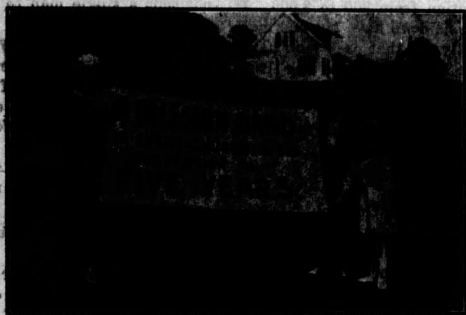


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Knights of the Red Cross

The Canadian Staff in India now includes thirty men, forty-three single ladies and twenty-five married women—ninety-eight in all.

A Man's Job

Our policy is like this: one missionary family on each field. We have twenty-two fields. Each field is on an average about 25 miles long and 25 broad. The town where the missionary lives has a population ranging from 5,000 to 45,000. Outside his home town and scattered thickly over his large field there is another 300 villages, more or less, and varying in population from 300 to 3,000. If for each such field we have but one man, you will readily see that each man has a man's job. Then there are the High Schools at Vizag and Cocanada. One missionary for each of these calls for two more men. A third man is needed for the Industrial work and a fourth for the Union Theological Seminary at Ramapatam.

One Man for One Job

This means twenty-six men in India at one time, each with an acquired language upon his tongue, a topee upon his head, his feet shod with the sandals of peace, his heart filled with the love of Christ and his mind fortified with grace, grit and gumption.

One man in 4,800

Suppose to these twenty-six men needed in India at one time we add four men who will be home on furlough, then we have a total of thirty men. We have in Canada 1,200 churches and 144,000 communicants. Does it seem too great a thing to ask 1,200 churches and 144,000 members to supply thirty men for India? Canada enlisted for France during the Great War one man out of every sixteen of her population and England one out of

every seven. Thirty men out of 144,000 Baptists is one man out of 4,800 members.

Seven Men in Ten

There is a rural Baptist church in Nova Scotia which sent seven men overseas out of an available number of ten, and four of these, each between the ages of twenty-one and twenty-five made the supreme sacrifice. This same church has not sent a single man to India in forty-eight years. It is liberal beyond the average in its gifts of money, but where are the men? We ask for seventy per cent. of the total young man life in our church for France and get them easily—quickly. We ask for one in 4,800 for India and do not get them. Do we ask and receive not because we ask amiss? And, do we ask amiss because we do not ask large enough?

What Would Jesus Do?

Dr. Grenfell tells us in his autobiography that one evening near the close of his medical course he walked down the street in London and turned into a gospel tent meeting. Somebody was praying when he entered. The leader said, "While our brother finishes his prayer we will sing a hymn." The prayer and the hymn were finished and the preacher preached. It happened to be one of the meetings conducted by Moody and Sankey in their remarkable series in London. Dr. Grenfell tells us that when he left that meeting, as he walked down the street, he said to himself, "Henceforth Christianity can only mean one of two things to me. I must either renounce it altogether or make an honest attempt to do the thing that I believe Jesus would do if He were

a doctor in my place." He came to believe that Jesus, if He were a physician in his place, would practice in Labrador, so to Labrador he went. Suppose every student in McMaster and Woodstock, in Wolfville and Brandon were to apply this standard absolutely and unreservedly, how long would we be in getting our thirty men? Why don't they? you may ask. How much have we who are older ever helped them? is another pertinent question. Is there such an atmosphere of loyalty to Christ in our homes and in our churches that the application of these rules to their lives is at all easy for our boys and girls? Have you father, when you prayed, made it easy for your son to volunteer by some sympathetic word concerning the foreign missionary enterprise? Have you, mother, when you prayed, spoken to your girl, such a word as would lead her to think you would be really glad if she went to India? Have you fellow-student ever sought to answer your own prayer by a straight-forward consideration of your relation to this work? Have you ever seriously asked yourself the question, "What would Jesus do concerning these 5,000,000 Telugus if He were a Canadian Baptist student in my place?"

My Every Day Business

An aged Scotchman said to David Livingstone, "Now, lad, make religion the every day business of your life, not a thing of fits and starts." Is it not a fair statement that at least a part of the every day business of each and every Canadian Baptist is to see to it that our obligation in this part of the non-Christian world is adequately and honorably discharged? When one man in 4,800 will do the task, can we be said to have made it a daily business until we have altogether reached so easy a goal?

The Thin Red Line

will always be red, for Missions means service and suffering and sacrifice. Is there, however, any good reason why it should always be so deplorably thin? Why should we give a man whose own field is more than large enough to tax

his utmost efforts and energy an extra field to care for, and that too in a land where the temperature is from 85 to 105 in the shade the year around? We have a story to tell to the nations and if anybody should be telling it Baptist people should. But we cannot tell it without preachers for "How shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent?" Therefore, pray, Jesus looked upon the fields white and ready for the harvest and He said, "P-r-a-y." Now Jesus was no idle dreamer. He knew better than anybody else that the harvest could never be gathered without hard and honest toil. That is why He wanted "Laborers." He knew, too, that the labor must be done by men of a certain kind and with a certain motive. Therefore, He put behind the men the one thing that would make man adequate—Prayer. The harvest is plenteous—Oh so plenteous—and the laborers are few, altogether too few.

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest that He would send forth laborers into His harvest."

Move to the Fore

Men whom God hath made fit for the fray
Not yours to shirk as the feeble ones
may,

Not yours to parley, or quibble, or shirk,
Ill for the world if ye do not God's work
Move to the fore!

Move to the fore!
Say not another is fitter than thou
Shame to the manhood that sits on thy
brow,
Avow thyself equal to all that man may
Cease thine evading, God needs thee to-day

Move to the fore!

Move to the fore!
God Himself waits and must wait till you
come

Men are God's Prophets tho' ages lie dumb
Halts the Christ's Kingdom with conquest so near?

Thou, thou art the cause then, thou man
in the rear,

Move to the fore!

MRS. THOMAS MOOR

"But now abideth faith, hope love, these three; and the greatest of these is love."

It would seem as if Mrs. Moor might have taken as her ideal this celebrated utterance of the Apostle Paul, for it so aptly expresses her character. To those who knew Mrs. Moor in her relations with our Women's Foreign Mission Board, and to a host of friends throughout our con-

**MRS. THOMAS MOOR**

vention, the suitability of these words as applied to her sunny personality will be apparent.

In our Board meetings her faith and hope were outstanding, and her prayers, which we have missed now for many months, were alive with these graces. In her personal experience she realized the nearness of God, and her faith quite naturally reached out to claim his promises. Her Christian hope permeated all her relations with people and with work, and in a large measure accounted for her buoyant cheerfulness. She excelled in faith and hope, but even more apparent was her whole hearted love for all that pertained to the things of the Kingdom.

For ten years Mrs. Moor was in charge of our Bureau of Literature. Into this

work she threw all the enthusiasm of her nature. The amount of literature handled by this department trebled during her term of office, and finally grew so large that her failing strength could not cope with it. She was seventy-eight when she laid down this task. Her great love for the work and her joy in being actively engaged in our Missionary enterprise made her "carry on" in the face of physical fatigue and suffering.

We shall all greatly miss this faithful worker, but those who knew her will do their service better because of the inspiration of her life.

The Women's Baptist Missionary Society of the Maritime Provinces has suffered a great loss in the recent death of Mrs. J. W. Manning. She was for many years first Treasurer and then President of the Women's Baptist Missionary Union, the society by which the Women's Home and Foreign work of the Maritime provinces is done. Until her death she was Editor of "Tidings" the organ of the W.B.M.U. She is one of those whose passing means translation to a life of higher service and fuller joy. Her influence reached very far and she will be mourned by a multitude whom she has helped.

YOUR QUIET HOUR.

At most of our stations now, in India, we have a caste girls' school, and this month we might take these schools and girls for special prayer. The little girls learn to sing Christian hymns, to pray to the true God, and are so interested in the stories. They hear about Christ, and often tell the stories to their mothers at home.

Young caste men also attend our higher schools, and we might include these, and pray earnestly for them, that many may learn of Christ, and believe in Him truly, so that a welcome may await them, when called to exchange worlds, after being of more use for God in this.

M. F. C.

The Work Abroad

THE COCANADA GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

In writing about the school at this time, I think that I shall introduce the staff of the school to you first. I am enclosing a photo that was taken a year ago. In it are all the teachers except one. There are at present three Hindu men and nine Christian women. The headmaster who is seated next to me is probably well known to most of you, through the yearly reports that have been sent to Canada. He has been in the school for ten years, and during that time has rendered very efficient service. He has studied second year work in the university, but like a good many others, he has been unsuccessful in passing the examinations. When we consider that they have to be written in English, it is no wonder that many fail. He has what we should call normal training. He is a good disciplinarian and the school has prospered under him. Though he is outwardly a Hindu and has joined the Theosophical Society, he has told me that at heart he is a Christian. From many conversations that I have had with him, I should say that he really loves Christ, but not enough to endure persecution for Him.

The man who is sitting beside him is the music teacher. He gives his lessons to only the highest classes, and teaches them outside the regular hours. His name is Mr. Sastry. The drawing teacher is standing behind them. He gives us three days a week and spends the remainder of his time with Miss Baskerville's school. His name is Mr. Venkataratnam. He draws very well and is energetic and keen on his work.

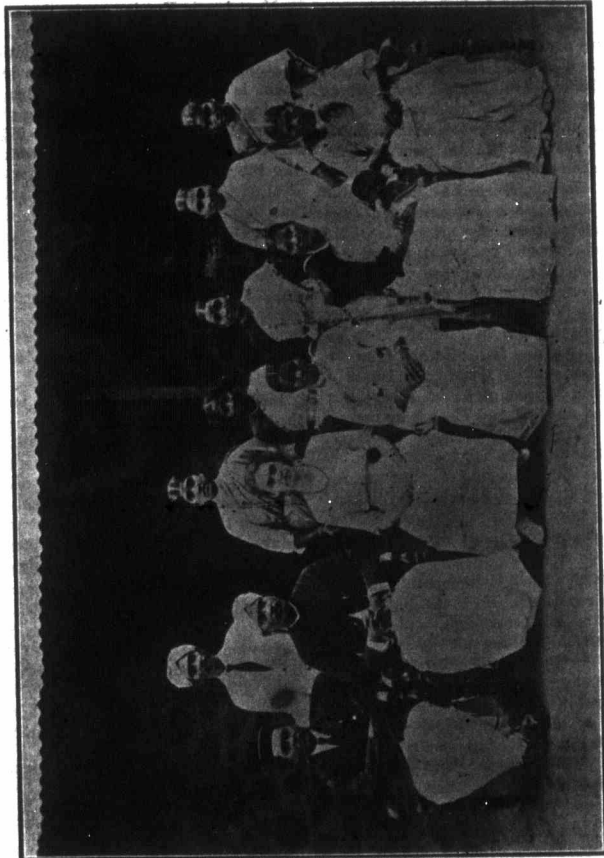
The young woman who is seated next me is Salome, a former pupil in the High School. She took secondary training and teaches the seventh standard which is next to the highest. She is a good teacher, and is the president of the Christian Endeavor. Last June, she was married to Mr. Jonadab, who teaches in the Train-

ing School in Cocanada. He, also, was a pupil of mine in the High School. Their marriage was a true love match.

Next her is Kundanamma, the matron. She is a higher elementary trained teacher. On account of her onerous duties as matron, her work in the academic department is very light, as she teaches only sewing and Bible. She is a very fine matron, and it would be difficult to get along without her. Her work during the past term when we had a great deal of sickness, has been heavy and she has not been well lately, but under Dr. Allyn's care in Pithapur, she has improved, and I hope that with the rest that she will be able to have during the holidays, she will recover completely and be ready for another term when school opens. When there is any sickness in the school, she is untiring in her efforts to help the girls who are ill.

Beside her is Kassie, who has been in the school a long time. She has never had any training, but the inspector has approved her work and exempted her from it. She is very excellent with the little ones. She takes the beginners and initiates them into the intricacies of the Telugu alphabet. She is very good in encouraging them in self-expression.

Just behind me stands Shanthamma, the third grade teacher. She, also, is a higher elementary trained teacher. When a little child, she was taken by a Christian family, though I believe that she is really a caste girl. She is only about nineteen, but has a dignified carriage and is taller than most Telugu women. She is very fond of her pupils and is a very good teacher. She lives in the boarding department to help with the work of caring for the girls. There is enough for several people to do. Most mothers think that their hands are full with only three or four children, but with 130, two women are kept busy. Of course, it is impossible for them to do all that a mother would do, but they keep the girls neat and orderly. It is specially Shant-



MISS CRAIG AND HER TEACHERS IN THE COCANADA GIRLS' BOARDING SCHOOL.

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hamma's work to try to get the girls to keep their clothes patched and the rents sewed up. The bigger girls do take some pride in their appearance, but the smaller ones are quite content to look wild.

Veeramma is the little woman beside her. She has the second grade. She taught till the end of October, and then expected to go to Pithapur, but a small son arrived that night. Lakshamma next her has the care of the fourth standard, and is a bright, intelligent teacher. Then comes Mrs. Israel, Jemima, who also had a baby not long ago. At the naming of the child I was given the honour of announcing the name, which was Tryphena. She was a dear little baby, ridiculously like her mother, but she was not with her parents long, for only a month after she came to them, she was taken away. The higher classes went to her funeral to show their sympathy for the mother. At the end of the row is Krupamma, who takes the little ones after they have left Kassie's class. She is only primary trained, and has not had much experience yet.

The one who is not in the picture is Lizzie, who studied for two years in the Women's Christian College in Madras. She is a very fine, lovely girl, and a great help to me in every way.

I think that on the whole, the school is very well staffed. The teachers take an interest in their pupils and their progress, and the school is getting on very well.

So far as the health of the girls is concerned, it has been the worst since I took charge. There has been a great deal of sickness all over the country, and we did not escape it. Cholera broke out in the dormitories, and seven girls altogether were taken with it, though the sanitary inspector, an Indian, told us that he was reporting only three cases of cholera and the rest bad diarrhoea. As they were light cases, I thought he could do as he pleased. It lasted only a week, but it was a long week. The authorities wished us to send the girls home, but Dr. Smith said that it would be better for us to

keep them. If they were already infected, they would only be ill after they left without proper care and spread the disease, or else they might get it out in their villages. We took every precaution we could, and God mercifully spared the lives of all the girls at that time. The morning after the first case was taken ill, the sanitary inspector sent some medicine for all to take as a preventive. Lizzie poured it down their throats from a medicine glass, and they looked like birds. I gave strict orders that the girls were to drink only boiled water or water with permanganate of potash in it, and they grew very tired of it. After the sick girls were better, we kept them in quarantine for some time, and when they were at last allowed to attend classes once more, they were more glad to get back to lessons than I imagine they had ever been.

Later, fever came, and as many as twenty girls were ill at once. One girl who had been taken home, died rather suddenly. It was a great shock to me. Her mother was a playmate of mine long ago in Akidu. She was very brave and quiet, but she did not attend the funeral service. There was no walling whatever, and that was a great relief to me.

A few days after that, a little girl died. The first one was a Cocanada girl in the sixth standard, but the second was from Samalkot and was only in the first standard. She had what the Indian doctor called typhoid fever with pneumonia. Dr. Allyn called it typhus influenza. Four doctors saw the little sufferer, but we could not save her life. She died on a Saturday evening, and we took her body to rest the next afternoon. Her mother and grandmother were with her for several days and her father came to see her while she was ill. As she was unconscious for some days before her death, she was saved a great deal of suffering.

We sent a couple of girls ill with fever to Pithapur and have had several in the hospital in Cocanada. I am glad to say that all recovered.

The behaviour of the girls has, on the whole, been better than usual. The sickness and deaths among them may have had a subduing and solemnizing effect on them. Six were baptized at the end of the term. A few more wished to join them, but the committee thought that they had better wait a while.

In July, while Conference was in session, the school gave a little entertainment. It was my idea to let the missionaries see what the girls were doing in their classes. As it was near the beginning of the term, there was no time for special preparation, so that they showed what they had learned in school in their regular work. They sang and played some games and did their drills very well. The little children are always very delightful in their action songs.

On Durbar day, we had a short meeting, when some of the girls gave some drills and songs, and Mr. Benjamin of the Training School addressed them on the subject of patriotism. He is a very interesting speaker.

The morning that school closed, we had a meeting when Mr. Barnabas, the pastor of the High School church, gave the girls a Christmas message, and the audience sang Christmas hymns, some to English tunes, and a few of the higher classes sang their English Christmas songs. I wished to have something for the girls to remember specially as they went to their homes for the holidays.

In July, we began a children's service on Sunday mornings. I have, for a long time, had a separate Sunday School for the little tots; but they all went to the church for the regular service. However, it was very hard for them to keep awake as they couldn't understand the sermon and they did no good there, so we decided that they had better have their own speakers. I have charge of what you might call the Children's Church, but I ask different people to come to speak. They are always delighted to come to help, and most of them have been able to keep the children's attention very well.

One morning, when my small class

came to me at school, I said to them, "Are you happy this morning?" They said "Yes," and when I asked them why, they gave me the unexpected answer, "Because you are."

When they are telling Bible stories, they sometimes give me a surprise. One very bright child, in telling about Christ in the temple, said that when Mary found Jesus, she said to Him, "Haven't you any sense?" I recognized my own remark that I sometimes make to the girls when they do something that I think they ought to have had sense enough not to do. It was rather startling, though, to hear it put in the mouth of Mary.

In the first two classes in Bible, we are using Mr. Clayton's new course. Only the first two books have been translated into Telugu. It is written specially for the people of India, and is splendid in the schools, I think.

On account of the heavy rains and the sickness in the school, we have had fewer excursions than usual. It was not possible to get down to the sea at all as the fields that we had to cross were largely under water when we wished to go. On Durbar Day, though, some of the older ones went down to the salt pans and the others went out for a play.

Before they went home for their holidays, as usual, they came to play in the compound, and be my guests. The women teachers came with them to help entertain them. It is like Bedlam let loose when they are free to do as they please outside. They may be quiet in their own yard, but when they get out, their idea of a good time is to shout. After they had played and run races, one of which, by the way, was a race with babies—rather tough on the babes, I think—they sat down to receive their gifts and candy. Each girl received a card and a bag with a pencil inside. The cards were unique, as they were old Christmas greeting cards that had been sent out to me for the school and that Lizsie had improved by pasting pictures in them to make them like miniature scrap books. The pencils had been sent out by my

aunt. She said that they were too short for the children at school in Canada to use, but they are delighted to have them here.

I sometimes receive gifts for special girls in the school from their supporters. I really think that though the gifts are sent with good intentions, it is better for people to send whatever they wish and leave it to the discretion of the principal as to what is to be done with them. Sometimes, a girl is sent a good many things, and she doesn't deserve them any more than other girls who receive nothing. The less said to them about being supported, the better, I think, except to make them feel that people in Canada are working and they ought to do the same. It makes a girl somewhat lazy to know that she is being specially provided for, and it is uphill work to get them to wish to be at all independent. After I had given each girl a bag, a parcel came containing three bags for one girl. I think it is too much for her to receive all that. In an institution such as this is all the girls ought to be treated alike. I am glad to receive whatever the people in Canada are generous to send, but I should like to use the things for the school or as prizes instead of giving individual girls special gifts.

I wish to thank you for the increase in the school grant. We sent sixteen girls to Bobbili in July to make more room here. I have found the estimates too narrow, as they left no margin for extra expenses. Other years, I have had to borrow from the treasurer for paddy at the beginning of the year, but it will be impossible to do that this coming year, as the Board won't let him have any extra money. I am therefore very glad that you have sent me a bigger appropriation. It seems to be the idea of the Bands and classes in Canada that all that has to be provided for is the food for a girl. I think that the boys and girls are intelligent enough to realize that buildings and teachers are needed. There is the thought that we haven't the ability to spend all the money that is given. All I need is a chance. There is not a desk

in the school. I should like to fence in a piece of land in front of the school, and put slabs in the verandah, and bring in the city water, as Mr. Chave, who is in the Department of Public Works told me that a well is not safe as it may be all right one day and infected the next in a city the size of Cocanada. As there are plenty of ways in which I could spend money on the school, there is no need to be afraid that we can not use all that you will send us.

I know that I have been remiss in sending quarterly reports, but I shall try to do better in future. My intentions are always good, but the time slides by before I realize that I have not written yet. Probably the length of this will make you thankful that I haven't sent you any of the kind before. I didn't mean to make it so long, but telling about the teachers took more space than I thought it would. When I once begin, like Tennyson's brook, I seem to babble on forever.

Laura J. Craig.

FROM MISS L. E. WILSON.

Bolivia, Dec. 6, 1921.

In August we went to La Paz for our yearly Conference. It was interesting to meet with the others of our staff, all of whom were present except Mrs. Turnbull and family.

Being Secy., my days were busy ones for we had to embrace the opportunity of being in town, to do some shopping.

We were delighted to bring back with us Mrs. Wilkinson and Miss Morton, our associate missionaries from Chochabamba. I always feel uplifted in their presence. They remained with us several weeks and I hated to see them go.

When they went away we began preparations for moving. We have had an Indian from La Paz out here for some months making repairs to the buildings in general, for all were in a very bad state.

We are now living farther up the hill

where we get a beautiful view of the sunsets. Our house is an old granary built over, or rather smoothed off inside and out with windows put in it. We had to help to do the papering and all the painting; but now that Miss Booker and I can both swing our arms at the same time without hitting one another, it is a great satisfaction. I had hoped that we might be able to have wooden floors, but the robbery of the Indians and the lawsuit in connection therewith has used up all the spare funds of the Society, so our floors throughout the house are nothing but mud.

You would be interested in seeing how we can cover them up. In one room we have khaki, and in another crude burlaps for a carpet. Of course carpet tacks will not stay long in mud, so we drove into the mud first, spikes from ten to twelve inches long and pounded the tacks into them. I smile when I think of people at home taking up their carpets to remove the dust from beneath them. The Indians are now white-washing the outside of the house, and we hope to get the doors and windows painted before Mr. Stillwell arrives. We have worked hard to make our surroundings comfortable and somewhat attractive, but it is well worth while. I know that some prominent missionaries of the past have not thought so, but I do. Compared with the homeland, our place is still very crude.

In November we took a holiday, having closed school the end of October. Of course you know we seek the valleys instead of the hills. I continue to receive letters sympathizing with me because of the heat; but the sympathy should be on account of the cold. We have very little summer weather throughout the year, and enjoy getting to a lower altitude, where we may wear thin clothes.

This year we went to a little town called Sorata, situated in a valley the other side of the mountains, about 40 miles from here. We made the journey on mule back, accompanied by a girl friend from the American Institute, La Paz. The Quakers are at work there, and are

preaching the gospel in a strong way. Their little meeting is usually filled with men and boys. A woman is rarely to be seen. The journey was tiresome and cold. Snow capped peaks are more attractive in the distance, than close at hand.

We decided to make the return trip, by the only other route possible, seven miles at each end by mule back, and the rest by auto.

We enjoyed the summer weather and the flowers of Sorata, but were glad to get home again to our little mud hut near the Lake. The Indians seemed glad to see us also, and the sick began immediately to come for treatments. The weather is very pleasant here now.

This week we are preparing a guest room in anticipation of Mr. Stillwell's visit.

Time seems to pass very quickly; but I do not like to think of returning for a long time, until I have seen some results of our efforts here. May the Lord of the Harvest reward us for His glory.

Let us pray earnestly for our pioneer worker in Bolivia:

M. E. H. in Tidings.

Sunday Flags

Little white flags float over the houses of Korean Christians on Sunday, and show to the world where the Christians live and that it is a holy day.—Exchange.

"And is our best too much? O friends, let us remember

That once our Lord poured out His soul for us."

Surprise

"O little bulb, uncouth,
Rugged, and rusty brown,
Have you some dew of youth?
Have you a crimson gown?
Plant me and see
What I shall be—
God's fine surprise
Before your eyes!"

Among the Circles

It is splendid the way in which many of the Circles have undertaken the campaigns for new members. The new life gained by this effort must mean great things for our work. Did you get each of those new members to subscribe for our Missionary papers?

If you received your letter from the Board after the campaign week was over, do not think it was too late to have the campaign. Some Circles are having theirs in April. As long as there is one woman in the church un-interested, the material for a forward movement is present.

Burks Falls

Our Mission Circle had a campaign in January as suggested by the Board. Eleven of our church members who were not members of our Circle were visited. Am sorry to say we only gained two new members. Our Circle has a monthly visiting committee, who will call on these, and those who are members, so perhaps we shall gain more in the near future by our persistency.

Mrs. J. N. Dodds, Pres.

Peterborough, Murray St. Circle

Inspired by the suggestion of our President, Mrs. Matthews, our Circle President, Mrs. U. D. Scott, with the assistance of the Executive Committee, organized a Campaign Week for the last week in January.

Our object was to secure more co-operation and sympathy in all our church activities, especially missionary organizations, prayer meetings and church attendance.

The work was cheerfully undertaken by thirty enthusiastic members, each one being allotted the names of four or five families.

On Wednesday evening, February first, at an enjoyable little six o'clock supper, reports were given by each visitor. In one hundred and twenty homes there had been encouraging receptions. We believe that the effort has been blessed, and will be productive of much increased interest in Baptist work and hope that such

seed-sowing for the Master may continue.

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Orillia

It has occurred to us that perhaps other circles might be interested to know of our success with the Membership Campaign which the Board recommended. We carried it out fairly fully in January, and our February meeting was specially stressed as a rally meeting. Results were very encouraging, and we had a splendid meeting, with an attendance of about twenty-five, at the home of Mrs. Merrick. Our meetings have been growing considerably in attendance and interest for many months. Much credit is due to our president, Mrs. C. B. Jones, for faithful and able work. A social half-hour at the close of the meetings seems to help. There is an increase of interest in the real work of missions, and our prayer season at each meeting is a time of blessing.

We shall miss greatly our pastor's wife, who has gone to St. Catharines, but we trust that she may be greatly used there.

G. M. W.

Strathroy

The annual meeting of the Strathroy Mission Circle was held on March 7th. The following officers were re-elected: President, Mrs. Murphy; vice-Presidents, Mrs. Mill and Mrs. McL. Brown; Secretary, Mrs. Greenwood; Treasurer, Mrs. Hambly; Agent for Visitor, Mrs. A. E. Wilson; Agent for Link, Mrs. McL. Brown.

This Circle raised \$129.61 during 1921, and paid levy of \$25 towards the Laura Allyn fund. Two native preachers are supported by individuals and another member is supporting a student in India.

C. McL. B.

Durham

The Durham Mission Circle has had a very successful year, both spiritually and financially. We held our annual thank-offering meeting in October, and an excel-

lent program was presented by the women of the Circle. Special mention might be made of our President, Mrs. C. Brown's talk on Psalm 116, also Mrs. J. Graham's paper on Thanksgiving. Our offering amounted to \$23.20. As almost all our ladies belong to the Circle, we are endeavoring to raise our giving this year by making our dues 15c in place of 10c as formerly. We are looking forward to better things this year.

J. MacLean, Sec-Treas.

ASSOCIATIONS.

The Women's Circles and Bands of the Guelph Association will meet in the Ontario St. Baptist Church, Stratford, on May 30th, with a morning, afternoon and evening session.

The morning meeting will commence at 10.30 a.m., and will be devoted to Band work.

Mrs. L. A. Therrien, of Grand Ligne, is expected to be present. Come!

Martha McAlpine.

Norfolk Association will meet in the church at Bloomsburg Tuesday, June 13th, at 1.30 p.m. Miss Anna Phelps, of the Royce Avenue Mission, Toronto, will tell of this important work among our New Canadians. Foreign Missions will also be well represented. Come.

F. M. Pearce, Director.

Western.

The annual meeting of Circles and Bands of the Western Association will be held in Wallaceburg, May 31, at 1.30. Will all the Circles send as many delegates as possible, and all Band Leaders be on hand, as Mrs. N. Mills, of London, will speak on Band work. Miss Mabce, Toronto, will address the evening meeting.

Ida Macgregor, Director.

We learn with regret that Mrs. Mills is seriously ill and will be unable to keep Association engagements. A good speaker will doubtless take her place.—
Editor.

The Young Women

Bimlipatam, Vizag Dist.,

February 8th, 1922.

Dear Readers of the Missionary Link,—

Two months in India! Yes, quite different from Canada too. Scarcely a day passes without seeing something unusual. Although everything is novel, yet the people are the most interesting. As we came from Bombay to the Telugu country we found ourselves in compartments with Indian women, great and small, rich and poor; gosha women were ushered into our quarters under cover of canvas, and a crying baby became our night companion. My reason for only mentioning women is because we were in a compartment reserved for ladies, which doesn't mean a pullman by any means. I wouldn't say that the men play no part in the life of India because they do. When your laundry arrives two or three days after a man's you realize they are more important than you. Then who could not be attentive when a cooly is dusting a freshly laundered garment with never a smile on his face.

Since reaching this land I confess I regard my English vocabulary as quite inadequate. Beets are not beets here but roots, gasoline is petrol, street cars are trams, hired carriages are gharries, bananas are plantains, our first meal is chota (meaning little breakfast), breakfast coming as the next meal—which always confuses a beginner. Cooks and table boys all go under the title of "Boy" if they are at a ripe old age.

It was my privilege while at Vizianagram at Christmas time to visit the Maharajah's buildings. There is both a home where they entertain visitors and the old fort where they live. Amidst all the relics and grandeur we saw silver and gold chairs, which the maharajah and his wife used. Also in Vizianagram is situated a university giving degrees; most of this building was given by the maharajah himself.

At some few miles out from there we were shown a fine new jute factory,

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which is equipped with the most modern machinery. At that time they were putting in a new ice plant. The manager served us to afternoon tea in his home across the railroad tracks and we had some real Scotch shortbread and current bun from the old land.

I could scarcely finish this letter without saying a little about Conference. In the first place the trip there in the Ford car was most enjoyable. India can certainly be proud of its fine roads with the shade trees planted along the sides. I could imagine some of you Canadians rushing along on such roads providing too many ox carts did not cross in front of you. Then Conference itself was a wonderful time for both making acquaintances and for getting an insight into the Mission work here. My impression now is the vastness of the work. Great things have been done, but the needs are tremendous. The responsibility is both yours and ours. May we be counted faithful.

Clara B. Hellyer.

CHRISTMAS DOINGS IN TUNI

Christmas—What a love-link this is! And when one has a family that is numbered by hundreds how much it means to have a lot of "happy comrades" who begin to think and work months ahead to help make possible a bit of cheer for this family, many of whom are just beginning to learn that Christmas stands for a time of joy. Hinduism has no such word as "Merry Christmas." This greeting that our folks sound out long before daylight that morning as they come to sing their Christmas songs, has been learned through Him Who came to bring great joy to all people.

As it will be some time before I can get a personal message to every one of the dear friends, old and young, who are such willing helpers, I am asking our mutual friend, the Link, to let you know that your parcels arrived and were all so useful. My little notebook tells me some interesting things—take a peep with me

and see some of them. Look at the places, over fifty cities and towns are linked up with Tunj, isn't that great! It makes me so happy to look over those names and think of the many links in that long chain, for it means that lots of our boys and girls from Vancouver right through the great West, and all along the line in our Northern Association, and even as far as New Liskeard in our Greater Ontario as well as those in our more favored Eastern Ontario, are learning the joy of thinking and praying for the "other sheep". And what enlargement of vision will come to those who have entered into fellowship with Jesus in teaching and training these young lives.

Now take a peep at the contents of the parcels—bags of many sizes, cards, blotters, pencils, dollies, quilts, print, little garments, scrap-books, needles and pins, Testaments and portions, also some money to buy something to put in the bags, etc., etc. These parcels began to come early and for a time the Elliot Bungalow was a receiving house, and my mind was at ease as to supply. Also the planning for our doings could be begun.

First, all the Evangelistic Schools in and near Tunj were called to the compound and examined and given their treat, then the Christians and their families were treated to a good meal of rice and curry, part of the cost of which was met by an Indian Christian lady in memory of her mother. This year a big tamarind branch made a fine Christmas tree and bore fruit three evenings in succession. Our day-school gave a short programme the special item of which was a Light exercise adapted from Mrs. Pearce's in the Visitor last year, and were then made happy by each receiving something from the tree.

The next evening several of my caste boys were invited and enjoyed their first Christmas tree. It was worth while to see their faces as they gathered round it to receive their gifts of a Testament, a

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Our Mission Bands

During the past months, Mrs. Mills, our splendid Band Secretary, has been very ill. We will all be glad to know she has begun to slowly regain her strength, but she must not have any work to do for a long time. Now, don't you believe that it would do her a wonderful amount of good to see the Band work just go ahead by leaps and bounds while she is unable to work? Look at our picture on the Link cover, and in your corner of the convention just see if you cannot start that band for which you are responsible. If you are faltering take your April Link and read again that first article "Limitations versus Power," and see if it does not make you want to do something right away.

A Band Leader.

THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER AND HIS ARMOUR

"The Soldier"

When you see real soldiers marching you know their captain has given them a command. He has said "Forward, March!" and instantly every man obeyed this command.

There is a large army in this world called the Christian army. There is one company right here in our Church, and another company is made up of our Missionaries in India. This great army has a Captain, who is very much mightier than any other; a Captain who is a friend to every member of the army. He said "Ye are my friends if ye do whatsoever I have commanded you." That is the way to show our friendship and love for Jesus—to obey His commands.

Jesus gave one very special command. It is "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." That is our order from our Captain. (See—"Our Marching Orders," and "Go.")

Then comes the question "Who shall go?" Jesus answers "Ye"—Those who are members of the Christian army must go.

Then "Where" shall the soldiers of

Christ go? The answer comes "Into all the world," where Jesus is not known.

"Why" shall they go? When the missionaries go to the heathen people they must "Preach" to them.

"What" shall they preach? Preach the "Gospel." Tell them there is a Saviour who loves them; who can forgive their sins; who can make them pure and good and altogether lovely.

"To whom" shall the message be given? Of course it must be told to every creature, to rich and poor alike until all have heard the glad message.

Let us repeat our marching orders together "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

Perhaps we think we cannot obey his command "Go ye" until we are older, but we can belong to the great Christian army that is marching on with Christ for the captain. We can give our money and pray for the soldiers of Christ—the Missionaries—in heathen lands and we can be obedient to our captain all the time. Then if we do this when we are older, we will be all ready to obey this (point to the chart) command "Go."

"The Christian Soldier's Armour"

Paul lived in Rome for a time and he must have seen the Roman soldiers wearing armour. Paul took the different parts of the armour as symbols of the Christian life.

In olden times a soldier wore an armour for the protection of his body, and he had to put on the whole of it or the enemy would find the weak place at once.

The first thing anyone does who wants to be a soldier is to enlist, and to be a soldier in God's army it is necessary to be first of all, a believer on the Lord Jesus Christ—"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." Just own that you want Jesus to be your Captain, and let Him help you to obey His commands.

A Christian soldier is one who wants to fight for righteousness, that is, for right-doing, keeping God's commands. Satan

wants us to do wrong. Satan is an unseen enemy; this is the worst kind of a foe and the fight with him lasts all our life. God wants us to think about and to do things that are true, honest, just, pure and lovely, and of good report.

Satan wants us to be untrue, dishonest, unjust, impure, unlovely, and he wants us to encourage bad thoughts. A Christian soldier has to fight against him.

Let us think now about the Soldier's Armour."

What is a helmet?

Ans. A helmet is a large hat to protect the head. Helmets are worn in hot countries to protect the head from the sun. A fireman's helmet protects his head from falling pieces of burning wood. A soldier's helmet is a defensive covering for the head, usually made of metal and lined with felt.

(Application.)

You have heard what a helmet is but what is meant by "Take the helmet of salvation?" To take the helmet of salvation is to enlist as God's soldier and to enlist means just believing on Jesus and being saved. You have to be saved before the rest of God's armour does you any good. So take the helmet of salvation."

What is a breastplate?

Ans. The breastplate used in ancient armour was the part which covered the front of the body. It was of leather covered with small rings of metal, like the scales of a fish. This kept the heart and lungs safe from the sword. The back of a Roman soldier was unprotected with armour so that he might always face the enemy—not run from him.

(Application)

The breastplate stands for righteousness—God's covering for His soldiers—We must be brave to do the right and face our unseen foe. God's word says "He hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness."

What is the girdle?

Ans. The girdle or belt was used to support the sword when it was not needed.

(Application)

The "Girdle of truth" is a symbol, which means everything that is true. Jesus said "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free. John 8: 32.

What are leg pieces of the armour?

Ans. The armour for the legs was made of metal and lined with some soft material. They were fastened with straps and ankle rings, and were richly ornamented.

(Application)

This was an important piece of armour, because all the body must be protected.

What are Sandals?

Ans. The shoes or sandals were often made of woven palm leaves, and some were made of leather and lined with cloth.

(Application)

"The feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace" refers to a missionary soldier of Christ. "And how shall they preach except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!"

What is the sword?

Ans. The ancient sword was short, straight, and two-edged. The soldier carried his sword in his hand or had it fastened close to him in his belt.

(Application)

Our sword is the Word of God and we find this Word in our Bibles. We want to memorize all the verses of God's word we can, for this is our ammunition with which to fight the bad thoughts in our life which the enemy Satan sends us.

Nowadays a soldier has his gun loaded and carries extra loads in a belt fastened round his waist. He does this to be always ready for the foe. So the Christian soldier must be prepared. We cannot always stop in our battles to go and read God's word. We must have the verses memorized and in this way "hid in our hearts that we may not sin against Him."

"The word of God is quick, and power-

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Business Department

A NOTE FROM THE SUPT. OF AGENTS OF LINK.

Dear Agents,—

I feel I must send a word to you loyal workers. You are so busy "House-cleaning" those lists to see that everyone is marked paid in advance of Convention. You have counted up how many of your number were discontinued this year, and you are determined to replace every one with a new subscriber before November.

If a paper is not wanted and it insists on going, you urge your subscriber to return the copy but please do not forget to indicate the name of the place as well as the name and street address, otherwise our trouble cannot be easily remedied.

Remember:—The "Link" in every Baptist home.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs. J. C. Doherty.

118 Gothic Ave., Toronto, Ont.

A BOX FOR INDIA

A goodly number of us have been almost overwhelmed by the advance in postal rates to India, particularly for parcels. Many who have been sending picture-rolls, cards, and bags for the use of the missionaries in their work have felt that it was costing almost more than it was worth.

In order to keep up the supply of materials for the missionaries, without so much expense at this end the Women's Foreign Mission Board of Ontario West have arranged to send a box by freight, which should leave here by August.

Those who wish to send supplies in this way should plan to have everything ready by the end of June.

Freight charges are not by weight but by cubic measurement and each one sending a parcel will be expected to pay a proportionate share of the expense.

These rates and other details will be furnished in the June "Link."

Personal gifts for the missionaries may also be sent in the box—but remember, it may take six months for the box to reach Cocanada.

For the benefit of those who are sending parcels to India by post we recently were informed at the Post Office that all parcels are sent via England and cost sixty cents for the first pound with an additional eleven cents for each of the next two pounds, and then a jump to one-thirty-five and so on—but parcels marked via Vancouver and Hong Kong cost only forty cents for the first pound and eight cents additional for each of the next two pounds. The latter route is longer and parcels take at least two months to reach their destinations.

TREASURER'S CORNER

I suppose you all know that our young Women's Circles have undertaken a stupendous task. Miss Pearl Scott applied to our Board to go out to India this fall, as our Missionary, and because our funds had been going behind for a year past, the Board could not see its way clear to send out any new missionary this year. And then it was that the girls came to the rescue. They simply "adopted" Miss Scott themselves, and by a strong united effort our Young Women's Circles are going to send Miss Scott to India, and take care of her, while she is there. So far \$155.00 has come in for this Fund. Toronto Indian Rd. Y. W. has sent \$40.00; Memorial Institute Y.W. \$15.00; Parkdale Y.W. \$25.00; First Ave. \$10.00; and Galt Water St. Y.W. \$10.00. From Toronto Walmer Road Philathea Class has come \$50.00; while Waterford Young Women have sent \$5.00. From these very generous gifts it would seem as if the girls were going to succeed in their undertaking.

The Cocanada Building Fund is growing also. So far we have received \$496.08.

The General Fund, however, has been dropping behind. I don't know why. But just a little greater effort on the part of us all will be needed to bring us through the year without a deficit. The "Canadian Baptist" has splendid news of the heroic gifts of our Toronto Baptists

for church building. I feel sure that these gifts will not lessen the regular gifts to Missions. It surely wouldn't be fair though to expect extra gifts from these churches for Missionary objects; so wouldn't it be a good idea, if all those Circles whose church homes are not requiring enlargement or rebuilding this year, would redouble their efforts along Missionary lines?

M. Campbell.

Mrs. Glenn Campbell.
113 Balmoral Ave.

THE YOUNG WOMEN

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text-card and a bag, etc., worth so much more because of the way they came to them. Some days before, parcels had been tied up for each Evangelistic School on our field containing bags with parched grain, picture Postcards, and a larger bag for the worker's wife in which we put needles, pins, a dolly and a small garment, and print for a jacket. On the third evening the tree did duty once more, this time bearing fruit for the whole field, for the workers were in and we had a happy time thinking about the tie that binds hearts and countries together before we stripped the tree.

Many loving salaams to you all and may you know much of His joy during this year.

Yours in His service,

Ellen Priest.

Tuni, February 20, 1922.

OUR MISSION BAND.

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ful, and sharper than any two-edged sword."—Heb. 4: 12.

"Take the sword of the spirit which is the word of God."—Eph. 6:17.

What is a shield?

Ans. The shield is the part of armour used to ward off sword strokes or missiles, such as arrows. It was made either of wood covered with tough hides or of metal, and was held in the left hand or

worn on the left arm. The shields were of different shapes, but the circular shield was the most common.

(Application.)

Perhaps you wonder how we can get God's shield of faith.—Faith is just simply believing God's word and acting upon it. "Above all taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked."

We will hear the Bible verses recited which tell us about the Christian's armour, (Eph. 6: 11-17) after we review what we have been hearing about the armour of ancient times and how it applies to our lives.

Note.—An enlarged drawing of a Roman Soldier may be made from the picture on "Roman Meal" food package, or from a Bible dictionary, or ancient History.

Arkona

Our Mission Band has just completed one of its most successful years. We are thankful for the many privileges we have had. Miss Eva McLeish was at several Band meetings during the year, thus further educating us regarding the Telugus. Just before her departure for India she directed the training of "One Day in India" put on by the young people of our church for the Band. The play proved inspirational and educational. The night of her "Farewell" our smallest laddie presented her with a bouquet of flowers and an envelope containing money and best wishes from the Band. In June Rev. Harold Eastman with his enthusiasm for Bolivia taught us to pray and think for that land. He gave an evening to a crowded church, showing us slides on that country to which he had intended going so soon. Last summer in July we hired a large truck, piled in over thirty boys and girls and went to Ipperwash Beach (fourteen miles away) for a picnic. We had a surprise after lunch. Mrs. Stillwell with her Telegu girl Victoria came to call. She told us the story of little Victoria's life after which Victoria sang for us. Our boys and girls are still talk-

ing about her and have more interest in Eddi Mary, our girl we are supporting in India.

At Christmas we packed a box for Memorial Institute, valued at twenty-five dollars. We had a Christmas message from Miss Anna Murray, originator of our Band, whom we all love. Last month our boy president prepared the programme, which was taken entirely by the boy members, and they surely did credit to themselves.

Last Easter two of our Young Ladies gave a concert, giving out little chicken sacks. The returns were very pleasing. We are in the midst now of preparing a concert for Good Friday.

Our Thermometer proved helpful in

gathering money this year and when it overflowed we were glad. We have raised \$111.00 this year.

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MISSION BAND LEADERS.

The reason the new Bands have not been reported in The Link is the illness of Mrs. Mills and the absence of Mrs. H. L. Smith from Toronto. It is good to know that new Bands are springing to life in a number of places. If possible we will have a complete list of those formed since convention in the June Link. That church where there is no Band, won't you get a leader and make the list one longer?

The Eastern Society

HOW CAN I HELP?

I wish that every woman in our constituency would ask herself this question and then resolve to answer it in the following way—

Seven months of our missionary year will have passed when this reaches you, and we are very far behind financially so we must begin to help with the Treasury.

If you are a Director will you give the matter of finance a prominent place at the Association. Let the Circles know that we are depending on them to keep up the record of last year.

If you are a President, will you make an every member canvas of your church and seek out new members. Have a Home Helpers Department and ask the "shut-ins," mothers of little children, and others who are unable to attend the meetings to join the Circle and pray for its needs.

Westmount Circle has by an organized effort secured twenty-two new members. A visiting committee has been appointed, which keeps in touch with the Home Helpers and gives them news of the Circle.

If you are a Treasurer will you send any money on hand to Mrs. John Kirk-

land, 26 Selby Ave., Westmount, Que., for at the time of writing, there are no funds in the Treasury to make the next monthly payment of five hundred and nineteen dollars.

If you are a plain every-day member you are in the most important place of all, for upon the rank and file the whole work depends.

What can you do to help?

Pray for our Treasury, regularly, definitely, believingly.

The Board members are giving a portion of the forenoon to definite intercession that God will supply the means for His work. Will you join our Circle? Will you ask the Lord "to give us a vision of the need of the Gospel in non-Christian lands and with the vision to grant us consecration for ourselves and our means to meet that need?"

Ethel C. Ayer,

President.

DO IT NOW

Dear Circle and Band Members

Have you been thinking of doing honour to your President or some much-loved worker amongst you? Why not present them with a Life Membership Certificate?

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M. Kirkland,
Treasurer.

On Tuesday, March 14th, under the auspices of the Young Women's Circles of Montreal, the sketch entitled a "Day in India" was presented to a large and appreciative audience assembled in the Westmount Baptist Church. Representatives of all the Young Women's Circles took part and portrayed in a most telling manner the manifold labours of our women workers in India.

Miss Marsh, of Quebec, assisted the girls in the costumes and enabled them thus to present, in a most realistic way,

incidents in the daily life and experience of the lady missionary in our Telegu field. The collection amounted to \$61.

On Thursday, April 6th, the Semi-Annual Day of Prayer was held in the Point St. Charles Baptist Church. Many earnest prayers ascended to the Throne of Grace and an hour of spiritual uplift was experienced as we pleaded with God for the needs of our beloved missionaries, and for the financial work of the Board. This meeting was followed by the annual Union meeting of all the Circles of Montreal. Encouraging reports from the Circles were read and the meeting was then addressed by Mrs. Woodley, a returned missionary from Turkey, who gave a most interesting account of the work amongst the Armenians and the Turkish women.

M. E. Barker,
Westmount.

OUR OFFER

To every New Mission Circle (Women's and Young Women's) and to every New Mission Band that is organized this Convention year, we offer—Free—a year's subscription to the "Link."

Send the name and address of your President, to "The Canadian Missionary Link, 118 Gothic Ave., Toronto, Ont.," and the award will be made at Convention.

From the Literature Department

It has been suggested that we tell you about our four studies on India, just what is in them.

No. 1. It has as an introduction an excellent inspirational talk to leaders. Then we have a general view of the country, and what nature loving boy or girl would not enjoy the mental excursion that follows, where you can almost see the snowy tops of the Himalayas, and the waters of the mighty Ganges, smelling meanwhile wonderful fragrances and seeing the bright plumaged birds, and all the wild creatures of the jungle, the tiger, the elephant and even the ever-present snakes. Then the history of the British possession follows with a reference to the Black Hole of Calcutta and the Sepoy rebellion. Who like thrilling "really truly stories?"

No. 2. Home life in India with its religions.

No. 3. Tells of the beginnings of our work there with the A.B.M.U., the formation of our Society, and the Women's Board, and the history down to 1920.

No. 4. Tells of the stations, describes briefly the different kinds of work done, introduces us to our earliest missionaries, and ends with a short paragraph about the Ramachandrapuram field and Miss Hatch.

The four can be had for 20c. They are exceedingly suggestive and lead one to wish for a further study of this great land and people.

A Map is suggested. We have one in colors, 28x34, bound with cloth, mounted on rollers, just the thing for this study, for \$1.50, or we will lend ours for two weeks for 10c. with postage extra.

Beacon Lights is an almost necessary adjunct (25c.). Among the Telegus (30c.). We also have stories regarding the different kinds of work of which you will hear more next month.

66 Bloor St. West, (Side Entrance)

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