

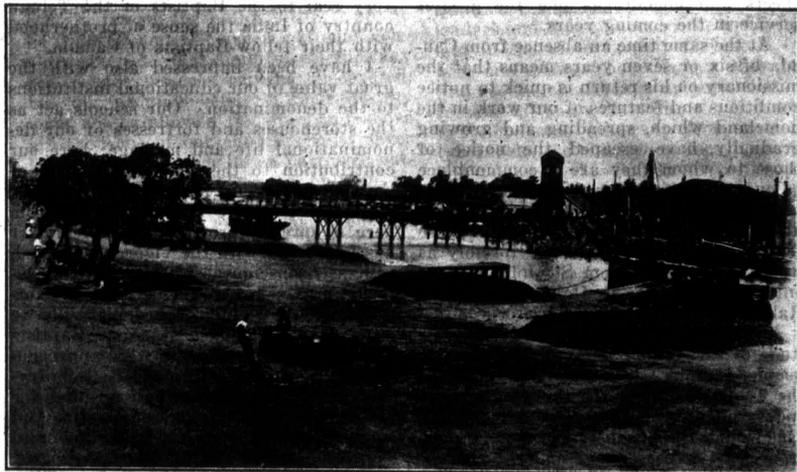
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THE BRIDGE AND THE CLOCK TOWER, COCANADA



The city is divided by this canal into two sections. Here the southern part, Jugganaikapuram, is visible. Messrs. David and Lafamme made this clock tower famous as a stand for street preaching.

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Jubilee Year in Canada—Some Impressions

By Rev. John B. McLaurin

It is always an inspiration and a stimulant for a Canadian missionary to return home after spending a term of years in India—an inspiration because it is good to meet with one's own kind, and to feel again all the uplifting influences of the Canadian home, and to realize afresh the unbounded enthusiasm of our people for their mission in India; and a stimulant because such an experience inevitably cheers and encourages one for greater service in the coming years.

At the same time an absence from Canada of six or seven years means that the missionary on his return is quick to notice conditions and features of our work in the homeland which, spreading and growing gradually, have escaped the notice of those to whom they are a commonplace of everyday life. For this reason it may be not without interest to some if I should, Mr. Editor, set down briefly some of these features that have struck me forcibly as we have travelled from St. John to Toronto, from Toronto to Halifax, and from Halifax to Vancouver and Victoria.

And first of all, I must express the gratitude of the Jubilee party, and of all our people, Indians and missionaries alike, in the Telugu country, for the generous response in interest, sympathy and enthusiasm, which the members of our churches, from coast to coast, have made to the appeal of the work abroad. The tremendous power of the meetings in Massey Hall, Toronto, and the patient and far-seeing preparations that made the meetings, the singing and the pageant there such an overwhelming success, were the type of what we met in Montreal, in the Eastern Townships, in the Maritime Provinces, at the head of the Great Lakes, and through-

out the West. Our weaknesses and mistakes have all been overlooked for the sake of the work, and the story—truly a fascinating one—of the coming of the Kingdom in India, has been listened to with the most sympathetic interest. The welcome that our Indian guests have everywhere received will strengthen still further the hold which the Telugu Mission has on the hearts of our people, and make very real to the Baptists of the Telugu country of India the sense of brotherhood with their fellow-Baptists of Canada.

I have been impressed also with the great value of our educational institutions to the denomination. Our schools act as the storehouses and fortresses of our denominational life and message: here our contribution to the thought and life of the time is clarified and systematized, our distinctive message treasured and from here is spread abroad. What McMaster has had to do with the vigorous, enthusiastic self-consciousness of Baptists of Ontario and Quebec would be hard to overestimate. As we approached Wolfville we felt, moving amongst Maritime Baptists as we were, as though we were approaching the goal of a pilgrimage—a countryside and a hill that is holy ground for many a son and daughter of Acadia. And when we saw the place, with its splendid equipment and assured future, we ceased to wonder why the sentiment for affiliation with a State University is dead among Maritime Baptists, if it ever existed. And happy we were to see how Brandon is winning its way all over the West. May the loyalty and vision of its founders and present leaders be crowned with ever-increasing success. One might almost say, paraphrasing the well-known

text, "Without a school, a people perish." It is true at least that without a school to stand for its distinctive ideals and beliefs, a denomination is doomed to an existence so ineffective as to be little better than extinction.

One of the greatest problems facing our Baptist leaders in Canada is surely that of the solidarity of the denomination. Surely in no other land is the task of quite the same nature—a long line of churches stretching 3,700 miles from Halifax to Victoria, with points of strength at such places as Wolfville, Toronto, Winnipeg, Calgary and Vancouver, and in others such as Saskatchewan and Quebec, terribly thin or actually non-existent. In places where churches are few, faith in the necessity of our Baptist witness and contribution to the nation's life is apt to be dimmed and the denominational morale weakened. It is doubtful whether any ready-made panacea can be discovered, but our people's belief in their destiny must not be allowed to falter, and above all, each one of our churches must never be allowed to subside into a narrowed outlook, where it is interested only in its own affairs. I believe that a good healthy foreign missionary enthusiasm cannot be beaten as a unifying force for all our churches from ocean to ocean, and from the largest centre to the loneliest outpost.

And the problems of our churches are, in a great degree, the problems of Canada as a whole. The anomalous system of separate schools, especially in the West, is every year making dimmer and still more dim the hope of a united Canada. If some malignant enemy of Canada were to devise a strategem to divide and weaken the state, I doubt if he could think of one more suited to his fell purpose than to have a great part of the incoming foreigners herded into schools whose object was to instil into such pupils the idea that their ultimate allegiance was to an ultramontane power, whose success would mean the loss or prostitution of these free institutions on which the happiness of Canadians is founded. And what shall we

say to the prohibition slump in some quarters? I was assured in Edmonton that Alberta will be back in the prohibition column in two years. Well, we shall see, for these things are known in India, and take a lot of explaining. And if meanwhile we can help the temperance cause anywhere pray command us!

My most abiding impression of our Baptist churches is, as has always been true, that they have in them potentialities, possibilities of spiritual power and victory that are simply boundless. Never call a Baptist church dead! Look at Sherbrooke! Look at Point St. Charles, my own splendid backers! And at this time, when God is so unmistakably calling his people to rise and follow him in the great advance, how we covet for our Canadian Baptists the proud honor of being the leaders and line officers in the great fight and in the victory; that they shall first hear and answer the call; that they shall first see the cloud taken up, and shall first forsake all and follow him. "And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle, the children of Israel journeyed"—Num. 9:17. God grant us the faith to see the lifted cloud, and to follow it.

"On, to the bound of the waste.

On, to the city of God!"

—Western Baptist.

FROM DR. D'PRAZER

Canadian Pacific
Steamship "Marloch",

May 10, 1924.

Very Dear Friends:—

I know you would like to hear how we are getting on and what has happened since we left you in Toronto, after completing our Eastern and Western campaign.

You must have heard of the Hamilton and London meetings from some of your members who were present, and Mr. Matthews who presided over the Hamilton meeting will have told you what a successful meeting we had there. London ran very close to that.

Dr. Joshee got off at Toronto on our way back, while I went on to Montreal, arriving there Wednesday evening. Mrs. Watts, of Montreal, was at the station to meet me and took me to her nice home, where I stayed till I took the boat on Saturday morning.

After our meeting in London, which I concluded was to be my last talk in public, I had quite made up my mind to keep a "Silent Tongue" and only use my ears till I got back to India. But that was not to be and soon after I got to Mrs. Watts' house I was made aware of the fact that the Rev. Mr. Smith of Temple Baptist Church had arranged for me to speak that evening at their prayer meeting. Of course I had to respond.

On Thursday Mrs. Dwyre (sister of our missionary Mrs. W. E. Smith) gave a reception and we spent a happy social time together, meeting several of the Church members.

Friday evening the Baptists of Montreal decided to give Miss Sanford and me a farewell in the First Baptist Church, and here again we were expected to speak! Unfortunately the same evening and the same hour, 8 p.m., were fixed for another meeting in the Y.M.C.A. rooms, the Acquaintance Reception meeting, in order to get the delegates acquainted with one another before embarkation on the S. S. "Marloch" for the World S. S. Convention. The Rev. Mr. Smith, who presided at our farewell meeting, however, succeeded in prompt leading and we were enabled to leave at 9.30 p.m., getting to the Acquaintance Reception in good time to hear some of the addresses and get a fair acquaintance of the several delegates. Needless to say that even here Mr. H. C. Priest insisted on my "saying a few words."

Saturday morning saw us all tracing our footsteps to the S. S. Marloch and by 10.30 a.m. all were comfortably berthed. Fond farewells and painful goodbyes were said by 11 a.m., and heaving anchor we began to move slowly out, leaving a crowd on the quay waving their kerchiefs till we

got well out of sight and Mr. Elliott, Mrs. Ayer and Mrs. Watts faded out of our view! We were barely 10 minutes on board when the Purser told us that there were some parcels for Miss Sanford and myself. We soon discovered they were bumper supplies of fruit and chocolates! Cards bore the inscription "In the Fellowship of Christ and with all good wishes from Montreal Baptists". We both appreciated this kind act very much and would like to send a most hearty **Thank you** to our good friends in Montreal, who made this generous contribution. Of course, we enjoyed the fruit and chocolates very much and shared them with fellow passengers.

We are a very happy crowd on board, having a great time. Rev. H. C. Priest is practically leader and has arranged for daily meetings of prayer and fellowship, preparing us for the coming days of Convention. It is good to meet so many servants of God, all obsessed with the one thought and purpose—the extension and building up of the Saviour's Kingdom.

And now what shall I say of my visit to Canada? How good God has been to me and how very richly He has blessed my own soul in these Jubilee celebrations. This visit will always be remembered with extreme pleasure and how deeply the associations with all the kind Christian friends will be impressed on my mind. I am unable to send a letter to each one, but will you through your paper, kindly give them a farewell message from me. Tell them how very grateful I am to each and all for the warm welcome extended to me and for the very pleasant days afforded me by their loving kindness and lavish hospitality, all through our visit from East to West.

We are going back to India with a deeper and stronger appreciation of your interest in Foreign Missions and it will inspire us to greater work and expectation than ever. We trust our people in India will have a new conception of their responsibility, in waking up and doing them-

selves that which you have so faithfully and earnestly done for them these past 50 years. May the dear Lord help us all, you here and us out there, to do His will for the hastening of His Kingdom. Adieu.

Eva D'Prazer.

ANOTHER PIONEER GONE BY THE UPLAND WAY!

"On that wonderful Day
When I am still on my bed,
Smile through your weeping and say,
'Gone by the Upland Way,'
Do not say 'I am dead.'"

These words come to mind as we learn that our veteran missionary, Mrs. George Churchill, has been called Home!

Mrs. Churchill's picture, with a sketch of her life, appeared in the Link a few months ago. Her many friends have been glad that she was able to attend the Jubilee meeting in Massey Hall and that she there received the honor due to her long years of faithful and fruitful service on our Foreign Mission Field.

During the three years since her final return from India she has received most loving and solicitous care in the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Stillwell, Toronto, but she found it hard to be laid aside from the work she so loved, and doubtless she has entered with eagerness and joy into the higher service of the life beyond.

In India and especially on the Bobbili Field her work and memory will abide, and in Canada she has a fitting memorial in her "Letters from my Home in India," edited a few years ago by Miss Grace Dean McLeod Rogers, of which a new Jubilee edition has been issued.

FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WOMEN'S BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

Dear Readers of the Link:

It is not often that I come into these columns, but this is a very special occasion. Our Women's Foreign Mission Society has been joining in the Jubilee of the General Foreign Mission Board, and this

year the Circles are doing their best to make their Jubilee offering of \$5000 and adding their prayers for the 5000 converts on the field in India.

But now comes the *Fortieth Anniversary* of our Women's Home Mission Society, and of course we want to celebrate a little; so we are arranging for a special programme at Convention this year, which will include history, messages from as many of the old personalities who had to do with the formation and early years of the Society's history as possible, then the present work and future outlook, with a number of new features of unusual interest. All this will take time, and so our Home Mission day will start this year on Tuesday afternoon. An exceedingly fine program has been arranged for Tuesday afternoon and evening. Then Home Missions will continue on Thursday and close in a climax meeting Thursday evening. Thursday afternoon will be Historical afternoon, and Thursday morning will contain the Band Conference, which for several years has come on Tuesday afternoon. Placed in this Convention in this way, not only Band leaders, but all the women and young women will be able to enjoy it. Directors' Conference has been put at the tea hour on Thursday. Board meetings as usual on Friday.

You will see from this that Foreign Mission Day has not been disturbed, but remains on Wednesday as planned. We trust that everyone will come on Tuesday afternoon prepared to remain till over Thursday night. It will be one continuous succession of fine things.

One thing more: How shall we adequately celebrate our Fortieth Anniversary? Shall we not begin now by being much in prayer for these days, asking God to give us a time of refreshing from the Lord? How often in the days of old, the Lord called upon His people Israel to remember all the way in which the Lord had brought them, and then in memory of those wonderful leadings, humble themselves before Him and renew their vows? Shall we not come to Him anew for spiritual power, and to know the plans that are in His mind

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The late Dr. Marjorie Cameron in the Operating Room.

FROM MISS McLAURIN

Samalkot, Godavari Dt.,

May 26, 1924.

Dear Readers of the Link,—

There are so many, so many, of you to whom I have been wanting to write personal letters. And the Link has been particularly on my mind. Through the medium of its columns I can reach many, who although they have not heard directly from me, will know by this (if they don't know it by me, myself), that Katie S. McLaurin does not forget her friends. No, nor the lovely times we had together during my furlough—the best furlough I have had. I could spend all my spare time reminiscing, and you would all recognize that “lovely time” we had! That beautiful gold and green and blue morning down on the bank of the St. Lawrence river; the grand motor drives through the Ottawa valley, especially between Clarence and Ottawa; the drives over the prairie and through acres of wild roses in Manitoba; the long, long talks about the greatest things in the world—out of it, for that matter. All the dear, comforting, enriching, inspiring companionship. Thank God again and again for friends.

“God never loved me in so sweet a way before—

’Tis He alone who can such blessings send,

And when his love would new expression find

He sent thee to me and He said, “Behold, a friend!”

It seems like ancient history to refer back to our trip out, and yet, I want to. Although we were not comfortable on the last lap of our journey—the Aden-Bombay section—we had, on the whole, a good voyage. I think the two older members of the party—mother and Mrs. Davies—stood it better than their juniors. They certainly were good travellers and reached India in good form. It was a great pleasure to have Mrs. Davies with us, and everywhere she went amongst us she did us good. She was an ideal guest—adapting herself so quickly and with perfect good humor to new and sometimes trying conditions. She was so interested in everything she saw, and coming to us well-read and well-informed before-hand, concerning the work, she was able to appreciate and understand better than some visitors might. We enjoyed her very, very much and only wished she might

have stayed longer. But she had to leave early to get accommodations at all in the already crowded steamers home.

We visited Vuyuru together—my old home. And Mrs. Gordon took us with Dr. Hulet out in her car to Valluru to see the caste girls' school I started there so many years ago. This was a pleasure that will last me a long time. The room filled up with scholars and ex-scholars, parents and friends, and everyone brought an offering of fruit until the table in front of us was piled high. The girls took part in a program, and sang verses in honor of their visitors that morning—but not a word of it do I remember! I was so taken up with them, themselves, and with the old friends I recognized. I revelled in the bright and happy faces all about me. It was a peculiar joy to see Mallayya Garn again. He was the man who, years ago, on the day we opened school, when people held back from sending their girls on account of caste opposition and the fate of the school hung in the balance, brought his little twin girls up to me, one held by each hand, saying, "Here, Amma garu, I'm not afraid. I give you my little ones to teach." One does not soon forget a friend like that. I was glad to see his kindly old face again and his warm greeting was a reward in itself for all we had tried to do for the girls of Valluru. The two girls—women now—were there, too. Their girls now attend. Other ex-pupils were there that morning, and lovingly gathered around us. Will it be something like that in heaven, I wonder?

Dr. Hulet, who took over the school from me has kept in touch with former pupils in a wonderful way. She is strong on "follow up" work and by writing letters, and sending literature, has kept on surrounding them with active Christian influences, which we hope will bring forth definite fruit in their lives.

After a happy, homey, quiet Christmas with the McLaurins at Ramapatnam, we hied up to Cocanada for Conference and Jubilee. You have had full accounts of that so I need say little, but I do want to share with you, if I can, the ex-

perience that seemed to me to bring us closest to the heart of the Jubilee, and that was the session in the Cemetery, when we all—Indians and Canadians—went to decorate the graves of our dead and, if might be, re-dedicate ourselves in the light of their sacrifice, to the service of the living. They who have passed "within the veil" were there, with us, that quiet evening hour. One felt it. The ground whereon we stood seemed sacred ground, and the moments hallowed. It thrilled one to see Aunt Ettie (Mrs. Albert Cahoon, younger sister of our pioneer Timpany) after 46 years, stoop and lay her flowers upon the grave of the brother whose face she had last seen in 1878, when he was home on furlough—that time he started the women to organize for work. She said it was a dream come true, to visit India, the work, and her brother's grave.

And it was touching and beautiful, too, to see Kondanamma Burder, the sweet-faced, gentle, dignified widow of young Josiah Burder, Miss Simpson's adopted son and headmaster of her Caste Girls' School, moving softly among her graves in the Burder family plot. Tears were in her eyes, but her voice was quiet and steady as she pointed out to us the graves of the first Josiah Burder who had come to Cocanada to take the place of Thomas Gabriel when the latter was called home in 1875. Then that of her father-in-law, Jonathan Burder, who was pastor of the Telugu church when I arrived in the country in 1893—an unusually fine-looking man of splendid physique and a real "silver-tongued" orator who could preach the Gospel in a most winning and intelligent manner. Then those of her own young husband, and mother-in-law, Amelia Burder whom some of you may remember as Amelia Keller when she came to Canada with the Timpanys to study at Woodstock College. When one of our older biblewomen, who knew Amelia well, gave a short sketch of her life at the Association in Yellamanchili last March, her eyes filled up and her voice broke as she spoke of Amelia's kindness and hospitality.

Well, we lingered. It was good for us to be there, and it was well for us to remember and draw near to those who had gone before. The pioneers—Thomas Gabriel, Mr. Timpany, Mr. Currie, Mrs. Martha Perry Craig, Josiah Burder. They had blazed a trail for us who follow. They laid down their lives while it was still seed-time. We felt a great desire to link up with them, to identify ourselves with them, in this our Harvest Home Jubilee, because if it hadn't been for them would it ever have been? If they were not "perfected apart from us" what were we without them? Then there were others, our contemporaries and companions in service—Mr. Barrow, Ettie Timpany Stillwell, Miss Corning, Miss MacLeod, Jonathan Burder and others—Indians and Canadians, all brothers and sisters in one Lord and faith. Our hearts went out to Him in whose presence they are now, and for whose sake we all, both living and dead (but, behold! alive for evermore) were where we were.

But the evening shadows were closing in so we sang and prayed in our two mother-tongues, and came away.

We have been reading this last week or two about your splendid Jubilee at home. Now what? What next? Let me pass on to you the key-text from the Godavari Jubilee Association meeting at Yellamanchili in March. "**There remaineth yet very much land to be possessed.**" (Much more than we have in our possession as yet.) And, "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitation; spare not: lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes. **For thou shalt spread abroad.**"

Oh, let us plan for it, in the power of His might!

Just a little more, and I am done. You see, by the heading of this letter, that I have been moved—"transferred," to use the official term—from Avani-gadda to Samalkot. It was a great change. I loved Avani-gadda—the sweet green fields, the comparative quiet of the country side, the friendliness of the country people. Prac-

tically my whole missionary life, so far, had been lived down there on the Yuyuru fields, which were one field until ten years ago. So I was well-rooted, and it wasn't easy tearing up and coming away. But it seemed to be His will—and that is enough for His servant. So the move was made. The big change has come. This place, and the conditions of work here, seem about as different as they well could be from what I have been used to, and not yet feeling acquainted, one sometimes sighs for the familiar and well-known. However, one of my favorite quotations from Browning says:

"Rejoice that man is hurled
From change to change unceasingly
His soul's wings never furred."

And another—another unknown—says: "All places which the eye of God doth visit are to the wise man ports and happy havens."

With his work still to do, in any place, and His companionship, we can "rejoice in this also."

Miss Farnell, whose place I am taking for a year, is home with you on furlough now, and will tell you about the work. My companions now are Miss Muriel Brothers and her 221 school boys—not to mention several teachers whose numbers pale into insignificance beside the total of boys! Lively company—good company. Some of these boys are real fine gentlemen.

But I must close. You will remember me in the midst of new conditions and problems that I may "serve by love" as I try to "make the presence of the Eternal real to myself and some of the thousands around me."

Yours for the real thing,
K. S. McLaurin.

MESSAGES FROM MISS PRIEST

Dear Link,—There are several items of interest to be passed on to the home partners and as you are in touch with so many of them I am sending them on to you. One day coming home from a long trip with the car on a hot day, the engine needed a cool drink, and seeing some men

in a field Vankana called to them to bring home. The master ordered the servant to bring along the pet they had brought for their use and as they came near I recognized the master as a caste man who had come to ry home some months ago very sick. His people had brought him in to Tuni to see the doctor, but he would not go home until they brought him to me, that I might lay my hands on his head and pray to my God on his behalf. And there he stood by the roadside hale and hearty and full of interest in the car. While the water was being poured in he put in the time in true Telugu fashion—by asking questions. "Did you buy this car with your own money or did the Government give it to you?" What a chance this gave me to tell him of the love of Jesus that led you dear partners to gather so much money and send it out here to me to buy the car so that I might get to the villages to tell of His love. Veeramma was with me that day and she said to him, "Sir, you see me sitting in this motor car beside our Missamma. Who am I to ride in a motor car! It is only by the grace of the true God that such a thing has come to me." As we prepared to move on I told him that every time he saw us pass in this car it would be a witness to him of the love of Jesus Christ.

Item number two is to thank all who sent calendars, and this may be most interestingly expressed by passing on a letter received from a Magistrate to whom I sent one. He wrote as follows: "Dear Madam—Extremely glad to receive another calendar for the current year. The heading "Master, is it I?" for the current month is a question which every son of man can put to himself with a searching heart and see how far short he is of the ideal which God revealed through Jesus Christ. Not only the headings are short and sweet and instructive, but the pictures reveal aspects of a living life and the background depicts the environments in which such a life was lived."

Yours in His service,

Ellen Priest.

Kotagiri, S. India,

May 28, 1924.

Dear Friend,—Here I am sitting out of doors in such a nice shady nook at noon time! For I am once more up above the heat strain of the plains and enjoying a few weeks rest and refreshment up among these grand old Nilgiris, or Blue Mountains. One part of my holiday is answering the home letters that somehow will get ahead of me. I typed off the enclosed message to put in some of my letters, that my friends may share in our joy, and know that God is answering prayer. These holidays mean so much to us because there is refreshment for our whole being. As I write a bulbul in the tree in front of me is singing a sweet little song to me and other birdies are joining their notes to his. Those who have never lived in the midst of heathenism can never understand the deadening influence of it. But to us who live in the midst of it, such a holiday as this spent with numbers of God's servants with many privileges of fellowship, helpful meetings, and the rest from daily strain, oh, but it is a bit of heaven below! Humanly speaking, we must be the uplift and inspiration for all about us on the plains, not in ourselves of course, for we are utterly insufficient. But Jesus understands and in His love, calls us apart for awhile that we may be renewed in spirit, soul and body. How I do thank Him.

Miss McGill and I took a lunch along one day and climbed to the top of a nearby hill and spent hours there. It was grand there, no one else came and we just feasted our whole being on the wonderful view of hills and plains, and clouds too. Then we spread our rugs on the braeken, laid down and rested in God's great outdoors, and prayed that the eyes of our souls might be uplifted and our vision cleared that we might view some of the far-reaching purposes of God and be inspired for service on the plains below. The Harts and we plan to take our tea out to the Shola tomorrow. This is one of the most woody places about here, and it is

a great treat to walk along the shady paths that wind about through it and then sit down on the roots of the picnic tree, as it is called and enjoy a rest and a cup of tea and a lunch.

The lessons in the Bible School this season have been on "The Word of God" and were most helpful, especially in these days when so many are weakening their message. The three divisions were—The Psalmist and his Bible, the Master and His Bible, and the Early Church and their Bible. How I wish that all my friends could have enjoyed the same privilege that I did. Last week our annual Convention for the deepening of spiritual life met, and we listened to some strong messages, each of the four days. How much our Father pours into our lives to enrich them that through us He may enrich other lives.

It is good to meet old friends and also to form new friendships. Among the old ones is old Miss Cockburn, now in her ninety-fifth year. She still keeps her interest in her Mission box and although she has had to give up most of the ways in which she earned money for it, the old lady sits in her big chair in the corner knitting baby booties and when her friends call to see her the box is brought to show them, and how pleased she is when they buy a pair. She was so pleased to tell us that our purchase made fifty rupees this year. She is very particular that they are well made and they must be tied up nicely too, for said she, "I cannot do much now, but He will know I have done my best." As I looked at her and thought of the many years she has sat in that room busy earning money for the advance of His Kingdom, I could not help thinking of the many who have never seriously undertaken anything for the advance of the knowledge of Jesus Christ the only Saviour of the world. This old lady has never been away from Kotagiri, her father coming here when there were no other Europeans, she has never seen a railway train, but the interests of her heart are far reaching.

We are looking forward to a great treat in the shape of a sacred concert to be given by a number of missionaries who are busily practicing for it. I have given you a peep into our happy holiday and as you read it pray that I may go back to the plains to live more effectively for Him. This is the hour of opportunity in India, the hour for which God has been preparing. May we be ready to meet it in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Yours in His Service,

Ellen Priest.

TOURING IN THE SAVARA HILLS

Miss Bessie Turnbull of Parlakimedi
Writes to Friends About Her Work
on the Oriya-Savara Field.

The first year exams are over successfully and just recently I've received great inspiration from a two and a half weeks tour with Miss Munro all around the Oriya-Savara field. I wish I could really describe that hill country to you. The Oriya-Savara field is not right here in Parlakimedi, but it is out among the hills which surround Parlakimedi; out where there are no cart roads and where all luggage and one's own self has to be carried by coolies, up the hills and down into the valleys—that is unless you prefer to walk, and the distances are so great that it is not wise to walk in the sun and hardly safe to go at night. So we have a chair arrangement which is carried by four coolies. It isn't wonderfully comfortable but I've found it more so than an ox-cart. The country itself is like fairy-land almost—the hills and valleys, the huge rocks, here and there trees covered with bright red blossoms, a thick growth of trees and shrubs, (jungle) on all sides, and in places long hedge-like rows of a kind of creeper, whose blossoms had gone to seed and the big bunches of fuzzy seed, seven to ten inches in diameter, spoke of the beauty that had been there, just a

little while before. The whole country is so wild and yet so beautiful. It is quite a change to me from the prairies but I really think that next to the prairies this is the most beautiful spot in the world! At first it seems much more beautiful, but you know, one can't help but long occasionally for the prairies again.

The very first afternoon that I was out in the hills, by a misunderstanding, the Bible-woman and I missed each other and I found myself alone in a village where there were no Christians. Not being able to understand why the Bible-woman did not come I decided to have a meeting of my own. I saw a man who looked as though he did not have much to do, and so it was easy to begin a conversation. He said that he understood well about Christianity but on questioning him a little, I found that his ideas were entirely wrong. I went on to explain and soon quite a little company had gathered to hear what the foreigner had to say. They invited me to go and sit on a certain verandah, where they had spread a bamboo mat, and there I sat for about an hour and a half explaining the way of salvation. Most of my congregation were men and there were some who listened really eagerly. This was my first experience in preaching in the street, and it was fine! I just can't tell you how happy it made me feel to be able to tell those people the way of salvation through Jesus, so that they could understand.

There was not much time for visiting the Christians but on two or three occasions I went to villages where almost the whole population was Christian. There was not time in several places to do more than walk through the street, down one side and up the other, while all the people came to their front doors to say salaam to the new missionary; in several places I found sick folks and then I went into the home and had a very short talk and a little prayer and they seemed to appreciate it so much. Walking down the street I had a great time admiring the babies and trying not to be more partial to one than to another. There was a crowd of

followers all along the way too—some of the babies were very frightened when they saw me and even some of the bigger children kept at a safe distance, and if I happened to look in their direction, they would turn and run as though I were going to go after them to kidnap them; but that was only a few. In some places the people gave me gifts, just an egg or some kind of vegetable, but it was just to show their goodwill; and indeed everywhere we went the people were very kind to us.

Serango is the centre of the work in these Savara hills and is where a bungalow will be built some day, we expect, for Miss Munro and myself. To reach this place it is necessary to climb steadily uphill for about six miles. The path is steep all the way and, in places, very steep.

Serango is right at the top of this high hill and when the top is reached there is a glorious view in all directions. The first morning when Miss Munro and I got up, just after sunrise, on opening the door of the bungalow, there out in front was a beautiful rainbow—a true semicircle, but it was down in the valley and at its highest point just reached the top of the hills. We just stood and looked, it was so bright and beautiful! It seemed like a token of God's favor and a promise of his blessing on our work for him in that place. And so the thought of the rainbow has been helpful and encouraging as I begin to get to work on this year's st.dy.

LETTER FROM MISS ARCHIBALD

Chicacole, Madras Presidency, India,
June 17, 1924.

My Dear Friend:—How often I have thought of writing to you but it has been one rush ever since I landed.

When I arrived at Madras I received a telegram from Uncle as follows: "Come quickly; faculties failing." I was so glad to have ten days with him before he passed on. It was a great shock to see him so emaciated. I never dreamed he was so ill. The doctors thought he would live

for some time. So I went to the Jubilee meetings in Cocanada. I will always regret that I left him for that time but he himself wanted me to go to represent him at the Jubilee and to give my message from Canada. He passed away while I was there but by travelling all night I reached home in time for the funeral. His passing seemed to be a great blessing to the Indian brethren at the Jubilee. Some wept when they heard he had gone and they spoke beautifully in honour of him. He was indeed a saint if ever there was one.

Chiacole looked so forlorn after the cyclone. Roofless houses, hundreds of great trees taken right up by the roots, not a flower or leaf to be seen—all stripped bare. That cyclone was hard on Uncle as our house leaked and he felt the drive of it very much.

After Uncle's passing how busy I was getting his affairs arranged and helping my Aunt get ready for her trip to Denver, Colorado. She will be with her sister. She will be very lonely I am sure.

I always used to live with my Uncle and Aunt but Dr. and Mrs. Eaton live in that bungalow and I now live alone in the one Dr. Cameron occupied. It is very large but low. The other had a dozen steps leading up to it. I find myself being more nervous about the snakes as the floor is on a level with the ground. I am having the roof and floor fixed and all white washed so I hope to be comfortable but just now all seems so strange. Pray that I may be able to work happily under the new conditions and experience more of the power of God than ever before. I want this to be my very best term in India, more full of spiritual power. I do long to be a real soul winner. Pray for my Biblewomen, Neelamma (Big) and Neelamma (little) and for Kannamma and Peace and Sooramma. Also pray for my three caste Girls' Schools. I have Christian teachers and the children learn the Gospel well and sing the hymns in the homes.

Especially pray for the driver of the tin Lizzie that he may be filled with the

Spirit and testify with power to the hundreds who gather around to see the box that goes of itself. A friend has given me a gasoline lantern and we have wonderful meetings by night when the people have nothing to do but listen. Oh I am so glad to be better equipped for work than before but the most needed equipment I know is the **Power** of God, the Divine touch which makes all things **New**. When I think of the 400 villages and the 300,000 people my heart fails me and I feel so helpless but if the Holy Spirit comes down He will do for us what we cannot do. Praise the Lord who is able to do wonderful things. I praise God more than ever before for the wonderful plan of salvation whereby we may be justified by Faith in the atoning death of Christ and by being united to Him our risen Lord, we are able to live the victorious life. Gal. 2. 20. With love in Christ to all who pray for me.

Mabel E. Archibald.

A CORRECTION

My attention was called to the fact that in the May "Link" I stated that printed matter being marked as such would go to India by post at the rate of "two cents for two pounds." Of course that should read "two cents for two ounces," "Pounds" were so in my mind at that time that the slip was easily made.

If you did not send your things to go in the boxes this year, do not forget that used cards and pictures and rolls can go all the way to some missionary in India for sixteen cents a pound if marked "printed matter."

Edith Dengate.

Circles and Bands thinking of sending parcels to India, notice Mrs. Scott's letter on page 22, also on page 9 Miss Priest's reference to the value placed on calendars by the men in India. Also read again the closing paragraph of Miss Clark's letter in the July-August Link, page 33.—Ed.



Miss Marjorie Palmer.

Miss Palmer was born in Southall, Middlesex, England, and came to Canada when but a girl, with her parents. In 1916, she united with the church, and very soon, to use her own words, "the call to service became very clear." For three years, she studied in the Toronto Bible College, and after that, spent ten months working among the Indians of the Brantford Reserve — work which but strengthened her desire to go to Bolivia, where the Indians so greatly need the knowledge of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

After being accepted by the Women's Foreign Board of Ontario West, it was felt that a year of further training in nursing would be of great value to her in her future work, so from January to May of 1924, she was in the Nursing Mission on Beverley Street, Toronto.

Miss Palmer will sail from New York on September 4th, for Bolivia. Let us constantly remember her and bear her up in our prayers.

RUSSIA

Did you know that now there are 3,500,000 Baptist believers in Russia?

God has been wonderfully preparing the message for Russia to be ready just when she could make the best use of it. He planted groups of true Christians and Bible students in different parts with "every member a missionary" for their motto. Then the Great War came with its persecutions, and scattered the little hands. Thus they grew. The result is noted above.

What relation have we Canadian Baptists to this work? The Canadian Baptists have joined with the Southern, the Northern and the English Baptists in authorizing Dr. Rushbrook as their special Commissioner to look after their interests there, and it is suggested that our Canadian Baptist Churches take a collection once a year not for physical relief, but for the advancement of the Gospel work there.

Mrs. Albert Matthews has prepared a paper on this work. There are three copies of it in the Office of the Literature Department, and these can be borrowed for 5c. each. It is hoped that every Circle will borrow this paper and have a program about Russia, for Mrs. Matthews ends her paper in this way:

Dr. Rushbrook says, "A richer harvest may be looked for from our sowing in Russia than anywhere else in the world."

"Lord, what a change within us one short hour
Spent in Thy presence will avail to make!

What heavy burdens from our bosoms take;
What parched grounds refresh, as with a
shower.

We kneel, and all around us seems to lower;
We rise, and all the distant and the near

Stands forth in sunny outline, brave and
clear.

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

Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this
wrong,

Or others, that we are not always strong;

That we are ever overborne with care,

That we should ever weak or heartless be,
Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer,

And joy and strength and courage are with
Thee!"

Archbishop French.

Among the Circles

ELGIN ASSOCIATION

Morning Session

The morning session was opened by the President, Mrs. D. E. Brown, followed by devotional exercises under the leadership of Mrs. James Haggan. The objective for this year's Home Mission Work is prayer. A cordial welcome was extended to the Association by Mrs. Ashmore, Aylmer, and a fitting response given by Mrs. Johnston, Calton.

Committees were appointed and Circle Greetings were heard. Although a decrease in many departments of the work, much encouragement and many ideas for service were gained. A total of \$1,726.00 was raised for Home and Foreign Missions. \$9.60 for India Missions, and \$137.00 special to mission work outside our general board's work. There was also a decrease in total offerings of Bands, and yet we feel that the work among our boys and girls needs only more interest and effort put forth by the older ones. The Band's total offerings were \$481.50. A missionary message in the form of a duet by two band members brought the session to a close.

Afternoon

The afternoon's work began with devotional exercises by Mrs. J. W. Hisey. The Foreign Mission Objective was more prayer, more gifts, and a willingness to give of ourselves for the Master's service. To close this a solo portrayed the very essence of Foreign Mission work.

Officers elected for the coming year were:

President—Mrs. T. S. Johnston.

Vice-President—Mrs. S. D. Cummins.

Director—Miss Van Velzer.

Band Director—Mrs. F. S. Johnston.

Resolutions on Temperance, cigarette smoking and cordiality were presented.

The Mission Band Cup was presented to First Yarmouth Band.

A great appeal for Young People's work was made by Mrs. R. W. Hawkins, Brownsville. The fifth chapter of II Kings bears a message for every woman. Young folk

would benefit if pressed into Christian service. Christ should be the objective of young life.

Just here an inspiring duet was sung by Mrs. Ashmore and Mrs. Huxtable.

Grande Ligne Missions with its centre at Feller Institute, a Mission to French Canadians—fellow countrymen of Quebec—with its crying need for prayer, money and service, was taken by Miss Clarke, of Aylmer.

Rev. J. Pollock delivered a short inspirational address on the text, "I beseech ye therefore brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies, a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." Sacrifice is the basic principle of home and church life, vicarious suffering of whole universe.

The work of Northern Ontario was presented by an exercise given by Aylmer Mission Band during which the two young girls of our Missionary Rev. C. T. Timpany sang in Telugu dialect and costume. A piano trio and a solo "The Plains of Peace," closed this helpful session.

Evening Session

A song service led by Rev. W. A. Ashmore and a number by the Symphony Quartette, opened this session.

Miss Crane, Aylmer, in a talk on Home Missions in Ontario, showed much work under way and the need for much more. A chorus was given by the ladies of Aylmer choir.

The main feature of the evening was a lantern slide lecture on South America, by Rev. H. E. Stillwell.

The benediction closed the Ladies' Day session, one which could not have been more interesting and inspiring.

OWEN SOUND ASSOCIATION

A warm, welcome awaited those who attended the annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circle and Bands of the Owen Sound Association which was held in the Owen Sound Baptist Church on June 19, 1924.

The President, Mrs. Cameron, of Durham, presided. It opened with a hymn and Scripture reading from John 3. This was followed by a season of prayer and Secretary's Report of the previous annual meeting held at Southampton.

Mrs. Treleaven, Owen Sound, read a paper from Mrs. Holman, Toronto, on Suggestions of Programs for Circles and Bands for coming year, which was very helpful.

The report of our able Director, Mrs. C. Day, of Leith, was intensely interesting. It showed an advance in many ways in the work of the Circles and Bands.

Circles and Bands responded with reports and greetings.

A paper given on "The Value of Mission Circle to Church," by Mrs. Harpell, Owen Sound, was very instructive, giving the importance of the Circles to the Church and in training our children in Missions. Greatest help of all Prayer.

Report of Nominating Committee of officers for the year 1924-25.

Director—Mrs. C. P. Day, Leith.

President—Mrs. McAlpin, Wiarton.

Vice-President—Mrs. Vail, Meaford.

Sec.-Treas.—Mrs. Fulton, Elmwood.

Asst. Sec.-Treas.—Mrs. Mason, Hanover.

The claims of the "Link" and "Visitor" were ably presented by Mrs. Mason, of Hanover, pointing out how much every person gained yearly by reading these two little papers. In this way alone can one keep in touch with the work.

Afternoon Session

Mrs. McAlpin, Wiarton, led the devotional exercises choosing the lesson from 1st chapter Rev., also 1st Peter, 2nd chap. and 5th verse. After a number of fervent prayers, Mrs. McDonald, of Owen Sound, gave the address of welcome, in which all visitors were made to feel the welcome and hospitality afforded by the ladies of Owen Sound.

Mrs. Chapman, Port Elgin, in reply, acknowledged the hospitality and greetings.

Mrs. Lowes, of Toronto, addressed the meeting in the interest of Home Missions.

A very interesting and detailed account of the work in Western Canada, Grande

Ligne, New Ontario, and the Polish work in Hamilton and Toronto and Memorial Institute, Royce Ave., was given us. Needs of Missions, John St. (piano), Memorial (money, helper for students), Royce Ave., (money for vacation schools and camps, and full treasury at the end of year for opening up new work.)

Solo by Miss Alma Jukes, of Hanover, "The Lord is My Shepherd," was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Dengate, of Toronto, gave an exceedingly interesting talk on Foreign Missions. Beginning with a short sketch of pioneer work in India and Bolivia, she led up to present day needs. This was followed by a discussion of the evangelistic work in the Telugu field, where there is a great need of workers. Already there are three associations of Telugu Churches having conventions and Women's Missionary Societies. This is the day of awakening in India, and the Circles and Bands were urged to be especially faithful.

Address by Dr. Bowley Green, London, on "Some Saints I Have Known," was listened to with marked attention. He began by introducing the Kingdom of God. What is the Kingdom of God? The Kingdom of God is not meat and drink but righteousness. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. Righteousness, peace and joy. A hidden Kingdom, not hiding from, but for you.

A hearty vote of thanks was extended to speakers for the day. Solo by Miss Robertson, of Owen Sound, and prayer by Rev. McLuckie, of Paisley, brought the afternoon session to a close.

The day was noteworthy for the deep spiritual tone of all sessions.

Mrs. Fulton, Secy.

OXFORD-BRANT ASSOCIATION

The twenty-eighth annual meeting of the Oxford-Brant Association of Baptist Churches opened at the Baptist Church, Burgessville, on Tuesday afternoon, with "Women's Day." A gloom was cast over the large gathering by the news of the ill-

ness of Mrs. W. L. Palframan, of Burgessville, President of the Association, who underwent an operation in the Toronto General Hospital a couple of weeks ago. However, she had sent her greetings and good wishes by letter, and it was decided to send a telegram of sympathy to her.

The attendance was very large and representative. Mrs. E. C. Gosnell, of Paris, Vice-President, presided in a capable and very charming manner, in the absence of Mrs. Palframan. The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. R. E. Jones, of Woodstock. Mrs. Lampman, on behalf of the Burgessville Church, gave the address of welcome. She expressed hope that all who attended the meetings would become more consecrated and be lifted to a higher plane of life. She also expressed a desire to see the Circles of the Association known throughout the Dominion for their loyalty and splendid work. Miss Whiting, of Brantford, replied to the address of welcome, and thanked the members of the church for their cordiality and kindness.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee—Miss Whiting, of Brantford; Mrs. Varden, of Springfield, and Mrs. Everton, of Brantford.

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. S. G. Reid, Mrs. Kendall, of Norwich, and Mrs. Wilcott, of Woodstock.

A special committee was also appointed to judge the hospital supplies which had been donated by the Bands of the Association and placed on exhibition at the front of the church.

Mrs. T. M. Layman, of Tillsonburg, Director of the Association, gave an encouraging and comprehensive report of the year's work. The amount given to Home Missions during the year was \$2203.25, to Foreign Missions, \$2364.67, a total of \$4,567.92.

Mrs. D. Vansickle, of Jerseyville, contributed a vocal solo. Mrs. Gosnell, of Paris, gave an interesting address, taking as her subject, "The Year of Jubilee." The keyword of the Association was "Consecration."

"Take my love, My Lord, I pour,
At Thy feet its treasure-store,
Take myself and I will be
Ever, only, all for Thee."

Mrs. Gosnell stated that the objective of the Association had been set at 5,000 souls to be won for Christ, \$5,000 raised for the work this "Year of Jubilee" which marks the 50th Anniversary of Baptist Mission Work in India.

Miss Mabee gave an enthusiastic report of the work being done among the foreigners in Toronto. As her text she took the following passage. "Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." Miss Mabee stated that her work at Memorial Institute, Toronto, is to train leaders who in later years may be missionaries in heathen lands. She expressed her gratitude to the Association for the many gifts sent her to help along her work. "What we need," she said, "is a full treasury, to help carry on the Home Mission Work. Canada has a special place among the nations of the world. How can those in heathen lands receive the light if the light is dim at home. Why is Canada so richly blessed? Is it that we may keep all our blessings for ourselves? No! We are blessed so that we can pass our blessings along to others in the lands beyond the sea."

"We must lift the immigrant up or he will drag us down. Thousands who come to Canada every year are Atheists, and we must teach them of Christ. If we were stronger at home, we would be ready for them when they come, and we would save far more than we are doing now." In conclusion, Miss Mabee made a strong appeal for help in the Home Mission Work.

Miss L. Pratt, of Petrolea, gave a talk on Young Women's Work, and made an eloquent appeal for more work and better work, and expressed the hope that this coming year will see fifty new Circles formed and a fifty per cent. increase in membership. She gave four rules which Circles might follow in their campaign for new members. First, try to get the young women in the church interested.

Second, have meetings spicy, interesting and different. Third, have a few moments at each meeting set aside for the discussion of "Stewardship" and urge the practice of giving one-tenth. Fourth, under the heading of miscellaneous, she suggested the installing of a small missionary library.

The meeting closed with a session of prayer.

Evening Session

The evening session began at 7.30, with Mrs. Gosnell, of Paris, again presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Hindson, of Tillsonburg. The following officers were elected for next year's association:

President—Mrs. Gosnell, of Paris.

Vice-President—Mrs. (Rev.) Donald McIntyre, of Ingersoll.

Director—Mrs. T. M. Layman, of Tillsonburg.

Band Director—Mrs. Howson, of Scotland.

Band Executive—Mrs. Baird, of Brantford; Mrs. Burch, of Burch, and Mrs. Carr, of Tillsonburg.

Mrs. S. G. Reid, on behalf of the Committee on Resolutions, moved the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved that we express our sincere and grateful appreciation to the Burgessville Baptist Church for their hearty welcome and gracious hospitality, and trust that our gathering together may prove a blessing to us all.

Resolved that in this time of Jubilee rejoicing, we call upon the women of our churches for renewed consecration and increased missionary givings to the end that when we shall meet one year hence it shall be found that we have greatly exceeded the giving of former years in spirit of sacrifice akin to that of our pioneer work at home and abroad.

We, the women of the Oxford-Brant Association of Baptist Churches would resolve that:

Whereas for the fifth time Ontario has pronounced against the liquor traffic during the past thirty years with strong majorities, and whereas the majority for the

O. T. A. was 406,676, and whereas many prominent men in industry and business have given assurance of the betterment of conditions under the Act, such as much less drunkenness and poverty, and whereas the possible great expense to again vote on this question in these times of money stringency is unnecessary and wasteful, we would respectfully urge our strong opposition to any change such as Government sale as it has prevailed in other provinces, where it has failed to control and has increased drunkenness. We would urge that the Ontario Temperance Act be given a fair trial by better enforcement.

Resolved that we deeply regret the enforced absence through illness of our much loved President, Mrs. W. L. Palframan, and that we hereby express our loving sympathy with Rev. and Mrs. Palframan at this time; also that the Secretary be instructed to send greetings to Mrs. Palframan, expressing the desire of our hearts that she may be speedily restored to health and the work she loves.

The Ladies' Quartette of Burgessville, sang very pleasingly.

Mrs. Howson, of Scotland, Band Director, gave the report of the Bands for the past year. She said that out of twenty-three Mission Bands she had received reports from eighteen. The amount given to Home Missions during the year was \$401.96, and to Foreign Missions, \$463.18. Scotland Mission Band headed the list with the largest giving per member, and Riverdale Mission Band of Brantford came a close second. Two new bands had been formed during the year. The banner for practical work went to the Mission Band of Calvary Baptist Church, Brantford, and the banner for best progress during the year was presented to the Osweegan Mission Band. In the hospital supplies contest, Calvary Mission Band received the prize of a map of India, with inset of Bolivia, and Riverdale Band, Brantford, was given honorable mention.

Nineteen members of the Burgessville Mission Band sang very pleasingly and gave an interesting dialogue. Mrs. Baird, of Brantford, spoke for a few moments

on the subject of "Next Year." Mrs. Baird stated that in the past year most of the work had been done for Foreign Missions, and urged that "Next Year" be devoted to work for Home Missions. She said that no Christian Missionary work is being done among the foreign born people and suggested an objective of \$300.00 for the Bands to raise "Next Year" for that work.

Mrs. Joseph Janes, of Woodstock, rendered a very beautiful vocal solo.

Rev. Percy Buck, of Oruro, Bolivia, who is an eloquent, forceful speaker, held the undivided attention of the large audience throughout his interesting address on "Foreign Missions." Mr. Buck gave a splendid outline of conditions in Bolivia, where he is stationed, and urged the need of more missionaries and more work. He stated that when a soul is brought to Christ in Bolivia it is a great triumph, because, of the terrible conditions which exist there and the strong opposition which is made to Christian work being carried on. The Baptist message in Bolivia is a testimony of relationship with a living person, the Lord Jesus Christ, he said.

Mr. Palframan, of the Burgessville Church, pronounced the benediction.

Miss Hindson also presented the Stewardship program for next year, as proposed by the Boards.

CIRCLES

Woodstock

After a very interesting talk by Miss Pratt, of Petrolia, on April 14, 1924, a Young Ladies' Mission Circle was formed at the First Baptist Church, Woodstock, Ont. As this is Jubilee Year we decided to go under the name of "The Young Ladies' Jubilee Mission Circle." We hold our meetings at the home of the different members once a month, which take the form of devotional exercises and a missionary address given by different members. Our roll call is responded to by the name of a missionary, and each girl prays for the missionary she represents. At the close of the meeting light refreshments are served.

We have increased in membership from 32 to 51, and feel that the interest in missions is growing. During our three meetings we have dressed 40 dolls to be sent to Miss Baskerville, Cocanada, and made 178 bags for Miss Selman, of Akidu, and sent 250 picture cards to Miss Hinman, of Akidu, and are looking forward to greater work during the coming months.

Muriel G. Kelly,

Secretary.

Colchester

The annual Thank-offering meeting was held on the afternoon of June 27th, at the home of Mrs. Orlan Iler. Some forty people were present, and a most pleasant and profitable time was spent.

The President, Mrs. Philip Ferris, welcomed all the visitors in the name of the Circle, and then all joined in singing the consecration hymn:

"Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild, restless sea."

Mrs. Ferris then led in prayer, after which Mrs. John Arner read the Scripture Lesson (103rd Psalm).

The Secretary read the minutes, which showed that there was an enrolled membership of eighteen; that twelve meetings had been held during the year; the contributions to Missions being \$64.00, besides a box of clothing to fire sufferers of the North. Mrs. Gordon Fox gave a splendid poem on "Faith"; this was followed by a solo by the pastor.

Mrs. O. Berry gave a reading entitled, "The Lady Hildegard." Mrs. F. Iler, and Mrs. E. Tofflemine then sang a duet "Whispering Hope."

The Pastor, Rev. H. C. Packham, delivered an appropriate address on "Our Responsibility to Missions."

The offering was then taken, which a party with two choice piano selections, At the close of the regular part of the program, a delicious lunch was served, mounted to \$48. In addition to this some \$15.00 had been sent in previous to the meeting.

Master Ralph Iler then favored the com-

which all thoroughly enjoyed, and a very happy social hour was spent by the Ladies of the Circle in entertaining the visitors.

Mrs. Everett Arner, Secretary.

High Park, Toronto

As a result of the recent campaign conducted by the High Park Baptist Mission Circle, fourteen new members joined the Circle, and eighteen new subscribers to the Link were obtained.

Mrs. J. Moss,
Agent for Link.

NOTICE

Ontario West Convention

Time November 12th and 13th, 1924.
Place, First Baptist Church, Woodstock, Ont.

Foreign Mission Day, Wednesday, Nov. 12th.

Fuller announcement in next issue of the "Link."

E. M. Inrig, Sec.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts for June, 1924.

From Circles—Port Hope, \$9.25; East Williams, \$6.00; London, Wortley Rd., \$53.10; Gravenhurst (per Mrs. Crosby) \$35.00; Stouffville \$5.45; Whitby, \$3.30; Orillia, \$25.00; Windsor, Bruce, \$36.50; Toronto, College, \$24.85; Burks' Falls, \$2.90; Toronto, Immanuel, \$3.50; Rodney \$7.00; Toronto, Walmer Rd., \$127.47; Burford, \$6.25; Courtright, \$8.75; Jaffa, \$2.00; Owen Sound, \$8.50; Kitchener, Benton, \$25.00; Burlington, \$9.25; Toronto, Olivet, \$9.50; Fort William, \$34.25; Orangeville, \$5.12; Grimsby, \$7.00; Durham, \$5.00; Meaford, \$8.50; Toronto, Waverley, \$24.00; Toronto, Boon, \$6.55; Haldimand, \$4.00; Bothwell, \$7.00; Port Arthur, \$20.50; Beamsville, \$5.00; Toronto, Pape Ave. \$7.09; New Aberdeen, \$14.85; Denfield, \$10.00; London, Talbot, \$15.50; Niagara Falls, Main, \$1.95; Toronto, Ossington, \$23.60; St. Catharines, \$5.50; Goderich, \$5.00; North Bay, \$1.90; Toronto, Castlefield, \$10.00; Toronto, Jarvis, \$14.49; Palmerston, \$7.00; Norwich, \$25.00; Delhi, \$36.72; Burgessville, \$25.00; Brooke and Enniskillen, \$2.40; Toronto, Dovercourt, \$7.10; Cochrane, \$5.00; New Sarum, \$2.00; East Nisouri, \$5.85; Vittoria, \$2.40; S. S. Marie, Wel-

lington, \$5.20; London, Egerton, \$10.05.

Young Women's Circles—Toronto, Immanuel, \$15.00; Belleville, \$20.00; Hamilton, Stanley, \$5.00; Toronto, St. Clair Ave., \$13.05; Hamilton, Victoria, \$17.50; Aylmer, \$15.00; Stratford, Ontario, MacLaurin, \$13.00; Toronto, Walmer Rd., \$7.50; Toronto, Jarvis, \$7.50; Stratford, McLaurin, \$8.00; Owen Sound, \$13.; Toronto, Immanuel, \$8.00; St. Catharines, Queen, \$25.00; Tillsonburg, \$7.25; Hamilton, James, \$17.88; Stratford, MacLaurin, \$8.50.

Bands—Port Hope, \$9.25; Forest, \$7.00; Hamilton, Stanley, \$15.00; Parry Sound, \$6.00; Courtland, \$6.00; Toronto, St. John's, \$1.25; Strathroy, \$10.00; Port Arthur, \$10.00; Colborne, \$10.00; Wheatley, \$12.50; Cramahe, \$4; Haldimand, \$2.50; London, Egerton, \$3.00; Peterboro, Murray, \$5.00; Sparta, \$5.50; Arkona, \$1.00; Peterboro, Murray (per Mr. and Mrs. L. Croly) \$20.00; Round Plains, \$5.00.

From Other Sources—Miss C. A. Chapman, \$15.00; London, Hope Mission, \$50.00; Guelph Association, \$8.05; Niagara-Hamilton, Asso., \$16.00; Middlesex-Lambton Asso. \$17.90; Walkerton, Asso., \$7.00; Peterboro Assoc., \$7.45; Collingwood Asso. \$19.38; Miss Martha Rogers \$100.00; Brantford, First Bible Class, \$30.00.

M. C. Campbell, Treasurer.

Mrs. E. Campbell,
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FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN'S BAPTIST HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

(Continued from page 5)

for the future of our work? Great and abundant blessing is in store for those who unitedly call upon Him. Let us pray for real spiritual quickening as we come together at Convention; for financial blessing also, for should we not ask definitely for a *record balance* in our Home Mission treasury, that our forty-first year may be a great year of expansion as well as consolation on our work? that Home and Foreign interests together may be quickened and the Lord honored.

Watch the *Visitor* and *Link* for special announcements as to the details of the Home Mission programme.

Carrie H. Holman,
Pres. Women's Home Mission Sec.

The Young Women

VANCOUVER JUBILEE PAGEANT

Dear Link:

In your June issue there is a letter from Mrs. Mills telling about our Jubilee Pageant in Vancouver, and now I want to give you the sequel.

Shortly after its presentation, a young man came to our home, and had been seated but a few minutes, when he turned to me with the question "what are you going to do about that Children's Hospital, Mrs. McLeod?" Then he told how he and his wife had been at the Pageant, had heard the nine messengers tell of the needs and the opportunities, one of which was a Children's Hospital at Pithapuram. (Nearly a year ago \$600 had been given for a Children's Hospital, a thousand dollars was still needed) and before they retired they decided that they must give \$100 of the needed one thousand.

Two days later he phoned me that he had been telling a friend about the Hospital and the friend would give \$25. Immediately I began to wonder if there were not others who would like to have a part in making up that thousand dollars if they but knew that the fund was open. So I went to a few friends, told them of the need, and of the \$600 lying in the bank at Madras, and how the Lord had touched the hearts of His children to give \$125 of the thousand dollars still necessary, thus indicating clearly that a Children's Hospital was in His purpose for our work in India.

Every one to whom I went, thanked me for giving them the privilege of contributing. One dear sister exclaimed, "Oh, Mrs. McLeod, I am so glad you told me about this, I have been trying to decide where to place \$100, now I know. The Lord sent you to make this need known to me." And she gave \$100.

The \$1000 all came in, and was sent on as a Jubilee Thankoffering to be used for the Children's Hospital at Pithapuram. When finished it will be the only Children's Hospital between Madras and Calcutta.

I want all who may present the Pageant to know that **that one need has been met,**

and I am hoping and praying that the Lord will use the Pageant to touch other hearts to meet other needs.

(Mrs.) A. A. McLeod.

Vancouver, B.C.

Y. W. M. C.

Dear Girls:

I hope that sometime, somewhere during the long days of the summer each one of you has had the opportunity of getting out in God's great out-of-doors for a time of quiet thought and communion, and from that rest time you have come back strong in purpose to make your life count for more in His service. There is always a charm about starting again,— "the lure of the trail beyond" as it were. What wonderful heights may we not reach this year in our Young Women's Mission Circle work!

I am sure that already many of you have been making your plans for the winter's work. One Circle wrote that they are planning to make their September meeting "a royal send-off on a year of sincere and enthusiastic work." Surely such a start will go a long way toward making a year of success.

Perhaps some of you are planning to meet with some neighboring Y. W. M. Circles for a rally, or perhaps you are planning a rally in your own church of all the Mission organizations. Whatever your plans I wish you every success and shall be glad to hear what you do.

Now about reports for the Convention. In about a month's time you will be asked by the director of your Association for a report of the year's work, and when the request comes please send in as full and interesting account of your work as possible. It will greatly help those in charge if reports are sent in promptly.

About funds also. Some of the newly organized Circles may not yet have been able to raise much money, but even if the amount is small do not fail to send it in to our Home and Foreign Treasurers, for every little is needed that we may carry on the great work we have undertaken.

Lida Pratt.

Our Mission Bands

A Mission Band in Every Church in Our Convention in Three Years

MISSION BAND LESSON

A Rainy Day in India

Priscilla M. Tedford

Patter! Patter! Patter! It rains, O, how it rains! Everything outside is being flooded. Not a soul is to be seen. O, yes, there are some women coming with some sticks of wood. They are carrying them on their heads and the bundles look almost as large as the women themselves. They are coming as fast as they can and now they are turning in at our gate. Their wood, which is quite soaked through, they have laid down outside and they are standing in the kitchen now drying their garments, which of course, are wet through, for each has only one, "quaka" which is a straight piece of cotton about four yards long wound about the body.

These women go regularly in the forest to gather wood which they sell in the town for about eight or ten cents a bundle. With the money they receive they will buy the daily food for their families. Do they seem worried or anxious? No, they are chatting away for they have never known anything but poverty, hunger and in the cold season, cold.

Let us follow them to their homes, a very tiny hut with mud floors, no windows at all and only a small door so low that one has to bend almost double to enter. What do you see inside? Well, there is a very old dirty mat in one corner and a piece of gunning bag in another which serves as beds for the family. In a third corner there are two black earthen pots used for cooking their food. But what is that niche in the wall, and that little image standing in it? It is their family god and there are some tiny blossoms beside it for they have been worshipping this image. Such an ugly looking fellow he is! He can neither hear nor see nor move.

"Hello Mother" sings out a little voice as the mother enters. This is the voice of the son and heir. "Did you get very wet and did you get some wood? Can I have some rice for dinner tonight? I am so hungry."

"Yes, dear, we shall have some rice to-night."

"Mother," continues the voice, "do you know that it is wrong to worship idols? Well, it is—our teacher told us so today. And it does seem rather strange to worship a thing like that (pointing to the idol). Our teacher is a Christian and he says we must pray to God in Heaven and he told us today all about Jesus and that we must pray to Him. He told us the most beautiful story about Him, and do you know, mother, I almost love Him already." "Hush child. Don't let your father hear you talk about Jesus. He will be very angry for he wants you to grow up to be a Hindu. The Christians are getting quite a number of people to believe in this teaching and I almost think there is something true in it, for to-day when we ran into the Mission House out of the rain the missionaries didn't drive us off as some folks might have done and the Umagara (Missionary's wife) spoke very kindly to us. And I noticed last Saturday as I went by that there was a group of beggars at their gate and a servant was giving them some pennies. There were all sorts of people there, even lepers; and although he didn't touch them, he went near enough to give them pennies just as he gave to the others. You will tell me all that you learn at school and I will think about it and bye and bye we will tell father. But I must prepare him gradually for the news."

This is how the story of Jesus is being spread throughout India. I wonder how many boys and girls at home are trying to help others to live like Jesus. You know that just living a sweet, happy, true life will tell others that you love Jesus even if you never say a word.

Then bye and bye when you get bigger you will love Him so much that you will just have to speak for Him. This is the only life worth living. Will you try it?

"Jesus said suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not for

of such is the kingdom of Heaven." "And He laid His hands on them and blessed them."

Questions

1. What are the women carrying on their heads?
2. Why do they have to carry wood?
- 3: What are their houses like?
4. What is their idol like?
5. Where did the son learn about Jesus?
6. What did Jesus say to the little children?—Tidings.

FROM MRS. SCOTT.

Godavari Dist., June 4th, 1924.

Dear Boys and Girls of The Link:—

'Some little elves sat 'neath a tree,
They sewed bright bags to cross the sea;
Bags of yellow, and bags of red
Came tumbling in, and 'Good Cheer',
said.'

Alice would say, 'No, that's not quite right,' would she not? But anyway it reminds me of what happened last year about Christmas time in Chicacole when the wonder parcels for the boys and girls tumbled in from the 'elves' in Canada. I was so sorry to leave those nice boys and girls behind there when I came away, but who do you suppose were awaiting me when I arrived in my new home in Tuni? Why, four times as many more boys and girls, expecting the new 'Ammagaru' to love them and provide good cheer bags and pretty post cards when the next Christmas comes. At first I felt almost as helpless as the old woman in the shoe—you know all about her troubles—and then I bethought myself of the elves, and of our fairy godmother, the Link, who would carry my message for me to them, that I should need four times as many bags this year. That made my troubles seem much lighter for it brought visions of more wonder parcels, more Christmas joys, and more happy boys and girls in Canada, since more of them should learn the secret of the very nicest sort of happiness—if you haven't discovered the secret just try making bright bags to cross the sea, and I am sure you will.

When you are posting the wonder parcel you won't forget to say on the outside in big Capital letters, OF NO COMMERCIAL VALUE, will you? Otherwise the Postman gets the precious money we have saved up to fill the bags with the split peas the little folks like so much in India.

Yours lovingly,

H. E. Scott.

Mrs. A. A. Scott,
Godavari, D., Tuni.

Woolwich St., Guelph.

"The Willing Workers Band" of the Woolwich St. Baptist Church, Guelph, meets every second and fourth Sunday for Mission studies. At present we are studying "Glimpses and Gleams of India and Bolivia." A work meeting is held every second Thursday of each month. There is an average attendance of fifty and a membership of seventy. A very interesting missionary program was rendered on June 27th to a very appreciative audience. The proceeds of the evening and mite box offerings amounted to \$47.00 We are supporting a Biblewoman, C. Melamma, under Miss Selman, at Akidu. By God's help we are going on until we can say we have finished our course.

Ruth Powell, Sec.

JUBILEE PAGEANT

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The Eastern Society

Miss Barker, 4136 Dorchester Street, Westmount, Quebec.

MISSION BAND AT SMITH'S FALLS.

We are glad to report that our Mission Band at Smith's Falls is doing good work this year. We have had a series of lessons following the life of a little boy and girl in Africa, and we also took the program outlined in the "Link" on Medical Missions.

We had a very successful entertainment in which a number of the older girls and boys took part. We had some very interesting items given, such as "A Day at Pithapuram Hospital," "The Voices of the Women," and others. The collection amounted to \$9.41, making a total of \$50 raised for the year.

Florence Willoughby, Secy.

BAND AT BAPTIST TABERNACLE MONTREAL

Dear Editor of Link.—We organized our Band May 8, 1923, with a membership of twenty-four, holding our meetings every two weeks.

For some time we opened our meeting with Scripture reading, prayer, singing and roll call, each member answering with a text of Scripture. The remainder of the time the girls spent in sewing, and the boys pasting postcards. Later we thought it best to do this work at home and use all our time learning about India, its ways, and customs.

Some of the children have given five cents out of every ten they receive for candy, to the little girl we support in Mrs. Gordon's school in Vuyyuru.

This last year we have sent twelve dolls, twenty bags, five picture rolls, three hundred cards, and with Miss Sanford on her return back to India we sent four quilts, which the children had made or patched. Beside this the Band sent eighteen dollars for the support of a little girl in Mrs. Gordon's School in Vuyyuru, and five dollars for a dog cart.

Just before Christmas the leader gave to each member a little silk bag to put in a

little gift for their little girl in India and received nearly four dollars.

At the present time the Mission Band is not meeting, but we have tin boxes covered with pictures of Indian children in which to put their collections and savings. One little boy of eight years told me he had already one dollar and eighty cents.

Last winter we had a very enjoyable evening with the mothers of the children, giving a very interesting program and the children serving refreshments.

We closed our meetings with a picnic meeting at the church. We had our pictures taken for the Link, then we left for the park where forty-three sat down to a good supper.

Elsie Murray, Sec.

OTTAWA ASSOCIATION

A large delegation representing the Circles, Young Women's, and Mission Bands of the Ottawa Association met in Calvary Baptist Church, Ottawa, June 17. The Directress, Mrs. E. Richards, Westboro, presided. The devotional exercises led by Mrs. J. K. Yelland, Thurso, were very helpful. Mrs. T. C. Blair extended a hearty welcome to the delegates and visitors, this was responded to by Mrs. N. McCallum, Vankleek Hill. The report presented by the Directress showed a slight balance for the year. Total amount raised by Circles and Bands for Home and Foreign Missions, \$4344.41. Our Home Mission Board was ably represented by Miss T. Lewitt, of Ottawa, and Mrs. E. G. Blackadar, of Rockcliffe, made an earnest appeal on behalf of the Foreign Mission Board.

For Band workers there were many valuable suggestions made by Miss I. Stanley, Westboro; Miss F. E. Marjerrison and Miss R. Burnside, Ottawa. Miss Evelyn Carkner, Kenmore, very ably presented the merits of the "Link" and "Visitor." Echoes from our Jubilee, by Mrs. J. D. McLean, did not fail to stir our hearts.

The evening session opened with a song service led by Mr. F. C. Blair, of the Calvary Church.

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Bands are reminded that there is still a small sum needed to complete the \$50.00, their special for the dogcart at Vuyuru. "The King's business requireth haste."

Programme of 48th Annual Meeting of the Women's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society of Eastern Ontario and Quebec.

Wednesday, October 8th, 1924.

Convention Reporter—Mrs. R. H. Findlay.

Morning Session

Keynote—"Stewardship."

"It is required in a steward that he be found faithful."

9.15—Registration.

9.30—Hymn.

Scripture and Prayer by Mrs. M. F. McCutcheon.

Address of Welcome by Mrs. C.G. Smith. Reply.

Minutes of last Annual Meeting.

Appointment of Committees, Nominations, Appropriations, Resolutions.

10.00—Annual Reports.

Recording Secretary's Report, Miss E. Bentley.

Superintendent of Supplies' Report, Miss Maude Clarke.

Associational Directors' Reports.

10.30—"The Link" and Review of Study Books, Miss Grace McLaren.

Hymn.

10.45—President's Message.

Report of Nominating Committee.

Election of Officers and Board Members.

11.45—Quiet Hour. Mrs. F. H. Wentworth, Que.

12.15—Announcements and adjournment.

Officers Retiring.

President, Mrs. H. H. Ayer; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. C. G. Smith; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. G. Rickert; Recording Secretary, Miss Bentley.

Board members retiring but eligible for re-election: Mesdames Ward, Scammell (Ottawa), White, Colpites, Findlay, Wilson, and Miss Russell.

Afternoon Session

"There is that without more than is meet, but it tendeth only to want."

2.00—Prayer and Praise service, led by Mrs. A. E. White.

2.30—Corresponding Secretary's Report, Mrs. P. B. Motley.

3.00—Treasurer's Report, Miss Maud Clarke, seconded by Mrs. Cogswell.

Report of Committee on Appropriations. Discussion.

Hymn.

3.30—Address.

4.00—Offering.

Exercise by Temple Mission Band.

Installation of Officers, Miss P. Chandler.

Hymn.

Adjournment.

Evening Session

7.45—Hymn.

Scripture and Prayer.

8.00—Young Women's Work, Mrs. E. G. Blackadar.

Hymn.

8.45—Address. Rev. J. B. McLaurin, India.

Offering.

Hymn.

Benediction.

This programme is subject to change. It is hoped that Miss Bessie Lockhart, who is now on furlough at her home in Nova Scotia, may be present at the Convention and speak at the Wednesday afternoon session, but owing to the state of her own health and other reasons, it is impossible for her to make a definite engagement at the early date of going to press. Further notice of the Convention will appear in the Baptist in September.

ON THE HIGHEST AUTHORITY

By Robert E. Spear.

If the missionary enterprise is a mistake, it is not our mistake; it is the mistake of God. If the laying down of life in the attempt to evangelize the world is an illegitimate waste, let the reproach of it rest on that one priceless Life that was, therefore, laid down needlessly for the world.

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We bow our heads beneath the cross on which our Saviour hung, and for us no other word needs to be spoken regarding the absoluteness of His faith, and the inadequacy of the half-teachers who have gone before Him, or who were to come after Him. No word needs to be spoken to us beyond His word, "I came to save the world," and the great word of the man who had loved Him dearly, whose life had been changed from weakness into strength by His power, and who was to die in His service: "And in none other is there salvation; for neither is there any other name under heaven, that is given among men, wherein we must be saved."

—*Missionary Review of the World.*

THY STRENGTH AND MY DAY

By Annie Johnson Flint

Give me Thy strength for my day
That wheresoe'er I go,
There shall no danger daunt me
And I shall fear no foe;
So shall no task o'ercome me,
So shall no trial fret,
So shall I walk unwearied
The path where my feet are set;
So shall I walk unwearied
Greater than I can bear,
So shall I have the courage
Equal to all my care;
So shall no grief o'erwhelm me,
So shall no wave o'erflow—
Give me Thy strength for my day, Lord,
Cover my weakness so.

—*"The Baptist"* (Chicago)

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INDIA

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You will want some material for meetings on Bolivia. There is nothing so good as Mr. Stillwell's new book, "Pioneering in Bolivia" (40c.). It would make a perfectly fine study book for your season's work and remarkably interesting, too, as we follow the story of those pioneers who "specialized on the wholly impossible."

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We all know something about this interesting country, but what do we know? Do we know enough to pray intelligently and earnestly? "Something is happening these days in China." Anyone who reads the newspapers knows that. We have come to think of China being in a constant state of turmoil from these newspaper reports. Let us do some real studying and reading and see what "the real revolution" is. The following books are selected from lists prepared jointly by the Missionary Education Movement and The Central Committee for United Study of F. M. Those for which the Central Committee stands responsible are marked X.

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RUSSIA

We now have three copies of a paper written by our President Mrs. Albert Matthews, on the work in Russia under Dr. Rushbrooke, and with which The Canadian Baptist Convention is connected. See additional comment on another page.