To Him who watched while you were sleeping.

Now, if you find this hard to do,
Invoke your will to help you through;

Just clinch your hands or turn your head,
Twill drive the night mists from your bed.

Next say a verse or hum an air
To make an atmosphere of prayer.

At length, when mind is keenly turning,
Repeat some new verse you are learning.

Then it will surely clear your vision
To voice in words the day's decision;

To talk with Christ about your work,
For Heaven can never bless a shirk.

And now, prepared the day to meet,
Arise and stand upon your feet.

Then, from the table while you're dressing,
Glean something from the Book of Blessing;

And, for the climax of all motion,
Fail not to kneel in sweet devotion.

So go you forth with smile to greet
The first and every heart you meet;

And all day long your soul will thrive,
And men will thank God you're alive.

—The Fellowship.

Among The Circles

STUDENTS AND BIBLEWOMEN

At the May Board meeting the question of Biblewoman and student support was discussed. For many years the names of attendants at Cocanada Boarding School were assigned to Bands, other organizations and individuals for support. A couple of years ago it was found necessary to discontinue the practice of assigning definite students to Bands and now it has been decided to carry this policy farther and to cease to assign student's name to any supporter. It is thought that anyone wishing to pay for the education of a child in India would be content to fund a "scholarship" and leave it to the discretion of the Board and Missionary in charge as to which pupil then in the school this scholarship should apply. It is proposed to furnish donors of scholarships with pictures of groups of students in our schools. This should prove of great interest to our Bands, and other folk.

Biblewomen are more permanently in our Mission than students, and it is possible, and desirable, that those supporting them know them by name. There are still a few to assign. In addition to Biblewomen there are nurses in Pithapuram, and teachers at Rama and Cocanada whose names can be assigned.

If you wish to found a scholarship send \$25.00 a year to the Treasurer, Mrs. Piersol; she will, as far as possible, furnish a student group picture. If you wish to support a Biblewoman, nurse or teacher, send \$40.00 a year to Mrs. Piersol and write Mrs. Firstbrook for the name and location of your worker. We can also furnish names of a few workers whose support is greater than \$40.00 a year. We very gladly welcome scholarships and requests for Biblewomen and other workers.

Mrs. W. H. Piersol, Treasurer,
35 Dunvegan Rd.,
Toronto 5.

Mrs. Harold Firstbrook, Secretary,
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Toronto.

"The secret of a strong life is a strong secret life."

FIRST BAPTIST WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, REGINA, SASK.

The thirty-fifth anniversary of the F. B. W. M. S., Regina, Sask., was held on April 22nd at the delightful home of Mrs. J. L. Anderson. Mrs. G. Wilson, the president, opened the meeting and Mrs. McClain followed with an inspiring Bible reading and prayer.

Mrs. H. Nobles, the pastor's wife, gave us a few items of interest in connection with the life of the Rev. E. J. and Mrs. Church, on their work in India.

Delightful solos were rendered by Miss A. Pratt, and Miss June Kinter. Mrs. J. P. Smith closed with prayer. Our treasurer, Miss Sarah McDougal, is a charter member and has been our treasurer for thirty-five years.

Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess and a birthday cake with thirty-five candles was donated by Mrs. W. Arens.

Mrs. B. Jones, Secretary.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

Holds Birthday Meeting and Luncheon

Fifty-five members and friends of the McDonald Baptist Church Mission Circle enjoyed the annual birthday meeting and luncheon, Thursday, May 12th, at one o'clock, in the school room of the church. Mrs. J. I. Eunson and Mrs. J. H. McIntyre were the hostesses, assisted by several young ladies of the church.

Rev. A. C. Bingham, the pastor, and Rev. Russel McGillivray, of Central United Church, were the guests of honor.

After luncheon a short business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. A. C. Bingham, followed by a devotional paper led by Mrs. E. R. Munro, on the "Indwelling Power of the Holy Spirit in the lives of Christ's Followers", showing us how Christ is underneath us, over us, before us, behind us, beside us, leading us on to victory. Mrs. W. H. McLeod sang an appropriate solo, "Make me a channel of blessing."

Rev. Mr. McGillivray was the speaker of the afternoon, giving a most helpful address on the life of a converted Hindu priest.

Mrs. Harold Field sang a solo accompanied

by Mrs. Pankherst, and Mrs. Willis Kitchen gave two readings.

The Birthday offering was thirty-five dollars.

G. S. Munro.

A RED LETTER DAY.

Women's Mission Circle, James St. Baptist Church, Hamilton.

Who can foretell the advent of a Red Letter Day? By a combination of happy circumstances, our Circle experienced such a visitation at its last monthly meeting Friday, June 3rd.

We were privileged in having present four missionaries, each taking some part.

It was the day of bringing in the Jubilee Offering, the programme having been arranged by Mrs. Hendry, who, with Mrs. Batty, and an able committee, had been busily securing the funds. The objective of at least one dollar for each of the ninety-five members and three Jubilee Life Memberships, was more than reached, and the total of \$300 looks nearer. The Life Memberships came as a delightful surprise to Mrs. Foster (our beloved President), to Mrs. Wolfkill, who has perhaps given more years of service to our Lord through one church than any other member, and to Mrs. Mitchell (a recognition of what she has given to further the Gospel in Bolivia). The presentations were made with kindly loving appreciative expressions by Mrs. E. Booker (mother of Miss A. Booker), Mrs. Hendry and Miss Somerville, respectively.

Miss Priest, our speaker of the afternoon, was affectionately introduced by Mrs. Benson, who has known and worked with her in India. Miss Priest's birthday coming on the 15th inst., was gladdened by a gift of roses—a greeting in advance. Her heart stirring address will long be remembered, a story simply told, of the wonder of God's grace and power in her life work. In everything by prayer and supplication she made known her difficulties and wants to the Heavenly Father. The evidences of His love and care have been wonderfully unfolded in her work at Tunj. One instance, in buying land on

which her bungalow and compound were built, it seemed such a large piece, but could be bought no other way, fearing lest the supporters at home would not approve—but since, when a boarding school was needed, there was enough land already paid for on which to build the school. She spoke of Miss Eaton, the principal, as God's gift to the school.

Miss Alice Booker's Bible reading on the Joy of the Lord very fittingly followed.

The White Cross work and gifts for our assigned missionary, Dr. Sara Cook, were displayed. A splendid response was made to this appeal also, and we were very glad to have such a worth while collection of hospital supplies and toys to send her.

The intense interest and happy expressions on all faces revealed the twofold joy of giving our substance and receiving the blessing of giving.

A. Rivett, Sec.

BRANTFORD

The semi-annual union meeting of Brantford Circle was held in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church, Thursday afternoon, April 21st. After an opening hymn a portion of Scripture from the twenty-sixth chapter of Matthew was read by Mrs. Kitchen of Riverdale Circle. Prayers were offered by Mrs. Waghorne, President of the First Church Circle, and by members of other Circles, in which our special missionary needs were remembered. We were all intensely interested in what Rev. Mr. Wintemute had to tell us of our Baptist work in Bolivia. He traced the progress of the work from the almost insurmountable difficulties of early years to the comparative triumphs of the present and stated that, at the same rate of advancement, there is every reason to hope that unbelievable changes for the better will occur within the next few years. At the close of the meeting all remained to enjoy a social hour when tea was served by the First Church Circle.

Bertha E. Overholt.

BRACEBRIDGE

For the encouragement of other circles, who may be hesitating, I would like to tell the story of the Jubilee Fund drive in our Church at Bracebridge. Credit goes first of all to the Young Women's Circle, who under the inspiration of their tireless leader, Mrs. W. C. Denniss, set out in January to raise a jubilee gift of twenty-five dollars. As an incentive towards this accomplishment, Mrs. Denniss promised the girls that if they succeeded in attaining their objective she would add to it an equal sum. With no uncertain purpose they set about their self-appointed task. Their method of procedure was to divide into groups, each group to raise an equal share of the sum. After four weeks they met to report, and it was found that each group had raised not only its allotted portion, but more. Altogether the girls had raised thirty-four dollars. When their leader's gift of twenty-five dollars was added, the girls were able to make Mrs. Good, the pastor's wife, a life member.

Before the Young Women's Circle had completed their object, the spirit of the Jubilee Fund had possessed the adult Circle, and at their February meeting, after an earnest discussion, the women, not to be outdone by their daughters in the younger organization, set themselves an objective of fifty dollars to be raised before June. Once more Mrs. Denniss, whose unbounded enthusiasm and generosity had largely inspired the other women, promised an additional twenty-five dollars when the goal should be reached. As the group method had already proved so effective, it was resorted to again. Four groups were formed, each to raise ten dollars. It was arranged to raise the fifth ten dollars by means of the play "The Pill Bottle", to be presented by the entire circle. Some suggestion was made, that just as the young women had gone beyond their objective, so might we, and amid smiles of doubt at the improbability of such a thing, it was duly moved and carried, that if there should be a surplus, it should be applied to certain special needs at home, whose claims were even then being urgently presented. This in explanation of what follows.

The time set for the raising of our offering has just expired and at our May meeting, held to-day, reports were brought in. As each group leader was called upon, she handed the treasurer the money her group had raised, telling in a few words how it had been made. In every case the allotted sum was reached. Most noteworthy was the group who instead of ten dollars brought in twenty-seven. By the time the fourth group had been heard from our sum already stood at sixty dollars. Then the report from the "Pill Bottle" was called for. This play that was to bring in ten dollars, produced eighty-three dollars and seventy-five cents. Our total was now one hundred and forty-three dollars and eighty cents. The promised donation of twenty-five dollars was immediately presented, and the sum of seventy-five dollars, plus the necessary exchange was voted to be forwarded at once to the Board treasurer, the balance to be applied as agreed, to local work.

Perhaps some of the ideas used might interest others who are looking for suggestions. Among ways and means related by the groups were these: making and selling aprons, pies, bags, and candy; selling eggs; papering a house; doing a washing; holding social evenings and afternoon tea and evening entertainment; distributing bags for contributions, and by voluntary gifts.

We heartily recommend the group system for raising a stated amount. The divided responsibility, the good-natured competition, and the inclusion of every member, make it an almost certain method of attaining an objective. Also we highly commend the play, "The Pill Bottle" as one worth the attention of any circle. While it is rich in humor and entertainment, its stirring missionary appeal lifts it far above the level of mere amusement as such. Aside from the financial returns, we feel that the message it proclaimed was vastly worth while.

We hope that this account may encourage others to join in on the "Jubilee Special" and wish the Link continued success, especially in its prospective new venture, which we are anticipating with eager interest.

L. Johnson, President.

WAVERLEY ROAD, TORONTO

We women of the Waverley Road Mission Circle feel that we would like to tell of the good time we had at our June meeting.

The Circle proposed sending a parcel in Mrs. Dengate's box and as we wanted it to be even better than the last one, we enlisted the co-operation of the Sunday School, Ladies' Aid and the C.G.I.T. girls.

And the result? A "shower" of quilts, silk bags, scrap books, scripture picture cards, soap, dolls, pencils, towels, needle books, hospital supplies, etc.

Parcels will be sent to Miss Lucy Jones, Dr. Jessie Findlay and Dr. Sarah Cook.

The autograph quilt donated by the Ladies' Aid, for Miss Jones, represented fifty dollars for our Building Fund as well.

And then our wish has been to **increase our offering to missions**. So we added a little working to our wishing. And the result? Three Life Memberships presented at one meeting!

Those receiving Life Memberships (Foreign) were, Mrs. J. E. Austen and Mrs. Geisel, two of our oldest and most honored members, and Mrs. F. Jones, our president.

During the evening we were favored with a solo by Mrs. R. Howard and Miss Helen Jones read as our lesson the story of Jesus meeting the woman of Samaria.

The passage seemed so well chosen, when last but not least we listened while Mrs. Cross told of work among the women of India.

There were tears in many eyes as she told of the longing, effort, growth and sacrifice of these our Telugu sisters.

The influence of this meeting, we feel, will be far reaching.

Our "Jubilee Woman" is selling Ramblings in Ramachandrapuram to our membership at large, the proceeds to be devoted to the Jubilee Fund.

Edna Haynes,
Secretary.

"Be STRONG!"

"We are not here to play, to dream, to drift. We have hard work to do, and loads to lift. Shun not the struggle; face it. 'Tis God's gift."

ASSOCIATIONS.

GUELPH

The sessions of Women's Day in our Guelph Association were very capably presided over by our beloved president, Mrs. R. D. Lang in S. Water St. Church, Galt.

Mrs. E. Pequegnat, of Kitchener, led us in the opening devotional period, and reading from John 1, 45-51, emphasized that we should discover through the word of God, all His plans for us and that we through faith and prayer may learn more and more about Jesus.

Miss Starnaman, of Galt, spoke a few words regarding why we should patronize our Literature Bureau. We were delighted to have with us Mrs. Doherty, Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. Crossley, of Toronto, and feel sure that after hearing their "Try-a-logue" Guelph Association will become better acquainted with our Bureau of Literature and will have more subscribers for the Link and Visitor. We were glad to welcome Miss Whiteside and learn more about our Moulton College.

A very interesting reading was given by Mrs. Tomlinson of Stratford, "The story of 52 prayer meetings," with all the petty excuses for non-attendance.

Rev. G. N. Simmons, of New Liskeard, presented a general view of the Northland, mentioning the different places where our Baptist cause is represented and also those towns where he feels we should be at work for our Master.

At the opening of the afternoon session, Miss Boothe of Galt, welcomed the delegates to the church and homes, and Mrs. Deeves, of Brampton, responded.

Though not supported by our Board, Miss Alice Clarke has a special place in the hearts of those in this Association as her home is in Kitchener. We felt privileged to have her with us and to listen to her message, of which the key-note was "What owest thou unto thy Lord." She brought two word pictures, first, "Christianity as it is in our own land"; second, "Christianity as it is in Bolivia."

Mrs. Haverstock, of Guelph, conducted the "Quiet Hour" and as she spoke to us we were drawn closer to the feet of our Lord.

Grande Ligne was very splendidly presented by Rev. J. R. Webb, as he answered the three questions.

1. Did God begin the work at Grande Ligne? 2. Has Grande Ligne fulfilled its purpose. 3. If so should the present condition of finances be as they are?

The Mission Band report was given by Mrs. Buchanan. The Band Director, Mrs. McNiven, was forced to give up the work owing to ill health. Several Bands have not been at work during the year and two have joined the New Society, but we were encouraged to hear that some Bands had done so well that only a very small decrease was reported.

The Director's report, in some respects, was not as encouraging as we might wish. The Circles have not contributed as well as last year. Two did not report, one of these signifying that they had joined the New Society. However, the Director sounded a note of optimism, emphasizing the fact that only half the women in our churches are members of the Circles and if these were won to a vital interest in the task, and we put forth an earnest effort, greater things could be accomplished.

Four Circles contributed more than \$7 per capita, East Nissouri leading with \$8.18 per capita. Ten of the eighteen Circles reporting increased in giving last year.

Two Young Women's Circles have been organized, making nine in the Association, with a total of 210 members. We regret that the Young Women did not maintain the standing of last year which was the banner year, but we can report an increase over any previous year. Galt Young Women contributed highest average, \$7.66.

Again we were reminded of the thought "Thou hast set our feet in a large place" and that we can only reach the high calling as we, "Make Christ Supreme."

A day of real blessing and inspiration closed with singing "Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow."

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. (Rev.) Frith, Georgetown; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Rogers, Stratford; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. (Rev.) Imrie, Kitchener; Director,

Miss L. Burtch, Galt; Band Director, Mrs. Buchanan, Stratford; Executive, Mrs. R. D. Lang (White Cross representative), Mrs. Gleason, Mrs. (Rev.) Haverstock, Mrs. E. D. Lang.

Louise Burtch,
Director.

Mrs. E. Wilcox,
Secretary.

MIDDLESEX-LAMBTON

Encouraging reports and excellent addresses marked the interesting sessions of the 54th annual meeting of the Middlesex-Lambton Association of Baptist women held on May 31st, 1927, in the Arkona Baptist Church. The officers for the coming year are: President, Mrs. R. R. McKay, Sarnia; Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. H. McDermid, London; Director, Mrs. J. G. Taylor, Sarnia; Assistant Director, Mrs. A. W. Greenslade, London.

The sessions were of a most interesting nature, opening in the morning with an exceptionally large attendance. Mrs. R. R. McKay and Mrs. Thos. Bingham led the prayer service. The nominating and resolutions committees were named at this session, the former including Mrs. Marshall, Strathroy; Mrs. J. B. Campbell, London, Mrs. J. B. Brown, Poplar Hill and the latter, Mrs. Pratt, Petrolea, Mrs. P. Campbell, Forest, and Miss Charlotte Jeffrey, London. Encouraging reports were presented by representatives of 19 Circles, 2 Y. W. Circles, 1 Ladies' Aid, and 9 Bands. Rev. J. B. Brown closed the morning session with prayer.

The afternoon session was featured with the election of officers, the devotional period led by Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Brown, a delightful address of welcome given to the delegates by Mrs. Chamberlain of Arkona, and fitting reply made by Mrs. R. R. McKay. Mrs. McCandless, of Strathroy, sang most acceptably. Mrs. Baldwin's digest of Circles and Bands was most interesting, showing the progress made during the past year. There are 25 Circles, 2 Y.W. Circles and 1 Ladies' Aid contributing to Missions and 15 Bands. 9 Circles have increased their membership—Brooke, Brooke and Inniskillen, Forest and Adelaide St., Adelaide St. Y.W., Talbot St., Maitland, Egerton, and Kensall Park of London. 11 Circles have increased their Home Mission

gifts and 11 the Foreign gifts. 7 have increased the number of "Links" taken and 7 the number of "Visitors." East Williams reports every woman in the church a member of the Circle and Poplar Hill Ladies' Aid is supporting a native worker.

A quiet prayer period followed, led by Mrs. Gosnell, of Petrolea, directing our thoughts to Psalm 16-8, "I have set the Lord always before me; because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved." Then came Miss McIntyre's presidential address. She gave a brief retrospect of our foreign work, referring to this being the Golden Jubilee of the Women's foreign Missionary work. She reminded the gathering that 10 missionaries had gone out to the foreign work from this Association, closing with a strong appeal for the proper use of stewardship in our daily lives. Miss Crisp, of St. Thomas, who was to speak on Young Women's work could not be present but her very excellent report was read.

It was a great delight to meet Miss Murray one of our own missionaries, home on furlough, and spending the greater part of her time in her home town of Arkona. A large audience rose to greet her, and she was presented with a beautiful bouquet of carnations and snapdragons by wee Betty Chamberlain. Miss Murray thrilled and touched the hearts of her audience as she told of the work in far off India. The Arkona Mission Band presented a delightful programme. Mr. E. Therrien, of Grande Ligne, was a welcome visitor, telling of the work there. Rev. Mr. Moore closed this meeting with prayer.

In the evening following a bright song service conducted by Mr. Therrien. Mrs. J.A. Johnston, London, and Mrs. Doolittle, Forest, led us in the devotional period. Mrs. Baldwin's financial report followed. At present there are 1993 women in our churches, of whom 1221 are Circle members (772 yet to win). The Circles have raised for Home Missions \$1334.60, for Foreign Missions \$2,262.56. Bands with a membership of 575 raised for H. M. \$163.97, for F. M. \$221.96—a total of \$3983.09. 426 "Links" are taken and 401 "Visitors".

The committee on resolutions then pre-

sented their report which was adopted as read. "Be it resolved

1. That this Association place on record their deep appreciation of the faithful efficient service rendered by our retiring director, Mrs. James Baldwin. We sincerely regret that she feels it necessary to sever her connection with us.

2. That we are heartily in sympathy with the work of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary societies as carried on under the able leadership of Mrs. Zavitz and Mrs. Matthews.

3. That we express our hearty appreciation of the hospitality received at the Arkona church and the gracious reception of the ladies in their homes."

A brief but stirring address followed on "Western Missions" by Dr. C. C. McLaurin, tracing its progress and marvelous growth in recent years and pointing out the great need of further expansion. The new executive were presented to the Association by Miss McIntyre, the retiring president. Mrs. C. E. Parsons, of Petrolea, was named as Associational representative for "White Cross" work. During the evening a much appreciated solo was given by Miss Richardson, a violin solo by Mrs. C. Dowding and a very acceptable number by the choir. Miss Clark, of St. Thomas, very ably presented the work of Moulton College, stressing the Christian training and influences surrounding the young women, and also the high educational standards maintained.

Mrs. J. T. Marshall, of Toronto, vice-president of the Women's Home Missionary Society, brought a most helpful Home Mission message, showing first the splendid progress made during the past year and then speaking on "The Call of Home Missions"—the call of the child—the call of the adult—and the call of Christ to each one of us. In closing she reminded her hearers that women are the key in this country, that it is time for greater consecration, for revival, and it is for women to lead the way. Rev. H. E. Wintemute, of Bolivia, was welcomed as a special guest. He told of the work in that country, pleading the great need of women workers—for women there too, are the key, they are still strong-

ly bound by superstition and only women workers can reach the women.

In closing we sang, softly and earnestly, the following hymn. It was the prayer of each heart.

We praise thee, O God, for the Son of thy love;

For Jesus who died and is now gone above. Hallelujah! Thine the glory. Hallelujah!

Amen, Hallelujah! Thine the glory, revive us again!

It has since been suggested that this hymn be adopted as the Circle hymn for this Association for the coming year and several Circles have already adopted the suggestion.

Rev. Mr. Moore with prayer brought to its close a day filled to overflowing with blessing and inspiration.

A. I. Greenslade,
Assistant Director.

WHITBY-LINDSAY.

Tuesday afternoon, June 7th, was devoted to the women's session in the Whitby and Lindsay Association, meeting at Stouffville.

A conference on Circle and Band work was called at 1.15. Our Director, Miss Evans, called for short reports from the various Circles, which were very encouraging.

In the absence of Mrs. J. T. Priest, Mrs. Gordon Holmes conducted the question box; answers had been prepared by Mrs. John Galt. Many helpful suggestions were gained by this method. It was voted to have this discussion another year.

At 2.30 p.m. we assembled in the auditorium, where the President, Mrs. Pugh, presided. Opening hymn, "The Church's One Foundation."

Mrs. Darby, of Lindsay, gave the Bible reading from Psalm 96, followed by prayer by Mrs. J. R. Baldwin, Uxbridge. The nominating committee was then appointed.

Words of welcome from Mrs. W. Fleischer, Stouffville. This was replied to by Mrs. W. C. Veals, Omamee, who suggested that all churches should have a Mission Circle.

The President, Mrs. Pugh, based her message on Psalm 126, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

She also reminded us of what Mr. Timpany had said many years ago, when he was organizing Women's Mission Circles, "Cannot you spend one hour a month in thinking of your sisters in India?" We can now look back on fifty years of service in India.

Miss Evans then gave her report. There are 22 churches in the Association, 308 members; 8 churches have no Circle; twelve boxes have been sent to different mission fields; sent to Home Missions \$405.25; to Foreign, \$453.89.

Mrs. George Lee reported for Mission Bands.

After singing two hymns 215 and 239, Mrs. Lipinski, of Hamilton, in Polish costume, told how she carries on her gospel work among Polish people, visiting them in their homes, and telling them the way of salvation through Jesus Christ.

Mrs. G. W. Johnston, Blackwater, favored us with a solo, "Oh, lead me on."

Rev. R. C. Bensen gave a very inspiring address on India, telling of his first impressions on going to that country, the natives, their customs and habits. He wanted us to remember that every department of the work, whether educational or medical, was also evangelical.

The Stouffville Mission then sang, and a junior member repeated the 1st Psalm very distinctly.

The report of the nominating committee was as follows:

President, Mrs. M. Pugh; Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. Fleischer; Director of Circles, Miss S. E. Evans; Director of Bands, Mrs. Lee.

H. Kitchener.

COLLINGWOOD ASSOCIATION

The tenth annual meeting of the Collingwood Association was held in Midland Church on June 14th, 1927.

The afternoon meeting opened at 2.30 p.m. with Mrs. Jones, Orillia, the President, in the chair. Mrs. Pearce, Midland, read the Scripture Lesson from John 15th, and led in prayer.

Mrs. McCracken extended a very hearty welcome to all delegates and visitors pres-

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The Young Women

VACATION TIME

Dear Girls,—

A plain little stone set up in the earth bore this inscription, "Rest and be thankful". In the summer season of vacation how many young women, otherwise well educated, seem never to have learned that art of resting and so they lose one of the sweetest ministries of God for carrying us, with hope and energy, through the days of coming winter.

It is not the voice of selfishness that says "Come ye yourselves apart, and rest awhile." It is the voice of One who knows our frame and our holidays would do far more for us, if sometimes we did in them a little less, and simply "opened the windows towards Jerusalem" which in the city and in winter days have been partly closed.

As the years slip by we discover that we make others happy not by heroisms, but by the lesser ministries of loving kindness. Now it is just here that the leisure of holidays enrich us with priceless opportunities. In little ways, chiefly of remembrance, we can all do something to make others happy, if we fail we have missed the Christian spirit of holidays. For happiness is an elusive goddess, she is found of those whose hearts are on a noble quest, of those who have been led, by One Who loves them, into a living sympathy with others.

Camp life will be more sweet for many of us when by such memories they have been consecrated and when we return to our task in our Y.W. Circles there will be added joy in all that we have seen, if all is touched with memories of Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us.

Yours very sincerely,
Ada Veals, Secretary.

(Mrs. H. F.)

SUGGESTIONS

Issue Topic Cards—Sundays announcement of your meeting is ordinarily forgotten. Give time and thought to making them attractive, alluring.

Special prepared responsive readings on some topic will add an attractive feature now and then.

"Ramblings in Ramachandrapuram" which may be purchased at our bureau of literature for thirty-five cents, will bring good results if passed around among the members to read. Let those who read it enter their names, with date on which the book was completed, on the rear fly leaf.

Enlisting co-operation in preparing for and conducting meetings will deepen interest and secure increased attendance.

A welcome committee can render valuable service by greeting members and making the room attractive and inviting.

Devotional periods devoted to the various phases of the question of "Christian Stewardship" ought to definitely increase the giving of your members.

The speaker's manner—and her character behind that manner and expressing itself by it—will have as much to do with creating the atmosphere pervading the service as her words.

Keep your members from forgetting that hymns are prayers.

Sometimes read the hymns in unison instead of singing them.

Lay stress on social fellowship before and after the meeting.

Remember that, under God's blessing, you will get out of your Y.W. Circle meeting what you put into it.

Mrs. H. F. Veals, Secretary.

NIAGARA-HAMILTON ASSOCIATION

Report of Y. W. Circles, 1926-27

Number of Circles, 9. (Same as last year). Circles dropped, 1. New Circles, 1, King St., Hamilton, membership 16.

Total number of members, 203. Decrease 45. Percentage of church members in Circles, 44 per cent.

Circles with increase in membership, 4. James St., 6; Wentworth, 2; Jepson, 5; St. Catharines, 6.

Banner Circles—St. Catharines, James St. Visitors Taken, 41. Decrease of 8.

Circles with increase—James St., 3; St. Catharines, 4; Welland, 2.

Links—Subscriptions, 47. Increase, 7.

Circles with increase—James St., 2; Wentworth, 2; Welland, 2; St. Catharines, 8.

Home Missions—Total, \$257.70; Increase, \$4.30; Circles with increase—Jepson, Port Colborne, Welland, St. Catharines.

Foreign Missions—Total, \$391.28. Increase, \$6.28. Circles with increase, James St.; Trinity, Jepson, Pt. Colborne, St. Catharines, Welland.

Specials—\$272.08—large increase.

Boxes or Bales 4—decrease of 6.

Foreign Jubilee—St. Catharines, \$27.85.

Assessment Dues—\$5.63.

Total from Y. W. Circles, \$921.06. Increase, \$316.46.

Largest giving per capita, James St., \$7.71; Welland, \$5.90.

Bessie M. Shearer, Director.

THOMAS GABRIEL

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In 1874 Gabriel did a great deal of touring and preaching. One hundred and thirty-three were baptized and the church membership at the close of the year was 219. Gabriel's work was done. He grew ill with fever. Everything was done to help him. On January 1st, 1875, he passed away, his last word and smile testifying to the preciousness of the Lord Jesus.

Note.—We have taken all the material for these sketches from the very full and interesting biographies by Rev. John Craig in "Telugu Trophies." See pages 7-11 and 165-169. Another interesting account of Gabriel is that by Miss McLaurin in "The Enterprise", pages 173-182.

—M. L. O.

—Western Baptist.

COLLINGWOOD ASSOCIATION

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ent, and Mrs. Dr. Kendall, Gravenhurst, replied in a very fitting manner.

A Band Conference was ably conducted by Mrs. W. W. Richman, Orillia. She urged the leaders to train boys and girls to have the right attitude to God. Then they will stay in the church and we will see them develop into officers in the various organizations.

A Questionnaire on Mission Band Problems followed, and the Band report.

Mrs. Dougal Brown, Midland, led the prayer service. After singing a hymn and the Scripture Reading from Acts 12:15-17, several prayers were offered for our Home Work, our Foreign Work, and our Educational Work. Mrs. Brown urged us to pray without ceasing for Home as well as Foreign Fields, and reminded us that if we have faith, the souls we pray for shall be saved.

Miss Sturgeon, Midland, favored us with a solo, before Mrs. Dennis conducted Jubilee Echoes. Representatives from different Circles reported how they had raised the Jubilee Offerings.

Mrs. Dennis, in giving her report, urged us to pray for our Treasurer and God's guidance in our work.

The President closed the session with prayer.

The evening session was opened by singing "Jesus, Wondrous Saviour," and Mrs. Hean, Orillia, read Isa. 40.

Miss McKinley, Midland, sang a very pleasing solo, "Beautiful Eden," and greetings were brought from Knox Presbyterian Church and St Paul's United Church.

Mrs. Palmer, Toronto, gave us an excellent address on our Home Mission Work. She told of the work of our student pastors and the different missions. She urged us to be still and hear God's voice, and give first place to first things. In closing she said we needed love and sympathy to help establish God's Kingdom.

After music by the choir, Miss Priest, of Tuni, India, gave us a most interesting address. She told us how India is now enjoying fruitage of fifty year's service, urged us to help make this a year of release; and showed new beginnings for old India.

Rev. Dougall Brown closed with prayer.

Margaret Sinclair,

Secretary.

OWEN SOUND ASSOCIATION

For the report of this association see pages 401, 402.

Canadian Girls in Training

THE CHRISTIAN GIRL

To Be a Girl

To be a girl, and see
Beauty in flower, bird and tree;
To follow truth and right, and know
The emptiness of outward show.

To be a girl, and thrill
When climbing windblown up the hill;
To think the Father's love and care
Are round about, and everywhere.

To be a girl, and aim
Above the mark of self and fame;
To pass through, strong and pure and good,
The gate which leads to womanhood.

To be a girl, and heed
The call to meet the world's great need,
Put Beauty, Truth and Goodness first,
Ring in the Kingdom of the Christ.

To be a girl!

The Christian girl is different because of her ideals, her purpose, her effort, her self.

She is different in having ideals at all. She has chosen the Christian way of life, and Christ himself is her supreme desire. The things that are true and pure and lovely form the fabric of her life. There is an Indian proverb which says, "She may dance like a fairy and dress like a queen, but if she can write an essay or divide a decimal she is not the girl for me." The proverb refers to the old prejudice against the recognition and development of girls in the higher and richer things of human attainment. The Christian girl has discovered in her new life limitless possibilities for the culture of head and heart and, too, God's provision for her fullest self-realization.

She lives to attain a definitely-chosen and noble purpose. Her whole life is purposeful. She has a reason for things. All of her decisions, associations and actions are determined by this sincere and holy purpose. Florence Nightingale, Alice Freeman Palmer, Mary Slessor, are shining examples of a mighty host who, having seen the gleam of a great Ideal, laid hold of a noble Purpose and in pursuing it were led into the beauty and glory of Christ's fellowship, love and service.

The Christian girl of noble ideal and worthy purpose will put forth the finest effort in the endeavor to realize these. Believing that "the best things lie up the stream," she will become a co-laborer with God, that through her toil and gifts he may accomplish his own purposes. It has been said that "Success" is spelled with four letters: W-O-R-K. The wise Greek declared that "a man is what he does." So is a girl. Her Christianity must be active. She must ever enquire, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" In the various activities of her local church she should find that place where she may enjoy ample opportunity for the cultivation and expression of her Christian life. There can be no influences so refining, so truly cultural, as those to be found even amidst the usual happenings of church fellowship and service. Nothing in all the world yields beauty and richness of character like association with Christ and Christian people in the ordinary ways of church life. The Christian girl should be a church girl. Then will she be fitted to live her life in the world and put forth her best effort and bear her clearest witness to the things that make life lovely. And ever remembering that "the secret of a strong life is a strong secret life," she will not neglect to cultivate that priceless thing called devotion. By simple habits of prayer, of meditation, of Bible reading, will she grow her soul. Here is the living secret of all true beauty of life and power of achievement.

The Christian girl is different because of what she is in herself. The richest gift a girl can make to the world is that of a beautiful and radiant personality. "What a comfort it was," says a soldier's letter from the Crimea, "to see Florence Nightingale pass by! She would speak to one and nod to another; she could not do it to all, you know, for we were lying there by the hundreds, but we could kiss her shadow as it fell, and lay our heads on the pillow again content."

Your very shadow may be a benediction. But only as you walk near him who is "the brightness of the Father's glory and the express image of his person."

Elsie Matthews.
—Western Baptist.

Our Mission Bands

GOD WANTS THE BOYS AND GIRLS

God wants the boys, the merry, merry boys,
The noisy boys, the funny boys,
The thoughtless boys.

God wants the boys with all their joys,
That He as gold may make them pure,
And teach them trials to endure.

His heroes brave
He'd have them be,

Fighting for truth
And purity.

God wants the boys.

God wants the girls, the happy-hearted girls,
The loving girls, the best of girls,
The worst of girls.

He wants to make the girls His pearls,
And so reflect His holy face,
And bring to mind His wondrous grace,
That beautiful

The world may be,
And filled with love
And purity.

God wants the girls.

—Selected.

MISSION BAND LESSON GOING ON TOUR IN INDIA

In the first lesson on India, you learned something about the land where our missionary work is being carried on; in the second lesson something about the people; and in today's lesson we shall make a tour over the field.

Look at the picture of a typical Telugu Village.

Now touring on the field must be done in the cool season when we can live in tents, or occupy the traveller's bungalow which we find at some places. These traveller's bungalows are built for the accommodation of the Government Officials, but other travellers are permitted to occupy them provided a small sum of money is paid to the care-taker, or in some cases a small rental is charged.

The bungalow is built of mud with a thatch or tile roof. Sometimes there are two rooms, but usually only one. Verandahs run around the building and one or two corners of the verandah are closed in to form bath and store

rooms. A short distance away a little mud hut forms the cook house, sometimes with a small fire-place, but more often the cook puts three stones in the corner, builds a fire of small sticks, and placing his earthen pot over this fire prepares a very good meal. He very carefully saves his charred embers which he uses for toasting our bread and even for baking a little pudding.

Now we are about to start out on our tour, and shall go to one of these bungalows. What shall we need? Just about everything we need at home. We must sleep comfortably, so we take our folding cot, mattress and bedding, and don't forget the mosquito netting or we will not sleep much. The kind of mosquito that would bite us, may carry malaria germs and a bad illness might result. We have a folding table which serves us for a dining or writing table, chairs, dishes, cutlery, and cooking utensils. We must have something that will serve us as a pantry. Here it is, what a funny looking thing! A box frame enclosed with wire netting. It has a wooden top and bottom, a door of netting with a lock and shelves. Our food must be kept from ants, flies, dogs, cats, rats and robbers. If it was shut up in tight boxes it would spoil. In the box of wire netting the air keeps it fresh.

Have we everything now? If so the cart men are ready to load it on the carts and get away. We have a good servant who will look after loading it on the cart, so we may rest a while before starting on our journey if we do not mind the noise of the shouting and the running to and fro.

Here comes "Boy" saying all is ready and if we are ready the carts will leave at once. Let us climb into this cart. What a queer way to travel! The cart has a split bamboo matting cover which will protect us from the dew, for we travel at night, some straw is placed on the bottom of the cart and a thin mattress or rug is placed over that, next a sheet and pillow and our bed is ready. We must not forget this is the cool season and that we will need a good warm rug and a cap for our head.

Away we go now. Have you slept in a



A TYPICAL TELUGU VILLAGE SCENE

pullman? Does this riding in an oxcart remind you of your journey by pullman in contrast? The cart driver pulls the oxen tails, shouts and cracks his whip—never mind such trifles, go to sleep—whether you do or not the cartman will. The oxen go more and more slowly and finally stop. The driver wakes, shouts and cracks his whip, and the procession starts. Again he sleeps and we decide we might as well follow his example. Just as we get nicely dreaming that we are bumping along on two flat tires, something happens. Don't worry! The oxen thought they'd try a footpath to a village and have raced off the road over the ditch and into a field before the cart man can stop them.

Finally we reach our destination, unpack our luggage and set up housekeeping. We are hardly unpacked before the boys and girls arrive. "Salaam! Salaam! Please give me a

card?" "No time now, will tell you some stories by and by and will teach you some songs. Those who learn the stories and songs will get cards." But they squat at a little distance and wait.

I know you are tired and hungry, "Boy" will have some breakfast ready soon. Did you think anyone could prepare such a good breakfast over a stove made of three stones, and in a room full of smoke? The omelet, toast and coffee are all excellent!

We will take the morning for unpacking what is necessary and tidying our room. After dinner we take a nap and go out to the village. The people are ready to talk, some are ready to listen. Some will remember what they heard before. Perhaps there is one old woman in this village who will say, "Oh, I'm so glad you came! Years ago a missamma

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The Eastern Society

Miss M. E. Barker, 4136 Dorchester St., Westmount, Que.

BROADCASTING FROM THE Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec MONTREAL

EXCHANGE!

Three important facts re the Exchange Situation!

The total amount needed—\$600.00.

The total amount contributed to date (June 1) approximately 25 per cent.

The amount still needed—75 per cent.

Having assumed the responsibility, (at the request of the Board), of each Circle member sending her own money to India this year for the payment of Exchange, and as the amounts sent in do not cover the 10 per cent asked for—

CIRCLE MEMBERS what are we going to do about it?

The key to the situation is *Personal Responsibility—Everybody Doing It!*

Let each one of us take this matter seriously—Do our part—Raise it!

BOARD MEETING OF THE WOMEN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF EASTERN ONTARIO AND QUEBEC

The third quarterly meeting of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec was held in the First Baptist Church, Friday afternoon, June 10th, with eighteen members present.

The usual routine of business followed.

The Treasurer's report revealed that the receipts compared with those of the preceding year at this time are nearly \$500 behind. It is hoped that the Circles will note this and realize that the utmost effort will be required if our obligations are to be met. Mrs. H. H. Ayer reported that Miss Murray had passed the medical examination and to her great joy and the great satisfaction of the Board will return with Miss Priest to India, sailing on October 19th. Both these ladies will be present at the Convention.

Mrs. Ayer also reported Miss Hinman's safe return to Canada after a prosperous voyage. Her visit to the Holy Land on her way home had been an intense pleasure and stimulus. Miss Hinman is now at her home in Cobourg, Ontario.

Notice was given that Miss Alice Clarke from Bolivia will visit the Eastern constituency in September and meetings will be arranged. A letter from Miss Marsh, of Quebec, stated that her sister, Mrs. Shaw, having learned of the need of a well at Vuyuru would like to contribute the \$100 required. This was gratefully accepted by the Board. The generous gift of \$50 from the husband of Mrs. Ethelwyn Crossley Cox, who had given many years of devoted service to the Board as Recording Secretary, was gratefully acknowledged, and appreciation expressed of his continued interest in the young students at Vellore whose support was undertaken many years ago by Mrs. Cox.

Letters were read from Miss Myers, Miss

Mann and Mrs. Gordon also Miss Hinman's annual report, all full of deep interest.

It was decided to continue the monthly prayer meetings during the summer months.

After a season of prayer the meeting on motion adjourned.

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSION CIRCLE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, MONTREAL

Annual Report

We have held eight regular meetings during the year with an average attendance of twenty-two. Our own members have taken charge of four of the meetings. For the other meetings we had Mrs. Reid, Miss Foster and Mrs. Ramsay, who spoke on various aspects of Missionary work.

At the invitation of the Women's Mission Circle we joined with them for our March meeting to enjoy the excellent programme entitled "The Feast of Candles."

At a few meetings some of our members have gathered before supper for a short prayer meeting. As a result it seems that more members have been taking part in prayer at our meetings than in previous years.

At Christmas time a box containing clothing, toys, etc., was sent to one of our Home missionaries, Mr. Lancta, and his family, at Pied du Lac.

Several of our members subscribe to the Link Magazine.

The systematic giving through the duplex envelopes has been adopted with very satisfactory results. To raise money for flowers, etc., members have brought birthday money. Other methods for securing funds were as follows: A special Thank-offering, Mite Boxes, and the sale of Christmas Calendars. Our members have also contributed to the Parson Memorial Fund. During the year we have lost from our midst two of our valuable and much loved members, Mrs. Boyce and Mrs. George Gilmour (formerly Miss Dorothy Hodge).

One member, our President, Miss Winifred Verity, has been absent from several meetings. In the past she has rendered wonderful service to the work of the Circle, giv-

ing her strength and vitality cheerfully and whole-heartedly in her earnest desire that Christ may be known in every land. We trust and pray that she may recover from her prolonged illness and return in the Fall with renewed strength and energy. We are greatly indebted to our Counsellor, Mrs. H. H. Ayer, who has always been ready to help or advise.

D. Holt, Sec.

EASTERN ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Ladies' Session of the Fortieth Annual Meeting of the Eastern Association held in Dixville Church, Tuesday afternoon, June 7th, 1927.

Mrs. Vincer led the devotional exercises, reading from John 15: "I am the true vine."

A very unique and cordial address of welcome was given in verse by Mrs. Beach, of Dixville, to which Miss Stobo, of Quebec City, on behalf of the delegates, gave a very appreciative reply. The minutes of the last annual session were adopted.

Owing to the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Wallace was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The nominating committee was appointed by the chair, consisting of Mrs. Ayer, Westmount, Mrs. Hadlock, Lennoxville, Mrs. Watts, Westmount.

The topic of the President's address was "Soul Winning." "After all the thing that really tests us is what we can do with an individual soul. The focussing of our soul upon another is the ultimate test of our consecration to Christ. Fellowship with Christ depends upon our unfaltering faith in Him. He would not have it otherwise. No man can claim a happy fellowship with Christ who does not trust Christ. Let us be living monuments that all who pass us by may know more of God's love for his children. He that winneth souls, is wise." The report of Mission Circles was given by Miss Chandler and in the absence of Mrs. Ramsay, Mrs. J. Macaulay, of Quebec City, read the report of Mission Bands.

Mrs. A. E. Paterson spoke for the Women's Foreign Mission Board, referring to the new buildings purchased through the Jubilee

Fund of some of the difficulties confronting our missionaries of Miss Murray's illness, thanking our Heavenly Father for restoration of health, and of the exchange stating that it costs the board \$625 yearly for exchange. Each circle must feel it their duty to shoulder their share of this responsibility.

Mrs. Paterson stressed Systematic Giving. We are called to be soul winners and give as God has prospered us.

The last address of the afternoon was given by Miss Lewitt, who represented the Women's Home Mission Board. "Soul Winning" being the key note of the session the entire programme led up to this subject. Miss Lewitt spoke of soul winning among the English, French, New Canadians in the cities of Northern Ontario and the extensiveness of the work. A pleasing feature of this session was two solos, most acceptably rendered by Mrs. G. K. Tyler and Mrs. Beach.

After the offering the session closed with prayer by Mrs. Ayer.

Minutes of the Evening Session

The evening session opened with a devotional session led by Mr. Beach, after which the president, Mrs. J. V. May, took the chair.

The report of the nominating committee was called for and was as follows:—

Directress—Miss P. M. Chandler, Coaticooke; Asst. Directress, Mrs. Chas. Bryan, Coaticooke; Pres., Mrs. Brown, Sherbrooke; Vice-Pres., Mrs. E. Richardson, Birchton; Sec.-Treas., Miss Stobo, Quebec City.

This report was unanimously adopted and the officers as named were declared elected.

Miss Lewett then gave a most interesting address on the work at the Parson Memorial, Ottawa, at the close of which all felt convinced that the new building is an absolute necessity. With an average of 80 in attendance at Sunday School and the room packed to capacity at the Sunday evening services. The work is being carried on at a great disadvantage. Miss Lewett gave several interesting illustrations of the results of the work among the foreigners in Ottawa. This address was followed by a solo, "Have you heard the voice of Jesus?" sung by Miss Buhler. Rev. D. W. Terry then introduced Rev. C. H. Schutt who gave the inspirational ad-

dress, his subject being work among the Home Mission churches. Among the interesting statistics given were the following: During the year 25 churches and missions for New Canadians had been opened, seven Polish and seven Scandinavians being among them.

During the last two years there had been more baptisms than in the previous 17 years of Home Mission work. Seven new mission chapels have been opened since October and four others are on the way. In the 75 years since the work was begun there have been 35,000 baptisms, 400 churches organized and 450 chapels built. Last year the amount raised for Home Missions was the largest in its history, at a total of \$73,000. Sixty-two students are in Home Mission pastorates during the summer months and are doing a wonderful work.

The Doxology was sung at the close of this address, after which Deacon J. B. Parker, of the Dixville church, closed the session with prayer.

W. G. Wallace,
Secretary Pro-Tem.

NOTE RE LIFE DIRECTORSHIPS

This is an important matter for **Individuals** and **Circles** to consider. Last year we had three new Life Directors. How many can we have this year? Whose name will be the next on this Honour List? Would suggest some senior member of your circle, but please remember that this money must be specially raised, or donated by the Individual.

CONVENTION, 1927

Up to the present the **place** of the Convention has not been decided upon. Readers are requested to look for the announcement in the Canadian Baptist. A splendid programme is in preparation. Out-going missionaries and other speakers will take part. Pray for a blessing and plan early to attend.

REPORT OF WOMEN'S SESSIONS OF OWEN SOUND ASSOCIATION

The Women's Sessions were held Friday, June 10th, at "The Regular Baptist Church"

of Chesley, and were well attended and full of interest and inspiration for the extension of the Master's Kingdom at home and abroad. Mrs. McAlpine, of Wiarton, presided. The morning session opened with devotional exercises by Miss M. Hoogstadt, of Chesley, and Mrs. A. R. MacDonald gave words of welcome to the Delegates and visiting friends.

After the Secretary-Treasurer's report, given by Mrs. Wm. Fulton, of Bentick, we listened to very encouraging and interesting reports of the Circles and Bands. Mrs. C. P. Day, of Leith, then gave the Director's Report, and made a special appeal for more women of our churches to be in this wonderful work of spreading the gospel at home and abroad.

Mrs. W. H. Mason, of Hanover, gave an address, "Our Circle Problems and How to Solve Them," basing her remarks on Matthew 6:31-33. She told of the need of putting Christ first in our lives, and then look at the responsibility which is ours to evangelize and give the gospel to the teeming millions who have never heard.

"Let us be up and doing while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work."

The appointing of the Nominating Committee and Prayer, led by Mrs. MacGregor, of Morley, brought the morning session to a close.

The afternoon session was opened by Mrs. E. D. Ford, of Southampton, conducting devotional exercises.

Miss L. Sieling told of her work in the Royce Avenue Mission, Toronto. Her text, was Isaiah 55:1, "Spiritual Thirst." She gave a very real description of the Polish homes and families of that district, and how Roman Catholicism has such a hold upon the people. Their main object is in the children. A great work of love and patience being wrought and we must bear upon our minds the words of the Scripture, "A little child shall lead them." We were then favored with a beautifully rendered solo by Mrs. E. M. Loney, of Chesley. Miss Priest our missionary on furlough from India, then told of her work among the Telugus. She first told how happy she was because she is

just where God wants her to be. She said Christ was getting into India, and there is a wonderful opportunity. The work among the children is one of the most important needs, and they flock around the missionary anxious for the Gospel. She left with us four thoughts for the Jubilee Year: (1) Enjoying fruitage of former years. (2) Year of release. (3) Year of new beginnings. (4) Need of vision. At this juncture an interesting feature was the presentation to Mrs. C. P. Day, of Leith, the retiring Director, of the value of a "Foreign Mission Life Membership Certificate," from the Circles of the Association.

Mrs. W. H. Mason, of Hanover, gave words of appreciation for her service of love and faithfulness, and Mrs. Wm. Fulton, of Bentick, presented the value of certificate. Mrs. Day very fittingly replied.

We then listened to a very stirring message from Rev. E. Therrien on the work of Grande Ligne. He told of the difficult task of getting in close touch with the French Canadians, but also told of the joy in having many accepting Jesus, as their only hope of eternal life. The work of Feller Institute was explained very clearly. This closed two very inspiring sessions, and we thank our Lord and Master for past blessings, and look forward into the future with zeal and enthusiasm for the extension of His Kingdom. "Be not weary in well doing, for in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

Officers elected for the coming year: Director, Mrs. W. H. Mason, Hanover; President, Mrs. T. E. Richards, Hanover; Vice-President, Mrs. E. D. Ford, Southampton; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Wm. Fulton, Bentick; Assistant Sec., Mrs. McLaughlin, Paisley.

Reported by Mrs. W. H. Mason.

GOING ON TOUR IN INDIA

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came and told us about Jesus and we loved to hear about Him. She went away and no one has come since. Tell us more about Jesus." Miss Turnbull had an experience like that. Day after day while she was in that village the old woman compelled her friends and neighbors to come to the service

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and made them sit quietly and listen to the teaching.

Next day we will take a lunch and go early in the morning across the paddy fields to one or two small villages we can see in the distance. Some evening we will invite them to the bungalow and set the gramophone going. How they laugh as they hear the "laughing song" as they call it. Their eyes open wide and they stand entranced when we let Caruso sing to them. Do they enjoy music. Just watch them for a while and see?

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Questions

- (1) What have you learned about in the two former lessons?
- (2) Describe all the things in the village on front page?
- (3) Describe a traveller's bungalow?
- (4) What do we need to take on tour?
- (5) Describe the night trip?
- (6) Who come to visit us on our arrival?
- (7) Are the people glad to listen?
- (8) Tell the story of the woman who waited so long.
- (9) How do they like the music?
- (10) What do the people need?

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