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## THE GRACE OF GIVING.

*"As ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also."*

### "THE TREASURY."

*"Jesus sat over against the treasury, and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury." Mark 12: 41.*

O, render with a willing heart  
To God His own and rightful due;  
The "first" and "best" was e'er His part  
Of bird and beast and all that grew;  
And when to Him His own was given,  
The land received the smile of heaven.

"And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it willingly with his heart ye shall take my offering. . . . And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering." Ex. 25: 1, 2; 35: 21.

"Thou shalt give unto the Lord thy God, according as the Lord thy God hath blessed thee; every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord thy God, which He hath given thee." Deut. 16: 10, 17.

"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase; so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine." Prov. 3: 9, 10.

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." Mal. 3: 10.

"And Azariah said, Since the people began to bring the offerings into the house of the Lord, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty; for

the Lord hath blessed his people; and that which is left is this great store." 2 Chron. 31: 10.

In this matter of giving we are not under the law, but under grace. Yet under the law the servant gave a tenth, besides what the sacrifices and gifts and offerings cost, and that was more than another tenth. Love is a poor thing if it can't get more out of anybody than the law can.—*Rev. Mark Guy Pearse.*

*"Freely ye have received, freely give."*

"If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what a man hath, and not according to that he hath not. . . . Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give, not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Cor. 8: 12; 9: 7.

During the past year the contributions of our churches in the Amoy Mission amounted to \$8,208, an increase of \$1,876 over the previous year. For churches numbering only 1,400 members this a remarkable showing. Particular churches furnish a record even more remarkable. The first Church of Amoy contributed \$950, or \$8.88 per member. The second church contributed \$2,118, or \$13 per member. One must multiply these sums by ten to get the relative value of the contributions of these Chinese Christians as compared with those of Christians at home.—*The Mission Herald.*

After four sermons on "What the Bible Says about giving," a large number of the members of the Burman Church at Bassein have decided to give one-tenth of their income to the Lord.—*The Baptist Missionary Magazine.*

One of the most interesting of all missions is that of the Fiji Islands. For the past three years these Christians, though generally very poor, have given more than \$5,000 a year for foreign missionary work, besides supporting all their home work. Fiji is truly one of the jewels of missions.—*The Missionary.*

## IS IT NOTHING TO YOU.

*"When (Jesus) saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd."*

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians,

That millions of beings to-day,  
In the heathen darkness of China,  
Are rapidly passing away?

They have never heard the story  
Of the loving Lord who saves,  
And fourteen hundred every hour  
Are sinking to Christless graves!

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians?  
Can ye say you have naught to do?  
Millions in China are dying unsaved;  
And is it nothing to you?

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians,  
That in India's far-away land  
There are thousands of people pleading  
For the touch of a Saviour's hand?  
They are groping and trying to find Him;  
And although He is ready to save,  
Eight hundred precious souls each hour  
Sink into a Christless grave!

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians?  
Can you say you have naught to do?  
Millions in India dying unsaved;  
And is it nothing to you?

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians,  
That Africa walks in the night?  
And that Christians at home deny them  
The blessed Gospel light?

The cry is going up this morning  
From a heart-broken race of slaves,  
And seven hundred every hour  
Sink down into Christless graves!  
Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians?  
Will you say you have naught to do?  
Millions in Africa dying unsaved;  
And is it nothing to you?

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians?  
Oh, answer me this to-day!  
The heathen now are looking to you;  
To go, or to give, or pray.  
You can save your souls from bloodguiltiness,  
For in lands you never trod  
The heathen are dying every day,  
And dying without God.

Is it nothing to you, oh, ye Christians?  
Dare ye say ye have naught to do?  
All over the earth they wait for the Light;  
And is it nothing to you!

## TELUGU BAPTISTS IN NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA.

By Rev. F. Kurtz, Vinukonda, South India.

**A** RECRUITING station for coolies, or laborers to go to Natal, South Africa, was opened in Vinukonda, South India, in February, 1900. A great many poor people were out of work, and at the same time a number of teachers had been obliged to close their schools as their pupils had moved away. A few of these teachers gathered together a number of poor people and left for Natal. Some went first to Cocanada, where they attended the Baptist church under the care of the Canadian Baptist Mission; all were detained for some time in Madras where they had to undergo a governmental medical examination, as a result of which quite a number were rejected. While in Madras sixteen were converted and baptized into the Tondiarpetta Baptist Church. About 500 coolies from Vinukonda and the surrounding stations went to Natal during 1900, of whom three hundred were members of Baptist churches. Their traveling expenses are all paid by the company which employs them. It also furnishes their clothing, food and houses, and pays each person eight rupees a month, or about \$2.60. This is increased one rupee a month for each succeeding year of the five for which they enlist. At the expiration of their contract they are returned to India unless they prefer to remain in Natal, where a large number doubtless will settle down and establish themselves permanently on their own farms.

The hundred church members who went from the Vinukonda churches sent to relatives in India, in 1901, more than one thousand rupees in cash, over \$330.

On one of the large estates at their new home a Baptist church has been organized and regular services are held in a hall, which the proprietor has given them. It probably never occurred to Mr. Day or Mr. Jewett, the founders of the Telugu mission, that the work they began would extend into Africa. There are already 70,000 Hindus in South Africa, and they are rapidly increasing and will continue to, now that all that region has been annexed to the British Empire.

The Baptist Home Mission Society in South India, is endeavoring to send out to these people two evangelists. These coolies are peculiarly susceptible to the influences of Christianity. As caste distinctions

are largely lost sight of under their changed surroundings, and there are no idol temples nor priests to attract or influence, many of the temptations which surround new converts in India are absent in Natal. As soon as the time for which the coolies are engaged expires we may hope to see permanent self-supporting Baptist churches there. Thus the Indian famine has worked for the spread of the gospel just as persecution did among the disciples in Jerusalem.

### SPECIAL CALL TO SPECIAL PRAYER AND EFFORT.

*"When thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, then shalt thou bestir thyself: for then shall the Lord go out before thee to smite the Philistines."*

In the *Baptist Missionary Magazine* for April, Dr. John McLaurin, speaking of the Decennial Missionary Conference at Madras, and the American Baptist Missionary Conference at Nellore, says:

"There was a spirit of expectation, of hope and of faith pervading the meetings which I had never seen before. . . . We are looking and longing and praying for a great awakening in India. In thirty-three years I have not seen or felt such a spirit of faith and prayer as there is here to-day. There is material ready for an immense conflagration—missionaries, native pastors, teachers, native Christians, Eurasians, Anglo-Indians, and tens of thousands of educated Hindus who know enough of Christ to receive him as Saviour if the Spirit comes in power. The possibilities of the situation are such as should send the Churches of Christ to their knees. I feel as if we could not, should not, dare not let this opportunity pass."

### A CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.

Substance of a Letter slightly abridged for want of space.

In view of the promising fields, and the urgent need of men and money for India and Bolivia; the desire of some to go, but the lack of funds to send them; and still sadder, the depleted state of our Missionary Treasury; it is proposed to organize a Contingent, of those who will enlist for *six months*, to do what they can, by giving and collecting, for our Foreign Missionary work.

Such a corps of volunteers has been formed already in Montreal, and it is hoped that others may be, especially in the populous centres, where volunteers may enroll from any quarter.

The volunteers' pledge shows the spirit and object of the movement:

"I agree for the next six months to enter the Foreign Mission service as a worker in the Home Department. I promise to pray for the missionaries, and for the conversion of the heathen, and to give all the money I can spare, or collect, to support that mission."

The money thus given is not to be from other beneficent contributions, but from our own gratifications and pleasures. To do this with cheerfulness we need to acquaint ourselves with our missionaries and their work, by reading the *LINK* and any other sources of missionary information, and by being in touch with Him who came to seek and to save the lost, and said, "As my Father hath sent me into the world, even so send I you." For certain it is, that to inspire interest in others, we must be inspired with interest ourselves.

The duty to give all we can, and get all we can to give, is not easy. But neither is that of any soldier. Much that is pleasant has to be relinquished, and much that is difficult undertaken and endured. But we are workers together with Him who gave Himself for us.

A great help in getting others to give would be the little mission boxes furnished free by our General Missionary Board. Send a post card to the Baptist Book Room, 9 Richmond St., W. Toronto, for as many as you can use, and distributing them considerably, lovingly, and with prayer, you will be surprised how many will receive them, and how much will be contributed.

The money thus raised is not to form a separate fund, but is to be sent through the Church, the Circle, or the Band, or direct to the Foreign Mission Treasurer. And now shall we sit still, or be at ease while the needs are so great and urgent, and the Master says, "Go ye also into the vineyard." No, the call is sounded. Who will enroll, and come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty? Send your name to our Foreign Mission Secretary, Rev. J. G. Brown, 177 Albany Ave., Toronto.

AMELIA MUIR,

2440 St. Catherines St., Montreal.

### GONE TO HER REWARD.

In the death of Mrs. M. B. Ingalls, the American Mission in Burmah has lost one of its strongest and most successful workers. Taking up the work about the close of Judson's time, she had enjoyed a longer period of service than most missionaries and been privileged to witness greater results. She was married to Mr. Ingalls in 1850, and went with him to Akyab, Arracan. After the short period of five years of happy united service her loved husband was taken from her, having died at sea between Calcutta and Rangoon. Mrs. Ingalls returned to America for a brief period and then went back to Burmah under appointment of the Missionary Union for independent work there to spend the remainder of her life for the Burmans, with the exception of two short furloughs at home. Contrary to the counsel and earnest wishes of her friends, who feared for her safety, she moved to Thongze, then a remote village in the wild jungle of Lower Burmah, but the success of the work proved the wisdom of her courageous undertaking. She lived to see the wild village become a place of some importance, their rude modes of travelling superseded by comfortable rail cars between Thongze and Rangoon, and took advantage of the opportunity for the distribution of Christian literature at the stations and railway trains.

This afterwards developed into the establishment of regular reading rooms which she kept supplied with good literature of Christian and a general character. But above all, she had gained the confidence of the people as a Christian missionary, recommending in her life of love among them the religion she taught, and having the joy of seeing hundreds turn from their idols to a belief in Jesus Christ our Lord; also the establishment of schools and churches, till Thongze became one of the most successful mission stations in Burmah.

A notable feature of her work was her success in winning Burman priests from their superstition and idolatry, and seeing more than a hundred of them become humble followers of Jesus, throwing off their yellow robes, and many of them preaching the Gospel they once despised.

A beautiful life has fulfilled its mission. She has ceased from her labors and her works do follow her. Many Burmans have arisen to call her blessed who shall shine as stars in her crown

of rejoicing when Jesus comes to reward His servants.

The story of Mrs. Ingalls' life has been published in Boston, and can be procured through our Bureau of Literature. Price, 25c.

### A SUCCESSFUL MISSIONARY CONCERT.

May I tell you about our missionary prayer meeting? which, by the way, is the best meeting of the month.

The secret of success in missions is found in the prayer meeting; for there one can talk informally on this great theme. Our people ask questions there which show that they are reading and thinking on the subject. Also this year we have nearly doubled our annual offering.

Our plan is to appoint committees of one each for the different fields, and these report the latest news from their fields at the missionary prayer meeting. At the end of the year a redistribution of fields is made, to widen each one's missionary horizon. The plan requires the reading of missionary intelligence in such a way as to be able to present it extempore and avoid the reading that so often kills a meeting. Of course, the Pastor needs to be in hearty and intelligent touch with these services, to guide and supplement them, etc. We can heartily recommend this plan to any who have no better one.—Condensed from Joseph Taylor, Columbus, Ohio, in *The Baptist Missionary Magazine*.

In the April number of *The Missionary Review of the World*, are three very interesting and instructive articles; "The Christian Occupation of India," tracing Christian missions there almost from the Apostolic period, by Rev. H. P. Beach, M.A., F. R. G. S., N. Y.; "The Madras Decennial Conference," with its appeals to Europe and America for 9,000 missionaries, by Rev. Geo. H. Rouse, D.D., Calcutta, India; and "The Remarkable Movement Toward Self-support in Siam and Laos," by Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D.D., New York. These, with a review of the life of R. C. Chapman, Barnstable, Eng., by the Editor-in-chief, etc., help to sustain the high standard of this valuable Journal. Published monthly by Funk & Wagnalls Company, 30 Lafayette Place, New York. \$2.50 a year.

## Our Work Abroad.

### NEWS FROM THE FIELD.

*Vuyyuru.*—Miss Selman writes:—In camp, Feb. 27. Have been out on tour just four weeks and expect to do about three weeks more before I go to Akidu. Have two Bible-women with me, one not able to do more than half that should be done; but must be patient and do what I can.

We are feeling much encouraged that many of our Christians are more desirous of hearing and knowing the Word. The caste women are listening very well.

Just now a large heathen festival is going on near here, and although hundreds are going to it—in two villages we visited yesterday we found many who said, "we found nothing in it and we are not going again." Isn't that encouraging? We are selling a great many portions. Matthew, Mark, Luke and John sell in Telugu for one half cent each. Many Hindu school boys are buying. We are hoping and praying for much blessing on the Word. I guess all the missionaries are looking rather anxiously for new men and more money. There is so much to do, hundreds of villages are untouched. Remember us ever in your prayers.

*Cocanada.*—Miss Simpson writes regarding the cut. I decided to relinquish \$20 of the money granted for the Zenana work, though I do wish I had it, as two of our old Bible-women are returning to town and there is so much work, that I would so like to be able to employ them, at least half the day. Again she writes, I am hoping all the time that the money will be forthcoming so that I may get my \$20 back again for the work, for there is so much room for extension in the way of more Bible-women and more teachers. To-day there has been a bathing festival about two miles from Cocanada, and of course that means no school. I went out to the place and we distributed about a thousand tracts to the crowds. Mr. Laflamme and his men were there distributing too, so that there was a good deal of seed sown in that way.

*Akidu.*—Miss Morrow writes from *Glad Tidings* near Vuyyuru. They have put me in charge of the boarding schools—after Mrs. Chute leaves. Miss Selman is to spend the hot season with me so that I will not be entirely alone with the natives while the canals are closed, when I could not get out if I

wanted to reach civilization. I did not ask for any one, but Mrs. Chute and some of the others said they would not consent to my being alone. Yes, the work is great on this field and now that we are to be left for a while without a missionary it seems much greater and we do need your prayers, and hope we are never forgotten by our supporters at home.

I am on tour now. In five days more this canal is to be closed and I will have to send my little home back to the river near Akidu and finish my tour by cart, bicycle, etc., sleeping in chapels and native houses. My work is going on very well—am having good meetings both with Christian women and Sudras. They listen well round here and are very friendly.

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### "A FACE ILLUMINED."

God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

The following incident, of which we were eyewitnesses, is but one of the many constantly occurring on the mission field in India, which manifest God's power to illumine the lives of the most ignorant and superstitious.

One afternoon my Bible-woman and I were led by the Holy Spirit to a little community of Madigas, or leather workers, in the city of Cocanada. Neither the place nor the entrance to it was very odoriferous, and when we arrived we found few of the people at home. Some had gone into the town to dispose of their wares, others to the fields for fuel and grass, while others, doubtless, had gone to the bazaar to make the necessary purchases for the evening meal. After wandering about the place, peeping in and around the houses in search of an audience, we came upon a woman seemingly with nothing special to do and with an inclination to listen to what we had to say. Seating ourselves in the shade of a hut with our audience of one before us, my Bible-woman and I alternately, sought by means of hymns and the Word of God, to give the woman an intelligent idea of the Way of Life. Our hearer was very untidy, with a very frouzy head and a soiled garment carelessly arranged. She was thoroughly illiterate and, perhaps, not as intelligent as the average woman of her class, but

Although they were four months without a President after Mrs. Campbell left them, still they kept up their regular monthly meetings, sometimes only two were present and these two had to walk two miles, but they would offer prayer, read the scriptures and sing. Oh that more had this missionary zeal. During the thirteen years of their existence this little band of workers has raised over \$150.00, which has been divided between Home and Foreign Missions. Two new members were received last quarter.

MRS. C. E. PINEO,  
*President.*

DRUMMOND.—The annual Thank-offering meeting of the Ladies' Mission Circle was held on Thursday evening, of January 15th. Our pastor, Rev. H. L. Nichols, gave an address on his missionary work in Central Africa, showing limelight views, which was very much appreciated by all present. Mrs. Nichols also sang in the African Language. A good program of reading, recitations and music was presented, all of a missionary character, which was enjoyed by all present. The offering was taken at the close amounting to \$16.10, to be equally divided between Home and Foreign Missions.

BELLA McLAREN,  
*Sec.-Treas.*

GUELPH.—The Mission Circle of the First Church, held its annual Thank-offering meeting on the evening of the 11th of April, (Rev.) Mr. Merrill presided. The most interesting part of the program was an address by Miss McLaurin, giving a sketch of her life and work in India. This was very much enjoyed by every one, and we trust we may do more for missions than ever before. Miss Moore and Mrs. Hope sang beautiful solos, which were much enjoyed. After the Scripture texts were read and the doxology was sung a very profitable meeting closed with prayer. The Thank-offerings amounted to \$17.50.

MRS. ALF. HOWARD,  
*Secretary.*

MONTREAL.—The Day of Prayer this month was observed by the Circles in union with their annual united meeting, which was held this year in the Olivet Church Parlors. There was a very good attendance, all the Circles being well represented. The opening service was in the hands of Mrs. Claxton and there were many earnest prayers offered. As the President remarked in her address, these were the more needed at this time when, co-incident with the regretted cut in India, news came from that field of a strong revival. At the close of the first hour, in the absence through illness of the President, Mrs. Jones, Miss Barker, Vice-

Pres. of the Olivet Circle, took the chair. The Presidents of the other Circles were asked to come forward and the regular program opened. Reports were received from each Circle and these were interspersed with several interesting papers. The beautiful solo, "Oh Rest in the Lord," sung by Miss McMartin, was also part of the program. Before the meeting broke up, the ladies of Olivet provided their guests with liberal refreshments.

ETHELWYN E. CROSSLEY.

## MISSION BANDS.

TOWNSEND CENTRE.—Our Band of Willing Workers has just re-organized and is glad to report a membership of 35. Interest increasing. We are trying a Systematic Study of Missions, which we believe will be beneficial. The older pupils are giving the lessons in turn to the benefit of leader and scholars. We are looking forward to happy work together for Christ. We want to be led by His hand not only to be home missionaries, but that one at least may be led to the foreign field.

BERT SWANTON,  
*Secretary.*

BRANTFORD, FIRST CHURCH.—Since our Band was organized, Feb. 7th, 1903, we have enjoyed some very helpful and interesting meetings, which we hold every second Sunday after the session of the Sabbath School. Our name is Timpany Mission Band. On March 27th, Mr. C. J. Cameron entertained us with his illustrative address from Home Mission fields, which was enjoyed by all present. We hope and pray for greater usefulness this coming year.

MORT. SECORD,  
*Secretary.*

DAYWOOD.—On January 14th we were invited to the parsonage, and Mrs. Catchpole (our pastor's wife), organized a Mission Band with eight members, named the "Banner Mission Band." We elected as officers:—President, Miss Jennie Day; Vice-Pres., Miss Ethel Day; Sec.-Treas., Hannah Day. We have added five new members since organization.

H. DAY, *Sec.*

## The Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Ontario (West).

Receipts from March 10th, 1903, to April 15th, 1903, inclusive.

### GENERAL ACCOUNT.

FROM CIRCLES.—Toronto, College St., special coll. \$4.18; Woodstock, First Ch., \$13; Woodstock, First Ch., \$5; Ayr, 50c.; Bobcaygeon, \$1.35; St. Catharines.



Queen St., \$12.28; London, Talbot St., (\$3.16 spec. coll.), \$16.76; Peterboro', Murray St., (\$3.77 annual coll.), \$19.32; Aurora, \$4. (Thank-offering, for Mr. Reekie, Bolivia, \$5.30); Kenilworth, ... \$7.20; Scotland, \$10.20 Thank-offering), \$15.20; New Sarum, \$6.40; New Liskeard, \$3.40; Paisley, (\$8.80, Thank-offering), \$11.80; London, Egerton St., Y.L.M.C., \$5.85; Brooke \$4.65; Brantford, Immanuel Ch., \$11.50; Harrow, \$5; Leamington, \$3.50; Colchester, \$2; Burgessville, \$10; Brooke and Inniskillen, \$1.35; Greenbank, \$2.51; Hamilton, Herkimer St., \$3.50; Sarnia, \$11; Toronto, Western Ch., \$8.25; Toronto, East, \$2; Barrie, \$9.50; Plympton, \$1.25; Toronto Junction, \$5.35; Guelph, First Ch., \$2.50; Beachville, \$3.58; Springfield, (\$2.30 Thank-offering), \$5; Mount Forest, \$6.03; Ridgetown, \$5.35; Tara, \$2.25; Toronto, Ossington, Ave., \$3.65; Tyne-side, \$1.20; Wyoming, \$1.83; Windsor, \$5; Hamilton, James St., \$14; London, Maitland St., \$2; Meaford, \$1.50; Teeswater, \$1.25; Brampton, \$4.10; Bruce North, \$2.10; Erin, \$3; Gilmour Memorial Ch., \$7; Toronto, Bloor St., (15 cents add. Thank-offering), \$42.09; Toronto, Bloor St. Y. W. Auxiliary, \$4.90; Wingham, \$2.85; Toronto, Memorial Ch., \$5; Toronto, Calvary, \$10; Guelph, Trinity Ch., \$11; Guelph, Trinity Ch., Thank-offering, towards Life-membership, \$17.03; Cramahe, \$2; St. George, \$6.30; Toronto, Walmer Rd., \$17.22; Toronto, Dovercourt Rd., \$7.78; Toronto, Beverley St., \$12.38; Burford, \$1.25; Hartford, \$5; Hillsburg, \$2.25; Parry Sound, \$1.35; Parry Sound, Thank-offering \$5.65; Stouffville, \$3.60; Hamilton, Victoria Ave., \$7.35; Lindsay, (\$2.85, special Thank-offering), \$13.42; Brantford, First, for Miss MacLeod, \$25; Cheltenham, \$5; Dutton, \$1.80; Midland, \$2; Nissouri, West, \$4; Wilkesport, \$2.05; Alvinston, \$2.50; Elderslie, \$3; Jaffa, \$2.57; Lakeshore, Calvary, (\$25 for D. Susi and 85 cents on Life-membership), \$37.95; Listowel, \$2.40; Salford, \$6.70; Daywood, \$3.25; Fingal, \$2; Bethel, \$4; Arkona, \$2; Collingwood (\$3.50 Thank-offering), \$5.50; Forest, (\$1.75 Thank-offering), \$4.50; Haldimand, \$1.25; Sault Ste. Marie, for Bolivia, \$5; Strathaven, \$4; Woodstock, Oxford St., \$3.25; Norwich, (\$3.10 Thank-offering and \$3 for Dr. Hulet's Bible-woman), \$11.67; Brantford, Calvary Ch., (\$4.75 for lepers) \$16; Font-hill, \$3.25; Gladstone, \$7.40. Total, \$630.70.

FROM BANDS.—Uxbridge, for Suria Pedda Achemma, \$17; Wheatley, \$1.50; Bridgen, \$2; London, Egerton St., \$8.70; Owen Sound, for Enteti Satyanandam, \$25; Lakefield, \$5; Sarnia, (\$10 for Bolivia), \$12.06; Sarnia, Brock St., \$2.25; Toronto, Bloor St., \$3.18; Scotland, \$1.50; Norwich, \$5; Guelph, Trinity Ch., for Bolivia, \$10; St. Mary's, for Student, \$6.50; Peterboro', Murray St., special \$15; St. Catharines, Queen St. for Apikatla, Anandarao, \$2.50; St. George, for Suria Kanamma, \$4.75; Cheapside, 55c.; Stouffville, \$2.88;

Oshawa, \$2; Forest, 50c., Green River, \$1.25; Brantford, Calvary Ch., for D. Karunamma, \$9. Total, \$137.52

• FROM SUNDRIES.—Ayr Ladies' Aid Society, 50c.; Investment—Mjas Nellie Davies' gift, \$10; Mrs. R. W. Elliott, special for Miss Pratt, \$25; St. Thomas, Centre St., J. C. E. for P. Adiyya, \$10; Toronto, Beverley St. Y. P. S. C. E., \$4.62. Total, \$50.12.

Total receipts during the month - - - - \$818.34

DISBURSEMENTS.—By cheque to General Treasurer, on estimates, regular and special \$589.53. *Extras*—For leper woman, Jarvis St. M. C., \$1.45. Bolivia—Guelph, Trinity Ch. M. B., \$10; Sarnia M. B., \$10; Aurora M. C., for Mr. Reekie, \$5.30—\$25.30.

Total disbursements during the month - - - - \$616.28

#### "MEDICAL LADY" FUND:

Receipts—Circle, St. George, \$6.95; Individual, Miss Rhoda Massecar, Springfield, Mass, \$25. Total, \$31.95.

Disbursements.—By General Treasurer for Dr.

Gertrude Hulet - - - - - \$41.67

#### GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Total receipts since October 21, 1902 - - - \$3,811.48

Total disbursements since October 21, 1902 - \$3,660.56

#### "MEDICAL LADY" FUND.

Total receipts since October 21, 1902 - - - \$143.43

Total disbursements, since October 21st, 1902, \$250.02

VIOLET ELLIOT,  
Treasurer.

109 Pembroke St., Toronto.

### POWER OF A GOOD EXAMPLE.

The *Missionary Herald* tells a story of a Scotch woman, whose practice it was to give a penny a day for missions, to whom a visitor gave a six-pence to procure some meat on learning that she had not lately enjoyed that luxury. She thought to herself, "I have long done very well on my porridge, so I will give this sixpence also to God." This fact came to the knowledge of a Missionary Secretary, who narrated it at a missionary breakfast. The host and his guests were profoundly impressed by it, the host himself saying that he had never denied himself a chop for the cause of God. He therefore instantly subscribed a thousand pounds additional, and others of the party followed his example, till the sum of two thousand pounds was raised before they separated. This is a good illustration, not only of the power of example, but also of the fruitfulness of self-sacrifice.

## Youths' Department.

### ZENANA WORK.

**W**ELL, boys and girls, when the February LINK told you a story about "a walk in India," we expected to tell you more in March, but it will be May before you hear it. Our first talk was of the baby girl being born, and the way she was sold to the person who would pay the highest price for her. The next thing would be to pierce a tiny hole in her nose, and put a clove through it. By and by, when she is married to her little husband, the clove will be taken out of her nose and the wedding ring put in the hole. That is where the women in Central India wear their wedding rings instead of on the finger as your mamma does.

Shall we visit a Zenana with the missionary? She used to start early before the sun was hot, taking a native woman who loved Jesus with her to help in the singing.

As they came near the house, the Bible women would call out in the Indian language, "We are coming! are you ready to let us in?" You see they have no door-bells as we have in Canada. I the answer came, "Not yet," they must wait outside the door until it was opened unto them. Waiting is pretty hard in that hot land, but at last the word comes, "Ready;" and the question, "Is there a man in sight?" (for these women shut up in the Zenana are very much afraid of being seen by any man except their own husbands.) The door is opened and we walk in. See those mats in the corner, they are for beds at night; in the morning the women shake them, roll them up and stand them in the corner out of their way. What a crowd of women and girls! Each son brings his little wife home to his mother to be taught how to cook his food. The missionary must now answer a great many questions. After their curiosity is satisfied she asks the Bible women to sing. "No, not yet! we must be made welcome first," she whispers. Then the old mother sends one of the little wives for her spice box, and takes a key from her dress to open it. (The house is not very clean, neither are the women. It is hard to see a morsel of food being prepared for the missionary by the hands of this old mother when she has to stop and scratch her head several times while getting it ready.) A leaf is brought and a great mixture of

spices and curry made on it, then the leaf is rolled up and given to the missionary who must eat it as a sign of friendship before the women will listen to her story about Jesus. We cannot imagine how disagreeable these little things are, but our missionary prays for God's help and bravely does what is asked of her. Then she sings her hymn, talks of Jesus, prays to him for these poor women, and goes back to the mission house to rest.

No man could go and preach to these high caste women. That is the reason a young lady is sent out to help the missionary and his wife at each of our mission stations.

God is making up his jewels from these dark India homes just as He does from our Churches and mission bands in Canada. Souls are all the same color in God's sight. First, black with our sins, then red with the precious blood of Jesus, He makes them whiter than snow, and by and by in the glory-land will present us all to God the Father without one spot or stain. Then we shall sing His praises and crown Him King of Kings. We shall be so glad in that day that we gave our money to the mission band so that the Bible stories can be told day after day in the dark Zenanas of India by the kind missionaries.

SISTER BELLE.

Ottawa, April, 1903.

### GOING TO MISSIONARY MEETING.

We thought we would go to the meeting,  
'Cause mamma's so bothered to-day;  
That funny old lady that's calling  
Must have something 'portant to say.

So while they were talking and talking,  
We put on our warm winter wraps;  
I took this soft muff and umbrella,  
I thought we might need them, perhaps.

But baby's got tired and left me,  
Don't know as I'd better keep on;  
I s'pose they are hunting and calling,  
To see where the children have gone.

I guess, though, I'll go, now I've started,  
And carry my pennies so bright,  
For mamma would say, if she knew it,  
"My little girl's doing just right."

She says that not only the big folks,  
But all of the little ones, too,  
Can help tell the lost ones 'bout Jesus,  
So I'll do all I can, wouldn't you?

—A. S. H., *Missionary Messenger*.

# W. B. M. U.

## Of The Maritime Provinces.

All Communications for this Department should be addressed to Mrs. A. J. Christie, Amherst, N.S.

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

PRAYER TOPIC FOR MAY.—*For Chicacole and out-stations, and for all the workers. For a blessing also upon all the work of the North-West Baptist Mission Boards.*

### Notes from Provincial Secretary for New Brunswick.

Dear Sisters:—

The winter is passing, but flying snow-flakes to-day forbid us saying that it is over. No doubt, however, when these notes meet the eyes of our sisters, it will be "over and gone."

The spring is the worst possible time for W. M. A. S. notes from N. B. Bad roads, storms, and in so many places a scattered population make winter work a difficult problem. There is a tendency, too, in a few places, to hibernate for the winter months. A relic of old days, old habits, when the lumber woods absorbed all the masculine population, from fifteen years old and upward to seventy, and the wives and mothers, a few small boys, and aged grandfathers took care of the stock, kept house, and waited for spring. The churches were closed, unless some minister came along for a few weeks; Sunday Schools closed too, till spring, and Aid Societies there were none. Now, in most places, times and manners have changed, yet still a few Sunday Schools and Aid Societies retain the old habit of sleeping through the winter, and like all other hibernating creatures, coming out in the spring lean and hungry. We know there are difficulties to be faced, and in country places especially, the winter is a hard time.

But yearly this state of affairs is passing away. Thank God for the faithful workers in this province! They are increasing day by day.

Miss Tingley, County Secretary for Westmoreland, while regretting that she has been unable to give more time to the cause, reports earnest work in many societies, and good feeling in all. It is to be expected that much would be done in Westmoreland. That county has more missionaries in India than any other county in N. B.

Moncton is doing good work as usual, no doubt better than usual.

Lewisville has a fine band of workers.

Sackville and Middle Sackville are working on steadily.

Harper's Brook and Midgie are doing well.

Point de Berte, while regretting the loss by removal of their Vice-President, are faithfully working and planning larger contributions this year.

Many societies in Westmoreland are resolved to do more than last year.

Albert County must feel the loss of their energetic Secretary, Miss Horsman, who is at Acadia Seminary. The work will progress with greater rapidity when she returns early in June.

Surrey Valley has just celebrated its quarter century of work.

Harvey will suffer loss by their President and pastor's wife changing her place of residence.

From several of the Albert Societies nothing has been heard for some time. We hope they are steadily working.

Mrs. J. W. Brown, Kings, has been corresponding with her Societies and Bands.

Havelock is working; every fifth Lord's Day they (the W. M. A. S.) hold a public missionary meeting, the Pastor giving that evening to them. On the 29th ult. they had a very interesting meeting, collection nearly \$9.

Penobscus is still living, some faithful workers are there.

Hampton is doing good work.

Mrs. Perley, Cor. Sec. for York, has been passing through severe illness. We are glad to know that she is recovering.

Fredericton is planning for increased contributions. Gibson raised \$40 for H. M. by an extra effort recently.

Marysville still holds on its way.

Montnaguac and Kingsclear, nothing special reported.

Carleton County has not been heard from. We

hope to hear soon, and also hope all the workers are well.

*Queens*, Mrs. C. W. Pearce, who for many years was a faithful and energetic County Secretary, was compelled by ill health to resign her office. We hope her health may be restored. One thing we know that her prayers will be offered for the cause of missions while she can pray. Miss Ellen G. Stuart, the new Secretary for that county, is getting the work in line and we hope and pray for greater interest.

*Jamseg*, one of our oldest Societies, still lives.

*McDonald's Point*, also one of the original six founded by Miss Norris, is working.

*Narrows*, another of the six working on, has never failed to send reports, to send money, and to hold a public *Annual Meeting*.

*2nd Chapman* has sent a box to Grande Ligne. No special report from the other Societies of this county.

*Northumberland*. We are hoping for great blessing on the work in this county, now that it has a County Secretary for the first time in its history, Mrs. F. D. Swim.

*Doaktown*. This Society is reaching out its hand to others, has been sending a donation to Grand Ligne. We hope Mrs. Swim will meet with much encouragement in the work.

*Charlotte* suffers for want of a County Secretary.

*St. Stephen* is doing good work.

*2nd Falls*, *St. George* has a band of interested workers.

Mrs. Horsman, Cor. Sec. for St. John, and Mrs. H. H. Roach, Associational Director, have both reported some interesting facts concerning St. John, city and county.

*St. Martins* writes most encouragingly. They observed Crusade day, Financially they are in good condition; hold the thank-offering services; have a mite box for each member which are opened twice a year; have taken up the study of Lux Christi.

*Chance Harbor* has many discouragements, but we hope they will "look up."

*Tabernacle*, St. John, is in a prosperous condition. The city Societies have been studying Lux Christi with great interest, no doubt added knowledge will show its work in increased service. Mrs. Isabel Y. Bailey, Mission Band Superintendent, reports four Bands organized, many others that have laid down the work have promised to take it up in the

near future. If every Band would correspond with Mrs. Bailey they would be helped by her influence and they would help her.

These notes are meagre, we must all remember that reports are only skeletons. The real live work is seldom reported.

The Provincial Secretary would take this opportunity of reminding the workers that our estimates were increased last year. Our prayers and labors and gifts should be increased in proportion.

If we have been too much occupied with our own concerns during the winter, the lethargic period, now that spring has come may we not cast off our lethargy, and work.

We would like to remind some of our Societies that their Home Mission money has not yet been received by the Treasurer.

Have we not all some special reason for thanksgiving? Is there not something special we can do to show our gratitude for gospel light.

Much can be done in May, June, July, let us awake, and awake to work and pray and give, and above our own giving, try to induce others to give.

Where the W.M.A.S. of the several counties hold public meetings in connection with their Quarterly or District meetings the results are good.

Let no sister, or Society be satisfied with what they may have attained. Let us reach out for greater results. Let us have faith, faith in God, and zeal for His cause.

Only one quarter left of this year, let us redeem the time.

### MISSION CIRCLE.

VALLEY CHURCH, SURREY, N.B.—Although we are twenty-five years old this is our first message to the LINK. We eagerly look for news from Aid Societies and find it interesting and helpful. Perhaps others might like to know something of what is being done in our "small corner." Our Society was organized by Mrs. W. B. Boggs in 1878, but we have not been in working order all this time. In the earlier years of our existence Foreign Missions were looked upon with little favor, and the few, for want of encouragement and sympathy, were led to discontinue the work for a little while. This state of affairs did not last very long. During the pastorate of Rev. E. H. Howe, in 1883, with the assistance of Mrs. Howe the Society was re-organized. As the years have rolled round we

have found much to discourage us and try our faith; but we are determined to press on, knowing that this work is of God and will not be overthrown though the obstacles be many and varied.

Slowly, and we trust surely, an interest is growing in the Mission cause here. We now number 27 out of a church membership of 80, with a prospect of more uniting with us soon. The meetings are held with our invalid sister Mrs. Keirstead, and are much enjoyed by those who attend. The silver anniversary was observed on Sunday, March 22nd. Our pastor, Rev. M. Aldison, gave a short address on Missions, after which the Secretary gave a brief review of the past history of the Society. The Golden Rule Mission Band (2 years old), filled the remaining part of the program and acquitted themselves well. May He who has called these into His service lead them daily into higher, fuller and deeper consecration.

Over seventy sisters have been connected with this Society, but some have been called to higher service, some have moved to other places, and some have grown weary and fallen out by the way. Wonder if anyone will read these lines who has been a member here in former years? If so, we would in this way extend to you our Christian greetings and wish you much prosperity in the work of the Lord. Surely the need is great and the command imperative to warrant our putting forth any and every effort for reaching the multitudes. Our prayer is for a Spirit-filled membership that we may be enabled to do more and better work for Jesus.

ALMEDA EDGETT,  
*Secretary.*

#### WORDS OF SYMPATHY.

We regret to learn of the ill-health of Mrs. P. R. Foster, our efficient M. B. Superintendent for N. S. Because of this she was unable to send "Notes" from her department for this issue. That she could have sent good news we know, from the fact that twelve new Bands have been organized since Convention meeting last August. We shall hope to hear from her later. And will not our sisters remember to pray for the full restoration to health and strength of Mrs. Foster, whose heart is so abundantly interested in Mission Band work.

The Editor of the LINK, also, and on behalf of the many who cherish her memory in Ontario,

would extend the warmest sympathy and love and best wishes to our dear sister, Mrs. Foster.

#### ABBREVIATED LETTER FROM MISS FLORA CLARKE.

*My dear sisters.—*

My first year in India is finished and I am on the second. I am still very busy with my books, but hope before long to be able to spend a part of every day in work among the people. Perhaps you would like to hear of some of my experience.

A short time ago David was removed from Kimeri to the Tekkali field. My wife Lizzie was an excellent Bible woman and was Miss Harrison's main dependence.

After returning from our conference at Vizianagram I told Lizzie I would like her to come with me in the evenings and talk with the people in the streets. The first evening we went to one of the low caste streets. A few people gathered around and we sang, "Nothing but the blood of Jesus," and then began to explain the hymn. All the time she was talking there was a great noise going on in the house. I moved near the door to ascertain the cause. On looking in a new and rather strange sight met my eyes. I wonder if I can describe it. In the middle of the floor was a strong bar with a long heavy plank across it, very much like a sea-saw. At one end of the plank was a hole in the floor, in which was some unprepared rice. A woman, standing on the other end of the plank, grasped tightly a hook in the roof, with one foot on the plank, and the other on the floor. While grasping the hook she would step quickly from the plank to the floor. Every time she stepped from the plank the other end would fall on the grain and crush it. All the time she was doing this she held firmly to a cigar in her mouth and carried on a lively conversation with another woman. The latter came to her assistance and worked the plank with her. They did it very deftly never once missing their step.

Meanwhile Lizzie was trying to get the few around to listen to the story of the Christ, two or three of whom paid quite good attention.

Another night we went two miles to a village where Mr. Higgins has a school in charge of a native helper named John Francis. He was away, but his wife was home, and after talking with her awhile we went to the street. A number gathered

around. Lizzie spoke at some length and then I began. I had only spoken a few minutes, when a woman with a baby in her arms crowded forward and pointing to her dirty rags told me she had no clothes and not enough food. I continued talking but was interrupted every minute by questions such as; Where I came from? How long had I been in this country? Was the buckle on my belt gold? etc. They were quite willing to have me talk about such things but not about my Saviour. It was my first attempt at street preaching. My heart sank within me as I thought of the greatness of the work. Turning to Lizzie I asked her to speak again. Some of the more troublesome left, a few remained and listened fairly well.

Having been invited repeatedly to visit Kimidi, I arranged and went. Arriving there, I spent a few days and then went to Neramandalam, a village fifteen miles off, to join Miss Harrison. After a windy journey, reminding me of the Sackville, N. B. marshes, with Mr. Carey's jourinksa and coclie, I found Miss H. and a good dinner awaiting me. Next morning Miss Harrison was early astir. As soon as our breakfast and worship with her helpers, was over, accompanied by her Bible-woman, she started out. I remained with my books. After about four hours they returned. In the afternoon she and her helpers had a short prayer service and went again to talk with the people, returning about 6.30. Next afternoon I accompanied them. A crowd of children followed us into one of the low caste streets. A number soon gathered around. Miss Harrison soon got their attention, and then with great earnestness and clearness, told the story of the Christ. She was interrupted a great many times. I wish you could see her audience. A number of women, only half-clad, most of them with a baby astride the hips, several of them with cigars in their mouths, and all of them with tousy uncombed heads. A few men stood around. As usual, a number of dirty children crowded to the front. Often while Miss Harrison talked their loud chatter made it almost impossible to proceed. Then the men and women would try to silence them, making more noise than the children. At one time an ox-cart loaded with straw came down the narrow street and the people had to disperse. They soon returned, however, and Miss Harrison went on with the story. She was earnestly telling about the crucifixion when a couple of chickens flew into

the verandah beside us and began a vicious fight. Their noise made it impossible to speak or hear. They were finally driven away. The next interruption was caused by the visit of a young buffalo and pig both of which began to give their opinion of the subject in their pleasing tones. Then some one started a fire and the blinding smoke came straight for our eyes. The woman on whose Verandah we were sitting, was suddenly seized with the desire to have the house clean, and swept the dust out so that it blew nicely onto us. It really seemed as though man and beast and the powers of the air had united to do all they could to prevent the story of the cross being told. A few tried to listen well. One woman especially seemed touched when Miss Harrison, in earnest, loving tones told how He who knew no sin, had suffered death for their sin. A look of real sorrow came on the woman's face. Turning to the others, as though she feared that they did not understand, she said: "It was for us, He did it all for us."

Dear sisters, I cannot tell you the varied emotions that filled my heart as I looked at the motly crowd. I forgot all about the dirt and the degradation. A great pity for them filled my heart, as from its depths went up the cry, "Oh Jesus, Master, help them to hear of, and accept thy great love." Then, as I heard them questioning, laughing, and arguing. I thought, how like to the way it was when the Master was on earth—Some mocked, others turned away, and some said, we will hear thee again of these matters. At last we arose to go. The children ran howling and yelled after us. The woman, previously referred to, turning on them savagely, sent them away, and then followed us a few steps.

The story had been told in all its beauty and fullness. Some had heard. Will the hearing but add to their condemnation, or will they be among those who will believe and be saved? God only knows. It is ours to tell the story. The results are His.

To-morrow I return to Kimedi. Hope to spend a few days with the friends there and return home to Tekkali by the end of the week.

Dear sisters, the work is great, pray, oh pray for these people and pray for our missionaries that we may be baptized with power from on high and that this year may see a great ingathering of souls. For this we long; for this we plead with you to pray. "Laborers together with Him," dear sisters.