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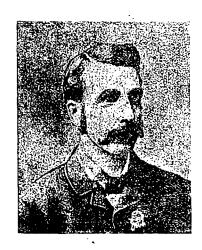


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Farewell Meetings to Mr. and Mrs. Garside

The evening meeting of the Fyfe Missionary Society, on the 7th inst., took the form of a farewell service to our esteemed fellow-student, Robert Garside, who sails on Saturday next for India, as the special representative of our young men. All the city churches were represented in the gathering.

Mr. F. Lebeau, of the Grande Ligne Mission who had been expected to address the afternoon session, was first introduced. In a short address, replete with information, and bristling with points, and delivered with perfect enhouse, he brought before us Grande Ligne, its situa-

tion, history, needs and claims.

Pastor Denovan regarded the Fyfe Missionary Society as one of the noblest institutions in connection with the College. He paid a tribute to Mr. Garaide as a man of sterling common sense, strong self-will and settled purpose, who had faced the foreign mission work intelligently and resolutely divested it of all its unreal glamour.

Mr. I. J. Metcalf, on behalf of the students, spoke words of mingled congratulation, sympathy and regret. He referred to the faithfulness which Mr. Garaide has shown in carrying to a successful issue his course of studies both at Woodstock College and at Toronto University, and that he only relinquished an incomplete theological course to answer the stirring trumpet call to India. He expressed his confidence that the same consecrated gift would carry our brother through the hardships and discouragements of the foreign mission field when other inspirations would fail. .

Rev. Dr. Thomas was to have spoken on behalf of Jarvis Street Church. The President read a letter apologising for his absence, expressing the hope that Bro. Garside would be sent forth upon a flood-tide of good

wishes and earnest prayers.

After prayer led by Brethren Sheldon and Rawbone, the Rev. Dr. Castle, as President of the Faculty, addressed his farewell words to the missionary elect. He was convinced that the foreign field required our very best men. Robert Garside was one of the noblest and best gifts which the College could bestow upon India. student he has shown himself to be possessed of solid manhood and the brilliant talent of honest hard work. He went forth upon a sacred and glorious mission, carrying with him the esteem and love of the Faculty and students. The Doctor expressed his gratitude that the reproach of former days was blotted out, when the appeal, "A man for India," was iterated and reiterated. without respose. Laflamme and Davis were already on the shores of India and looking for the coming of their brother. He hoped that the young men of our churches would continue in the good work now inaugurated, and become worthy rivals of their sisters in foreign mission enterprise.

Mr. Garside spoke a few earnest words in conclusion, tracing the steps by which he had been led to surrender himself to the foreign work. Lack of space forbids even

a synopsis.

The day was characterized by a quiet carnestness throughout, and will long be remembered in the history of the Society.

FRED. T. TAPSCOTT, Recording Sec.

JARVIS St. CHURCH. - A most unique and delightful service was held in the Sunday School Hall of the Jarvis Street Church, on Wednesday evening, 9th inst. It was a church family farowell to Mr. and Mrs. Garside. The spacious room was filled to repletion. Dr. Thomas pre-sided. Mr. William Elliot spoke for the board of deacons, Mr. D. E. Thomson for the mission societies of the church, Mr. W. J. Davis for the Sunday school, and Mrs. Castle for the ladies' circles. A deputation from the Alexander Street Church, consisting of Mr. Huston and the Rev. Prof. McGregor, were introduced, and spoke with admirable appropriateness for the Young People's Association and the church which they represented. Mr. Garside feelingly responded. Before the meeting closed the Rev. Joshua Denovan arrived, and spoke words which thrilled all hearts. For appropriateness, conciseness and variety of speech-for tenderness, warmth and enthusiasm of feeling-for all that goes to make a meeting delightfully memorable, this certainly excelled Not the loast impressive features were the fervent prayers led by Rev. A. Grant, Dr. Buchan and Dr. Castle.

Mr. and Mrs. Garside left for New York the following morning, and sailed for Liverpool on Saturday, per steam ship Etruria.

"The Link."

Let us encourage the circulation of the Link. It is know ledge that is needed. We want to know and we want many others to know about our work and our workers. Cocanada, Samulcotta, Akidu and Tuni, and the names of the workers at these and other stations should be household words. I believe many more would give their money, give their sympathy and their prayers if they knew the needs of our

Christmas will soon be here, why not look over the list of our friends whether rich or poor, and send to one or more as we can, the LINK for 1888, reminding them eleven times during the year of Missions and Missionaries. There are not many too poor to take the LINK; but there are many too little interested in Christian work to take it, and these are I was much encouraged at the the ones who most need it. beginning of this year by a lady sending me 50c instead of 25c. to renew her Link, saying, "send the paper to some one else who is not able to take it for herself."

A few days ago a dear sister gave me \$25 "for India She said, "I read the Link, and I know the money is needed, I have saved it for India."

Three Tours.

As a rule it is better to write about a tour while one is making it or just at its close. But in this case I am go ing to write about three tours that have been made dur

ing the past few months.

The first was in July, when Miss Hatch and Mrs. Craig were out on the Cocanada field for aix days. They took Malakshmi and Robecca, Bible women, and five school girls along with them. Jonathan went as leader of the band in preaching. Our baby couldn't go, so I stayed at home to let Mrs. Craig go. They visited eleven villages, and of course crowds of people, both men, women and children, too, came out to see the ladies. The girls sang . Jonathan preached, and then the Bible women used their opportunities and talked to groups of women. On the Sunday they were out, they attended the service at Nalluru in the morning, and in the evening Chelluru was visited. This tour was such a success in drawing the caste people out to hear the gospel, that I think it must be repeated occasionally.

My tour over the same region was made just a month after the other. The memory of the ladies' visit was still very fresh in the minds of the people. In one large village after we had preached to the caste people for some time, we sold quite a number of tracts and copies of Matthew, etc. I take special pleasure in selling copies of the gospel, whether Matthew, Mark, Luke or John; because, I know they have the history of Christ's life and death and resurrection. In a word, the history of His great work for sinners. I visited nineteen villages, and we observed the Lord's Supper at Mirnapad, and Nallurn. Six porsons were baptized at various places. This tour is memorable to me for two reasons. In most places the people gave great attention to the word spoken, and I personally never felt more liberty in preaching or more desire for the salvation of the people I addressed. It rejoices one to see them listening attentively to the truth ; but oh! for the time when we shall see them really submitting themselves to it in love!

The third tour is the one I am now making. Three weeks ago to-day I left Cocanada for Akidu. On Sunday, the 25th of September we had a good meeting there, and Monday and Tuesday were spent in hearing reports from the workers. On Thursday evening we were at Tadinada, a village near the Upputeru river, but on the Kistna side, I mean in the Kistna District, the Upputeru being the boundary between the Godavery and Kistna Districts. We had a very good hearing, and trust that some will soon come out in that place. The Malapilly is very neat and clean. A lock is being constructed there, to let boats out of the Kistna canala into the Upputero. This will soon be finished, we hope, and then the necessity for a long roundabout journey vi's Ellore and Bezwada will be a thing of the past. Many of our villages will be within a day's journey by boat, and even Masulipatam ought then to be reached in twenty-four hours from Akidu, while the journey to Bozwada, which is being supplied with two lines of railway, will require only thirty-six hours by boat. We shall be tempted to run up to Bezwada occasionally, just to look at a train, and feel we are near civilization once more.

But to go on with my tour. Sunday the 2nd of October, was spont at Artamurn in the morning, and two other villages in the evening. In one of the latter we found the people singing and dancing around a lamp on a post. The moonlight was brilliant. They thought it a good night for that kind of worship, but our coming turned it into a different kind of service. I think there must have been one hundred and fifty or two hundred men and women present. They listened well while we sang and talked to them of the Saviour. We have a few Christians in that Malapilly.

On Thursday evening I was at Malikimahammadapuram. I am sorry that place has such a long name, but it is very simple after all, because it is a Mohammedan name, and we would be apt to write it Mulick Mohammad with "pura" at the end, meaning village or town. I went specially to see their new schoolhouse-chapel. Some years ago I wrote to the authorities, asking for a site in that village, and at last after great delays, the land was grauted some months ago. Now a good substantial house has been built on it. This is one of our best villages; the people give well to their Sunday collections, and also

help to support their teachers. We had a nice little necting, but that was only a taste. As soon as possible we shall have a meeting of the church there some Sunday, and observe with them our Lord's memorial feast. But I must draw to a close. When I left Cocanada I hoped to visit Gunnanapudi and neighboring villages, then all our villages between Akidu and the Godavery river; but I found that I could not reach Gunnanapudi at present with my boat, so I turned to the west, and have been visiting the villages near the Kistna. At present I am at Masulipatam, and hope to see Bedagunta, twelve miles to the south-west, to.morrow. In a week or so I expect to be at Cocanada once more. Most of September was unusually dry and hot, and hence the north-east monsoon has begun very early. We had some heavy showers last week, and rain is in order every day now.

Oct. 12th, 1887.

JOHN CRAIG.

THE WORK AT HOME.

Notes of a Tour through parts of Hants County, N. S.

In October, an invitation came from our newly appointed agent in the above county which ran somewhat thus-" If I undertake this work. I want you to come up to Windsor, and visit as many recieties as possible with me, and thus give me a good send off." It looked pretty formidable but after due ronsideration, and much prayer, the invitation was accepted. But first at the Book Room we laid in a stock of mite boxes. tracts, papers, &c., as our aim was to visit not so much the strong but the weak Aid Societies. Leaving Halifax on Thursday morning 20th, a few hours in the cars brought us to Windsor, and verily a few hours is sufficient. One can only think of the old line "Rattle his bones over the stones" as the C. P. & A. Railway jolts you along. On Thursday afternoon we met with some of the sisters of the Windsor Aid. It being the annual meeting they had arranged for a public tervice in the evening. An earnest, tonder, loving address of welcome to the new Provincial Secretary was given by Mrs. Hobart in the afternoon and the flesire expressed that the work undertaken might be abundantly blessed. The answer to this, with prayer and singing fully occupied the time. The evening meeting was led by the Pastor The report shewed good work done, a large amount of money raised, but not as much attendance at the monthly meetings as could be desired. Some of the members had exchanged the service here for that in the Home above. After the adoption of the report. came a short address, and then an allegory given by the President and some of the members of the Mission Band. This was entitled "Rescue the perishing," and rarely has it been our privilege to listen to anything more impressive. The characters personated were Religion. Faith, Hope, Charity, and a poor outcast who seeking refuge from the storm knocks at a door over which she sees written, "knock and it shall be opened unto you." The allegory opens with an address from Religion who bids the three sisters go forth in the name of Christ and win the perishing. As the outcast bemoans her fate and knocks, Faith comes to her, bidding her believe, but in rather stern words telling her that unless she does, entrance is denied Then follows Hope, but she too assures her that without faith see cannot have hope, all other hope is vain, delusive. Failing in their efforces. Charity next appears, who in loving words tells her how lesus died to save her, and how He is even now waiting to receive her. Love conquering she leads her into the fold while singing "Come home, come home." Religion then enters and aldressing Faith, sings "Weary gleaner whence contest thou," unswered by Faith, she addresses Hope in the same way, and also Charity, who comes leading the outcast by the hand, a few words from Religion then closes the scene as she turns to them with the words, "And now abideth Faith, Hope, Charity, those three, but the greatest of these is Charity."

The great charm in this allegory lay in the intense feeling manifested by those who took part. They so evidently felt all they said nad entered upon it, as their teacher said, with an earnest longing and prayer that the Master would bless their effort.

Friday morning found us on our way to Falmouth, and after reaching there down comes the rain, and the roads! Fancy red clay in which your feet sink down, down, and you have but a faint idea of Falmouth Roads.

On our way to the Parsonage (where we were warmly welcomed) we called at several houses, obtaining some now subscribers for the Link, and trying to interest the trends. In spite of the rain, the meeting though small was good, as it could not fail to be with the Master present. The President having been called home about a year ago, we elected a new one and two new members were enrolled. Better than all some fainting hearts were revived.

Saturday was spent quietly in Windsor, and on Monday morning started again. This time driving about twelve mids to Scotch Village, keeping a sharp look out for pigs, they being the only thing of which our steed was known to have any fear. Our meeting was appointed for three, but the rain coming down, as though it fully intended to keep on, the boy who had the church keys and who evidently did not believe in the "perseverance of the saints," failed to open the door. However a sister near by opened her house, and nothing daunted we wont to work

While sending their money regularly, this society had not hold their monthly meetings for several years. The members being so scattered had in part accounted for this, and beside many had left the place, and the rest had become discouraged. In this meeting the spirit of God was manifestly present quickening His children, and the society was reorganized with twelve members. Mrs. J. Walley being President and Mrs. Edwin Dimock, Secretary. One of the sisters had walked two miles in the ruin that day in order to be present at our meeting, and she was seventy-five years old. It was a meeting long to be remembered, every one taking part and seeming glad to do so.

After a good night's rest with Mrs Edward Dimock, we had intended to start next day by stage, but owing to the kindness of the pastor, who insisted on our taking his carriage, we arrived at Walton some hours earlier than we had thought. Our charioteer now was young but very entertaining, besides knowing his horse and his road, two very desirable attainments. This drive of fourteen miles was bitterly cold, but good wood tires very soon thaw you out. We found the society here small, very small, still each year they had sent in something to the treasury. We found our meeting was appointed for the evening and the prospects were not encouraging when we found no brother who would lead. However it was the Master's work; He had used as women before, and He would again; so depending solely upon Him, we went forward; the Holy Spirit was again present, and our sisters encouraged to go on with the meetings. Oh, how many hidden ones the dear Lord has in these remote country Brothers and sisters whose lives are one long self-denial for Jesus. With very little of outward help or encouragement, they are maintaining the Lord's cause at home and abroad.

The next morning at nine we started of, again for a drive of soventeen miles, but the day was glorious, and the scenary perfect. We seemed to skirt the Basin of Minas as it were for the whole way, with Blomicon's metimes in front, sometimes behind us. Stopping at Cheverie for dinner we had hoped to organize a society here, but found that we should have stopped two miles further down, so were obliged to leave that for the present, and push on to Somerville. Here we found to our dismay, that through the wrong reading of our postal, a mistake had been made in the day of our meeting and we were not expected. No time was to be lost; it was prayer-meeting night, one thing in our favor, so, with

one of the good sisters as guide, we started on a tour through the village to drum them up. And in the evening, after the prayer-meeting, organized an Aid Society with seventeen members. Mrs. L. V. Marsters being President and Miss—— Secretary. It only needed here that some one go ahead, the sisters gladly fell into line. Speaking of the mite boxes and the putting away of the two cents a week, one sister told of how some years ago her child had been led to do so, through reading a letter from Mrs. Archibald in one of the papers. The child had since been called away, but she died trusting in Jesus, and the mother still kept on the box. "Sow ye beside all waters."

The next morning, Bro. Marsters took us across to Hantsport in his sail boat. The Society here being larger we thought we were not needed, but found that the sisters had arranged for two meetings. About fifty met in the afternoon; five new members were added and ten Links subscribed for A social tea in the vestry added to the enjoyment and helped forward in a measure the evening meeting which was a mixed one. The programme consisting of singing, prayer and addresses. The interest was good, and seed sown to bear fruit in eternity. Another meeting in Falmouth the next evening, where the allegory given in Windsor was repeated, completed our tour.

It had been a glad one from beginning to end, as it could not fail to be with the Master guiding every step and giving every word. Twenty-three new subscribers were gained for the LINK, and about twenty dollars taken for missionary work. (The sum was probably larger than this, as we are not quite sure of the sum in one place). The expenses of this tour were shared by the two largest Societies, Windsor and Hantsport, thus leaving the other collections to swell the amount raised by societies.

We trust that the Master will point out the way for many more such tours. To speak a word to the weary is part of our commission, and loving, personal contact, hand to hand and heart to heart will do more than quires of written word. It is just impossible to tell of the warn welcomes received, and the kindness shewn by everyone in every place

A. E. J.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Halifax and Dartmouth Aid Societies was held in the vestry of the First Church, on Tucaday, 8th November. An interesting paper on Missions in Siam, was read by Mrs. Cline, and the hour passed in the usual devotional exercises. Owing to the absence of the Treasurer, there was no quarterly statement before the meeting, but the President announced that there being sufficient funds on hand, she had paud the first instalment for the year, 8875, into the treasury of the F. M. Board. It was unanimously agreed to send a box out to India, not later them 15th of February, and the Secretary was desired to notify the Aid Societies of Nova Scotia to that effect.

A. E. J.

ELEVENIH ANNUAL REPORT

Of the Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Baptist Foreign Missionary Society, of Ontario.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," was the command given us nearly nine-teen hundred years ago by our great Leader—He who "though He was rich yet for your sakes He became poor." Notwithstanding the greatness of this commission, and the centuries that have passed since it was givon there are yet over eight hundred millions of souls who have never even heard the glad message of salvation. What a sad proof of the unfaithfulness of God's believing children.

In reviewing the work of the year just closing, we desire in the first place to thank our Heavenly Father

for what He has permitted us to do; grateful that He has used us in His service, but conscious that what we have done is nothing to what we might have done if all the women in our churches were alive to the honor of telling to others "what a glad Saviour we have found."

The returns from the Associations show twenty-five new Ciroles formed, or old ones re-organized during the year. Brant, one; East Ontario, three; Elgin, two, Grand River, five; Ningara, two; Toronto, three; Walkerton, two; Middlesex and Lambton, and Owen Sound, do not report any. A Circle has also been formed in Port Arthur, so making in all twenty-six. There are now over 150 Foreign Mission Circles in Ontario.

It is a matter of regret that about five Circles have died out during the year, and one is reported as "taking a rest"; a sad state of affairs while the work is opening up in India as never before, and the constant cry comes to us for more workers, as those on the field cannot overtake the needs. "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth, there is that witholdeth more than is meet and it tendeth

to poverty.

Of the Manitoba Circles, Winnipeg only reports. On account of the heavy burden of debt resting upon thom, they have not been able to do as much for missions as they otherwise would. Notwithstanding this, and the amount of home work they have to do, their contribution to foreign work amounts to 85°.

The Associational Directors have done faithful work during the year; some of them amidst great discouragements. The success of the Society largely depends upon them and

the collectors.

There have been some changes in the Associations. Mrs. Friend, who worked so energetically in the Middle sex and Lambton Association, has left the country; her place is filled for the present by Miss Porter, of London Miss Fanny M. Stovel, of Mt. Forest, is acting in place of Mrs. Reid, for the Walkerton Association, and Miss Mary G. Buchan in place of Miss Alexander, for Toronto Association.

On March 8th a letter was received from Miss Hatch, containing the following. Moved by Mr. Stillwell, seconded by Mrs. McLaurin (Mr. McLaurin being in the chair), that the Secretary write to each of the Boards, requesting them that a young lady, one who has received a medical training if possible, be sent out to undertake zenana work."

In the April LINK, Mrs. Castle requested that every Mission Circle would, at their April meeting, with other

petitions, pray earnestly.

"1st. That the woman, whom the Lord would have go to India this summer, may be impressed to send her name to the Board, if she has not already done so.

2nd. That the Board may be guided to choose the one whom the Lord has chosen."

"If two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in Heaven."

Before the Board met in April, four offered themselves for the work; but no one of these seemed to meet all the requirements. After weeks of anxious waiting, in June, Miss Alexander, of Toronto, who had long and prayerfully considered the matter, offered herself to the Board. Her qualifications for the work were so well known that she was joyfully accepted by both Boards. She sailed from Boston on the 6th October, in company with 16 American missionaries. She has loft father, family ties, and her beloved church, work, to devote her life to the yet more pressing work in the zenanas of India. We ask for her your prayers that she may be rewarded one hundred fold.

Miss Alexander goes out as the missionary of the Eastern and Western Societies—our sisters in Montreal pay half her expenses. The great need in India to-day is medical missionaries. Since Miss Alexander's appointment, a number of young ladies have volunteered to go. Some of these would gladly take a medical course, and are well qualified to do so, if the way were clear to them.

OUR WORK IN INDIA.

Long before last year closed, word had come to us that Mass Frith was very ill. Spring came, still she was no better. These were to her "dark days when her hopes and plans were laid in the dust." So certain it seemed that she could never recover in the trying climate of India, that her friends there urged her return home, and on the evening of April 9th, after five years faithful service, she left Cocanada, in company with Mr. and Mrs. McLaurin, and arrived in Quebec on the 5th of June. The voyage home did much to restore her. The desire of her heart is to return to her loved work as soon as the Lord gives her the needful strength.

Miss Hatch arrived in Cocanada about Christmas time, and at once set to in earnest to learn the language, in which she has made good progress. She has been appointed in Miss Frith's place, in charge of the zenana

work, and reports

MISSION REPORT.

COCANADA, July 2nd, 1887.

To the Woman's Board of Foreign Mismons of Ontario:

DEAR SISTERIS,—Though you have not yet appointed me to the charge of the zenana work here, it has been given me for the present, and I shall give you a short report. Miss Frith will doubtless give a more detailed report on her arrival, as she still receives reports from the workers here. At present there are three Eurasian ladies and two natives engaged in the work; these have gone out nearly every day during the past half year, except during the month of May, when the heat is too great. Mrs. DeBeau was away during January and Mahallutchmi also did no work in January. Miss Frith had hoped that Amelia, Jonathan's wife, might be another worker, but she thinks family cares are too great for her to undertake it.

The women report plenty of houses to visit; a considerable interest taken by those whom they visit; an increased contempt of idol-worship, and a greater desire to know more about the true God.

The zenana house, which the ladies have so generously built, is very pretty, neat and coinfortable. I hope there may soon be two young ladies to occupy it. As I am the only one here at present, the missioniaries all thought it would be better that I should board with Mr. Craig at the mission house, and that Mr. Auvache should move into the zenana house. This they did, and I was well pleased with the arrangement, as my being-able to board leaves more time at my disposal. I believe there is still a small debt on the zenana house, but Mr. Craig will report concerning that.

As for myself, I may report that I have lived in four different places since I came, and had to move as many times, and I have had five different munshis, but I am glid to say that I have now settled down to one room, and one munshi, and I hope to remain settled for the coming year at least.

I attended the Bimlipatam Conference on first coming, which took up about two weeks of my time, and then I had an attack of fever, which lasted about two weeks. With these exceptions, I have been devoting my time

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wholly to studying the language which I find extremely interesting. As yet, I have not engaged in any other work, with the exception of meeting with the Bible women once a month or oftener, thinking it best to acquire the language as quickly as possible. So I have purposely left every thing alone until I can say, with some degree of confidence, that the Telugu tongue is mine. that once mine there need be, and will be, I hope, no lack of work. The immense amount of Christian work waiting to be done was the first thing that impressed me on my arrival here, and it is now constantly fooming up before me, but I shut my eyes to it. I study to be quiet and pursue that which, when once attained, will and must be of almost priceless value to me here, that is the language of the people. I say this because the temptation to begin work before acquiring the language is very great.

I have very much to thank God for in His care of me; my health on the whole has been excellent, and I have great hopes that I am going to endure well the heat and the changes of this trying climate.

May God bless you all my dear sisters, and may you very often remember me at a throne of grace, is the prayer of your sister in Christ.

S. ISABEL HATCH.

In one of Miss Hatch's letters she says. "The two Telugu workers report more work to be done than they can do. A welcome almost every where."

In August she writes "The native Bible women who are paid are Rebecca and Mahalutchini, and the other are Mary and Susannah to whom I give clothes only, out of my own money. They visit about twenty houses, and in order that I may receive their reports more intelligently, I have decided to go out once a week, visiting about two houses in an afternoon, until I see them all. Before going in the afternoon, I intend these women to meet with me and give me their report for the week, by this means I may attain to some knowledge of their work, which otherwise I could not attain, and at the same time be practising Telugu.

The Eurasian ladies who are engaged in work in Cocanada are, Mrs. DeBeau, Miss Gibson, Miss Priscilla Beggs. A few extracts from their reports to Miss Frith will give an idea of their work Mrs. DeBeau writes that in August she made forty-eight visits at twenty houses. "This month the usual round of visits has been made. proving successful and unsuccessful at times. Sometimes they will receive me kindly, but keep up such a talk, that it seems impossible to read. At such times I have to tell them the story of the chapter I had chosen for them. Had some interesting times at No. 8, the mother and daughter were much moved, and said they would like to look to the true God, and trust in Him as I did, but when I told them they must forsake their idols if they would make peace with God, their faces changed into disappointment; they would like the joy and peace, but because their men make music at the idol feasts, they would not forsake them. Some of the young women who have books given them read them even when I am not there. so I gave N. a Gospel of Matthew, which, her mother says, she reads to them at night. She can also sing several hymns by putting her own tunes to them. It made me very glad to hear the girl sing a beautiful hymn about Jesus' works while on earth. And all who were present listened with the greatest attention.

Miss Gibson reports thirty-three visits made in July at nineteen houses; twenty-five zenanas open. "In consequence of having so many I do not visit each house once a week, as we can seldom visit more than three in a day, to spend any length of time in each. An old woman in the Head's house, who is a great-grandmother, on hearing the story of the resurrection of Christ, was amazed and delighted, and commenced telling another woman about it as soon as she entered. I was called into a house, as I was passing by one day—the woman had heard me in a neighbor's house, and she asked me to sing a hymn. I took the opportunity of reading and speaking to her; she is always glad to hear these wonderful stories, as she calls them, and wanted to learn the name of Jesus.

"The young woman I mentioned in my last report, as rather anxious, I only managed to see once this month. It was rather late when I went to her house. and as usual men were present, I gave her a tract, "The Sinner's Friend," and said I would go away, but she seemed disappointed and asked, 'Won't you stay?' so I did. She seems to enjoy reading the Bible and is so interested in what she reads, that, unlike most of those that do read, she pauses and asks for an explanation. Thus we go on from day to day, sometimes cast down because of the indifference of the people, other times, encouraged to see how some are glad to hear the word. We can but sow. God must give the increase. "All that the Father sow, vod mate give in the increase. An that the rather thath given me shall come to me." In August forty-six visits made, twenty-eight houses visited. "Visited No. 21 (The Head's house), sung "Nothing but the blood of Jesus." Had the young woman read the 53rd of Isainh, and I spoke on it to the women (six in number). I questioned the girl on reading the verse "By His stripes we are healed," 'Where did Christ receive His wounds?' and she answered 'In His hands and feet,' showing she remembered what she had read some time back about the crucifixion. She is an intelligent girl and reads very fluently. I sang "I gave My life for thee," and left.
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"I then visited Madavarow's, found Lutchmama sitting down and threading a necklace and her little girls sewing, so I thought it was a good opportunity to read. I sang the same hynn as at the first house, and read the 53rd of Isaish, speaking on the verse "And we hid as it were our faces from Him," saying nothing satisfied the Lord Jesus for having suffered and died for us as when we accept His salvation; but when we hide our faces from Him, He feels the suffering over again. Lutchmama understood the point, and said, 'Yes, it must be so.'

"I then visited the old Sumbra woman—it was late, but she was shocked at me fearing she would not listen to-day. She listened very attentively, as she always does, while I sang a hymn, and then because she is always mourning over her want of good works or merit, I read from the bith of Romans, and told her she must trust the Lord Jesus to save her, and not try to save herself. She is loud in her praises of the just rule of the British and the care that Government takes for the health and comfort of the people. She has a very high opinion of Christ and Christians The want of accepting Christ herself, and the want of faith at this point is the trouble with her. She believes it is a matter of virtue. I quoted from the 1st of John, "not by flesh or blood" etc. She also enquired very kindly after Miss Frith, 'She won't leave us and stay at home, she will come back to India. She spoke lovingly of her.

"August 31st, visited No. 28. This is a new house, only been here once before, came here to-day because I could not get into the other two houses for the day—I found a large audience, some twelve women, at first there was but little interest shown, one woman offered me a girl for the Boarding School. She is about twelve or thirteen years of age, but a widow and has no relatives to claim her, she view on the charity of her neighbors. I said we would receive her, but I found out that the woman wanted to be

paid for her, so said no more about it; they are Carpoos by caste. I sang several hymns and read from the 44th of Isaiah, on idolatry. An old man and wife, who came rather late and wanted to hear me, were much interested in the story of salvation. The old woman was moved to tears, and the man much impressed as I told of what the Lord Jesus had suffered for man, and the old woman said. After we have worshiped idols so long, God has sent you to tell us this: He sent you or you would not have come. She is a poor ignorant-looking old woman, and I thought it wonderful to hear her talk thus. I sang "Jesus paid it all," and left. I then visited No 24; here I had been refused an audience when I came before, as the woman was busy preparing some grain. I told her that the welfare of her soul was of far more importance than her food, and read to her from the 10th of Luke, of the 'One thing needful.' I told her that God had given us a book, in which we could not learn how to make money, or get married, or any thing else that men think so important and necessary, but it was written for one end and one purpose, and in it we find the way to save our souls, and in the sight of God (who judges rightly), this was the most important thing. A young woman who was present and had never heard the word before wanted to know if I did not keep the idol feasts. I read a verse or two from the 44th Isaiah, and told her none but the ignorant, debased persons bowed to wood and stone, those whose manhood had been lost, and it was a gross sin in the sight of the true and only God.

"Above is the account of the first and last days work for the month of August. The intervening days have been as equally interesting, in some cases more so. Many have heard the message for the first time this month."

COCANADA GIRLS SCHOOL

Mrs Craig superintends this school On November 1st, Miss-Rachel Beggs entered upon her work, as matron Mr. Craig writes, "We have found Miss Beggs a great help in many ways, apart from caring for the girls and looking after their household arrangements, she has taught them sewing and has also given them lessons in the bible. At the last examination, in December, a grant of Rs. 243 was earned by the school, but this includes day scholars also. Boys as well as guls attend as day scholars. When we dismissed the school in June, we sent word to all parents and guardians, that in future a fee of four aunas a month would be collected towards current expenses for food, etc. Four annua means nine cents at the present rate of exchange. Some girls did not return, but those who did, brought their fee, and in many cases for two, three, four, and even six months This is a good beginning; we only hope it will be kept

VILLAGE SCHOOLS

The Secretary of the General Board has reported these so fully that we need only say about twenty have been kept up during the year, and nearly two hundred boys and girls have been taught in them.

BIBLE WOMEN

Beside those mentioned by Muss Hatch as working in Cocanada, in Akidu, Anna has been doing good work among the caste people; In Funi and the neighboring villages, Hannah, Martha, Atchmanna, Chinnamma and Aumana, who is now ill, have labored faithfully. And in Samalcotta, Minnio, who is teacher of the student's wives and children, has during vacation, been doing the work of a Bible woman; she was one of the first pupils

in the Cocanada boarding school and was supported by Mrs. Carter, of Port Colborne.

In presenting this very imperfect record of the year's work, we desire very heartily to thank the Associational Directors, the Circles, and most important of all, the collectors, for their cheerful assistance in this most blessed work, and bespeak their still more liberal help in the coming year, so that as the way opens up in India we women of Ontario may be behind none in taking possession of the land in the name of King Jesus.

Respectively submitted,

JANE BUCHAN.

Recording Secretary's Eleventh Annual

Report of the Woman's Baptist, Foreign Missionacy Society of Ontario, 1886-87.

The past year has been an eventful one from the standpoint of the changes which have taken place on our field, and also if we consider the important meetings held by your Board from time to time. These meetings have numbered in all six, with an average attendance of over eleven, and on soveral occasions a large proportion of those mable to be present sent us their opinion of the business to be transacted by letter; so that in the decisions now to be laid before you, you find—not an idea emanating from one or two members in Toronto, but from many minds in various parts of the Province, as the wishes of the absent, when expressed, had fully as much weight as the desires of those present.

At the first meeting of the new Board, held at Hamilton, October 15th, 1886, the principal business was the examination of the estimates. The total amount for our Board was \$2950, while the Convention East undertook

work to the amount of \$1035.

Last year we listened with great pleasure to a report from our Foreign Corresponding Secretary; this year, at Mrs. Humphrey's own request, the work was handed over to Miss Buchan, as the formation of Associational Societies had greatly relieved the work of the Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Buchan had greater facilities for such work

A request from the General Board to send a delegation from our Board to sit in conference with them at their Quarterly Meetings, was accepted most unanimously, and we appointed as our representatives, Mrs. Castle and Mrs. Freeland.

At the January meeting, it was decided that, should the General Board so advise our delegates, they were authorized to send some help towards the Rest House (I suppose you all know what that is), which the missionaries had almost built themselves, but found they required some assistance from home to finish. In accordance with these instructions and after corresponding with the Convention East, our Tressurer remitted \$140 and the Montreal Board \$60, making \$200 in all

Our Treasurer felt obliged to tender her resignation, through press of work, but the Board induced her to remain on the following terms. That she select some assistant, who should go to her house once a week or oftener, to go through the letters received during the week, and that she need not open them till that time. We were all very happy to hear from Mrs. Elliott, at our next meeting, that she had found an efficient assistant in Miss Latch, a member of the Bloor St. Church, Toronto, and that this plan was working very well. So we still have her with us.

But at this meeting in April, our treasured Mission Band Secretary sent in her resignation, and your Board felt compelled to accept it. Mrs. McGregor was appointed in her stead, but she did not feel that she had time to give to the work. After some time of confusion, Mrs. Dadson very kindly undertook the work till the end of the year.

At this Quarterly Meeting in April, we received word from Miss Hatch, that Miss Frith had started home with Mr. and Mrs. McLaurin, to recuperate, and to-day we have the pleasure of seeing her in our midst, already much better. This letter from Miss Hatch urged the sending out of another missionary to take Miss Frith's work at the head of the Zenana Mission, and the appointment of a Medical Missionary was again urged upon the Board.

Three applications were read; after prolonged thought and discussion the Board could not arrive at any decision, and decided to call a special meeting for the next week, to have a personal interview with Miss Mary G. Buchan. At this meeting Mrs. Timpany was present, and her assistance, in the matter of explaining the requisite qualities for a leader of Zenana work, was invaluable. Miss Buchan answered all questions put to her with great candour. After she had been requested to withdraw, the Board decided that she be asked to take a year's course in Theology at McMaster Hall, and that at the end of this course we would recommend her to the General Board for appointment.

This did not answer Miss Hatch's request that a missionary be sent out immediately, therefore it was thought that some further mention of our need be made, and this brought out some more applications, which were considered at a special meeting held June 25th. The first application considered was that of Miss Alexander, Toronto, Dover Court Road Church; letters from absent members of the Board were read, and the feeling was altogether favorable to accepting Miss Alexander as a Zenana worker. The motion to recommend her to the General Board for appointment was carried unanimously. Two other applications were read, but as no other Zenana missionary was asked for, these applications were set aside.

At this meeting, Miss Buchan was authorized to write to the Montreal Board relative to refunding to Miss Frith her travelling expenses home, and also to find out their opinion as to a home allowance for her.

A special meeting was held September 6th, at which Miss Frith's report as to her work in India up to date of departure was read. Also, a statement of her expenses home, which amounted to about \$300-a little less than that—and that that was for a two months' journey, as on account of ill-health she was obliged to travel slowly, and besides she had extra luggage. Her quarter's salary had arrived after she left, and she suggested that that be applied toward repaying Mr. Craig, from whom she had been obliged to borrow funds, the remainder of the debt to Mr. Craig would be about \$72, and Miss Frith thought \$100 had best be sent, the remainder to buy a new "push-push" for the Zenana workers, as the old one was very shabby. This was decided upon, but that it should be specified for what purpose the extra money was sent. No answer having been received as yet from the Montreal Board, the question of Miss Frith's home allowance was allowed to wait. A most cordial answer in relation to Miss Alexander was read from the Convention East, in which they most feelingly expressed their pleasure in our choice, and stated their readiness to share half the traveling expenses and salary, but that they did not feel able with present obligations to contribute towards the outfit. A further request of 8500, for the completion of the Board. Mr. Craig stated that the reasons of this further demand were unusually wet weather, and his frequent absence on tours, by which he was compelled to employ an overseer, no other missionary being there to do that, and as no very competent overseer can be found there, the work had suffered in consequence. It was decided to send this money in the form of a special cheque, and that that must include all expenses.

The question of a Medical Missionary was next opened for discussion. Four applications have been received, of these, two are still under consideration.

A request from Miss Hatch, that she be formally appointed to the oversight of the Zenana workers till Miss Alexander should be ready to take charge, was granted.

This closes a year full of events. In these decisions we have trusted not in our own wisdom, but to that of the all-wise God.

The following ladies have become life-members during the year: —Mrs. Thos. Couch, Guelph; Mrs. Moor, College St. Circle, Toronto: Mrs. Mills, Parliament St. Circle, Toronto: Mrs. Elmore Harris, Bloor St. Circle, Toronto: Mrs. Chas. Stark, Bloor St. Circle, Toronto: Mrs. Chas. Stark, Bloor St. Circle, Toronto: Mrs. Hallam, Dundas: Mrs. Lowis Beneelict, Brantford, Mrs. Bone, St. Catharines: Miss Jane Randall, Paris: Mrs. Carryor and Mrs. Hatch, Woodstock; Mrs. Welter, St. Thomas.

From the large number of Circles formed this year, it is evident that the Associational Directors have done their work thoroughly, and also that, throughout the province, the interest of Baptists in Foreign Mission-work is in creasing; but we are yet far from our goal—there are still many who do not take any part in this vast work let us therefore resolve, as we begin this year, that each one of us will try to induce some one else, not only to give money, but to take an active part in the work of the Circle to which we may belong.

Let us take to heart this promise,

" in, I am with you alway, even the end."

Respectfully submitted,

VIOLET ELLIOT.

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Mrs. J. J. Bates' name has had to be dropped on account of the ruling that no Associational Directors shall be a member of either Board.

Miss Ellis has decided that she cannot accept the office of Recording-Secretary.

Belimates for the Year 1887-88, passed by the Central Board at their Meeting at Aylmer.

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Reports from Associations.

WINNIPEO. -The report of the Women's Mission Circle of the Winnipeg Baptist Church, for the year ending June 30th. The object of our Circle is to raise money for both Foreign and Home Missions The Society had the following officers. —Mrs. A. A. Cameron, Pres. Mrs. J. B. McArthur, 1st Vice-Pres.; Mrs. H. S. Westbrook, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Mrs. C. W. Clarke, Sec.; Mrs. Wm. Poole, Press. There were 36 copies of the Link taken. Our membership was 82, which was an increase of 34 over last year. Our regular meetings were held on the first Tuesday of each month, there were fourteen meetings held, with an average attendance of over 16. business was transacted, there was a short programme of readings and music of a missionary character, which added much to the interest. The receipts from all sources were 8187.90; \$50 of this amount was appropriated to Foreign Missions, and the remainder to Home. Our pressing needs for Home Missions is the cause of the discrepancy in favor of them, between the appropriation to the two works.

M. E. CLARK, Sec.

MIDDLERK AND LABITON ASSOCIATION. -In presenting our report, we have to regret the removal of our esteemed secretary, Mrs Friend, to California. We have lost an efficient and devoted worker in the cause of missions. During the year the work has not progressed as rapidly as we could desire, but there is still much to encourage. Some Circles are working with earnest purpose under discouraging circumstances, and need sympathy and help. Only three new ones have been organized since last October, at Plympton Tp., 'Alvinston and Brooke. We regret that reports have not been received from them. Three bands have also

been organized at let and 2nd Lobo, and Mount Brydges. There are still several of the smaller churches in our Association where Ciroles have not been formed, but we hope an effort will be made during the year to do so. Also, that more of the Ciroles will take up the Home Mission work and endeavor to organize Bands, as the young people are the future hope of our mission work. We have now 24 Foreign Mission Circles, 18 Home Mission and 8 Bands. The amount raised during the year for

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Mission Bands				 				102	11	

MRS. PORTER, Sec. pro. tem.

BRANT ANNOTATION.—We are glad to report progress in both Home and Foreign Missions. There are eleven Circles, all of which contribute to both Home and Foreign Missions. Nine Circles have raised for

Home Missions Foreign Missions							
Total							8623 20

Five Bands, three of these have raised \$118. Total reported for Circles and Bands, 8741.29. In November, a Home and Foreign Mission Circle was organized in Park Church, Brantford. The membership has increased to twenty, with an average attendance of half the members at the monthly meetings. Westover Circle re-organized in June. Membership increased to twenty: meetings held regularly, well attended, and full of interest. Burtch reports an increase of \$40.50 in amount raised. Dundas an increase of \$77.30. Jerseyville Circle has not been holding meetings for some time to the great regret of two or three of the members. On writing to the pastor, he promised to try and do something to revive the interest. On the whole steady progress is being made.

MIDLAND COUNTIES ASSOCIATION .- During the year just closed, two Circles (Edmonton and Acton) combining Home and Foreign work, and one Circle (Georgetown) for Foreign work in connection with Home already existing, were organized. Three Mission Bands have also been organized (Edmonton, Acton and East Flamboro'). have now eleven Home and Foreign Circles, and eight Mission Bands. Georgetown Foreign Circle and East Flamboro' Band were organized in September, and have contributed nothing as yet Edmonton and Acton, organnzed about six months ago, are just getting nicely to work and have contributed small sums. Reports have not been received from St. Mary's, and eight Circles have contributed for Home Missions, 8149.82; and for Foreign, \$174.75; from seven Mission Bands. \$100.38; making a total of \$425.13. An increase over last year in the amount raised is noticed in nearly all the reports. Leaflets have been supplied to the Circles, and meetings have been held regularly. It is expected that more work in the way of organizing will be done shortly. Some of the Circles have held open meetings from time to time, for the purpose of bringing our work under the notice of the uninterested. Through the efforts of the Circles in three churches in this Association, one praver meeting in every month is given up to prayer for, and the study of missions. There is a growing desire for Missionary information, and to make it possible for all to gratify that desire, and for the purpose of extending it also, we

are taking advantage of Mechanics' Institute Libraries within our bounds. For the information of others, we might mention that some of the best and newest works on missions have lately been placed in some of these libraries, and in some places steps are being taken to secure books in this way.

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REMARKS.—We believe the year has been one of progress, for which we give thanks to our Father, but we also recognize the fact that we have made but a beginning. We look forward to the time when every church in this Association shall be filled with the spirit of missions, which, says one, "is the spirit of Christ."

MAGGIR McKechnie, Asson Director

EAST ONTARIO ASSOCIATION -- There are 33 churches represented in this Association, and in 22 of these churches there are Women's Mission Circles; also a Circle in Menie, which is a mission station in connection with Campbellford church, making 23 Circles in the Association. The Circle in Menie deserves special mention, as the members are all in one family, who contribute regularly to Missions. There have been six new Circles organized during the past year, namely .-- Manilla, Brook, Stirling, Goodwood, Warsaw and Haldimand, the latter having or ganized since our Annual Associational Meeting at Colborne, in June, 1887. In some of the remaining churches it seems impossible to organize Circles at present, as the sisters are so scattered. In some other places the interest in mission work is very weak, but we trust that the time is not far distant, when all will be actively engaged in furthering the cause. The tracts and leaflets given for distribution, have been freely circulated, and proved a help to the young and weaker Circles. In the smaller and weaker churches, the proportion of women who are members of the Circles, is greater than in the larger churches. Goodwood and Menie are the only Circles where the LINE is not taken. Stirling, Warsaw and Menie are the only Circles where they devote their efforts and means exclusively to Home Missions. Belleville, Goodwood, Port Hope, Lakefield, Uxbridge and Haldimand have only Foreign Circles, while Baillieboro', Brooklin, Brock. Campbellford, Claremont, Cramaho, Lindsay, Manilla, Oshawa, Peterboro', Port Perry, Smith Line, Sunderland and Whitby have Home and Foreign Circles combined. Five of these Circles divide their money equally, while four give more to Foreign work, and five more to Home Missions. Six Bands have done much good work during the year

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TORONTO ASSOCIATION.—There are 37 churches in this Association, 24 of which have Circles, namely:—Aurora, Collingwood, Ebobicoke, Eversley, Josephine, 2nd King, 2nd Markham, Minesing, Orillia, Port Arthur, Schomberg, Stayner, Stouffville, York Mills, and the Toronto churches, Alexander st., Beverley st., Bloor st., College st., Dovercourt rd., Jarvis st., Lewis st., Parkdale, Parliament st. and Queen st. Nineteen of these churches have Home and Foreign Circles, the remaining five

Foreign only. Only eighteen Foreign Mission Circles have reported as follows:

Total number of women in the churches. 1643
Total number of women contributing... 731
Total amount raised during the year... 8879 22
Above does not include the churches in Aurora

The above does not include the churches in Aurors, Josephine Minesing, Orillia and Port Arthur. Twelve Home Mission Circles have reported as follows:—

Total number of women in the charches. 1250
Total number of women contributing.... 558
Total amount raised during the year... 8847 55

The above does not include the churches at Aurora, Orillia, Port Arthur, Schomberg and Stouffville. The churches not included have Circles in good working order, but have not reported. One very pleasing feature in connection with the smaller churches, is the very large proportion of the membership who are contributors to Missions, in this respect they are far ahead of the larger churches.

Walkerton Association.—There are in this Association sixteen Circles, three of these—Glammis, Palmerston and Listowel—have been organized during the past year Ten Circles—Attwood, Harriston, Glammis, Kincardine, Listowel, Mount Forest, South Arthur, Tiverton, Walkerton and Wingham—unite both Home and Foreign work. Palmerston does Home work exclusively, and Teeswater does Foreign work exclusively. There are 187 contributors to the Foreign Mission Fund, and 177 to the Home Mission Fund. Amount raised during the year for Foreign work, \$167.98; amount raised during the year for Home work, \$93.72; number of Links taken, 87. As the Palmerston and Listowel Circles have been but recently organized, they have no financial report this year. The majority of the churches in this Association are Mission churches. Many of them are very weak, still there is much to be done in the way of increasing:

(1) The number of Circles.

(2) The number of members of Circles already organized.

(3) The circulation of the Link.

We would ask the prayers of the Convention for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on this part of the field.

FANNY M. STOVEL. Director.

OWEN SOUND ASSOCIATION. -Our Association was divided last summer, and now we have only six Circles in our Association. The delegates gave very encouraging reports of their work at our last meeting. Last spring there was a Circle organized in Durham; they are meeting regularly every month. There are several churches which have not been visited, although they have been written to, they do not appear to be interested enough to make an effort to organize. I have no doubt if they could be visited by some one and have their duty plainly laid before them, they would willingly do something. The director for last year moved away about a year ago, and the lady appointed for this year found she could not attend to the work and sent the papers to me. I tried to get some one to take it, but failed. On account of sickness I have been able to do very little, but will try to have something done during the winter. Our Circle in Paialey is in a prosperous condition; our meetings are very well attended, and the interest in the work greater than ever before. We held a basket meeting in Soptember, which we all enjoyed very much. I do not know that I can call this a report, where has been so little done, but I hope we will be able to give a good report next year of work done for the Master.

MRS. J. C. McDONALD.

NIAGARA ASSOCIATION. -- In this Association there are seven Mission Circles, one of them, Nugara Falls South, having been organized this year. There are also two strong Mission Bands at St. Catharines and Beamsville, and Port Colborne is about organizing one. The total amount raised during the year is \$101 16 for Home, and 8171.83 for Foreign. Total, 8272 99 Our Annual Meeting at Grimaby, in June, proved very interesting and profitable. The churches do not respond cordially to our asking them to organize, or to allow us to organize among them, and some have not even acknowledged our communications regarding it. I cannot believe this is from actual hostility to the work, but from an imperfect idea of what is to be done, and the impression that it would necessarily weaken the work connected with their churches. But as the condition of the smaller churches in this district has commenced to improve. I have a hope that they will soon make up to their duty in this work. I find in most cases that the interest taken by the ladies of the churches in mission work, depends largely on the sympathy shown by the pastors towards it

M. E. Robertson, Director

Western Association.—Since the Convention held in June, 1887, Circles (Home and Foreign) have been formed at Kingsville, Blytheswood and Essex Centre, also a Mission Band at Woodslee. During that time the Dresden Circle has disbanded, the members thinking their Home Mission work must be confined to their own church They still promise to do something for Foreign Missions, but, I understand, not as a "Circle." Previous to June, Circles were formed in Ridgetown and Palmyra, and a Mission Band in Ridgetown.

Annie S. Ballaidi, Director

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT.

[We hope our boys and girls appreciate the special favors they have been having lately in this department from our missionaries, who have written such interesting and instructive letters especially to them. The older people, too, will find them equally interesting to them.—ED.]

Cocanada Girls' Boarding School.

(Continued from November No.)

24. K. Gnanavati is the daughter of K. Charles, who was one of the teachers in the Seminary for a time. She is a tall girl about seventeen years of age, and was in the school nearly two years. She left a few weeks agwithout permission, so will not be received again.

25. R. Sarah is an orphan from Artamuru on the Akidu field, and has been in achied ever since the Mission School was started at Akidu. She is about eighteen years of age, and one of the largest girls we have, but not one of the

most studious, as she is still in the 2nd class.

26 N. Shantamma is the only girl from Murumanda who did not return after the holidays in July. She was

here for four years, having come in 1883.

27. S. Leah is the daughter of James, a weaver at Geddenapilli, on the northern part of the Cocanada field She came in January, 1884, and was baptized that same year. She is a quiet, pleasant-looking girl, rather small for her age, and was promoted last Christmas. 28. M. Leah is from Muramanda, and entered the

28. M. Leah is from Muramanda, and entered the school in May, 1883, when eleven years old. She has a mother and younger brother and sister, but the father died some time ago. She was baptized by Mr. Timpans shortly before his death.

29. M. Karnamma is a relative of Proacher Venkatawami, and was adopted by him when very young. He father is dead, and her mother and older sister are stilheathens. She is now about ten, and has been in the school for nearly four years, but is one of the few whhas not yet put on Christ by baptism.

30. D. Lydis is the daughter of Dahliah, a preacher a Chinniahpalem on the Tuni field. Two of her brothers J. Pal Das and Amrutilal, were students at the Seminary She is now eleven years old, has been in the school four years, and is not a member of the church.

31. P. Keturah was from Muramanda, and attended our school three years. Last Christmas she was promoted to the 3rd class, and in January was married to Kondish, a widower, much older than herself; but they had both been Madigas, and it is astonishing how caste still clings to them, even after they become Christians, making them unwilling to marry outside of their own particular class. They are now living at Tanta Konda on the Tuni field.

32. A. Miriam belongs to the Cocanada field, has been here for five years, and is now about thirteen. Her parents are living, and her brother Venkataswami is a Seminary student. She is a quiet, steady girl, but not very clever.

33. N. Martha has a short, and story. Coming here an orphan, after being with us only seven months, was taken ill and died suddenly of hemorrhage last March. This records the first break in the ranks by death, but we rejoice to know that she is now with Him whom she loved. She was about fifteen, the tallest of all our girls, and a niece of Muramanda Peter.

34. D. Shantamma is a tall, slight girl of sixteen, goodnatured and very tender-hearted. She was from a village near Akidu, and was in school for over two years, but did not return after vacation, and we have just heard that she has been lately married to a Christian in her own

village.

35. P. Amelia is a little lame girl from Ganapavaram on the Akidu field. When quite young her ankle was broken, and her parents neglecting to have it attended to, she has been lame ever since, and sometimes suffers great pain. She came here in March, 1884, and is now about thirteen. Miss Muir's sister in the North-West has supported her for some time.

36. S. Ratnavati, the daughter of a farmer at Artamuru, is rather a clever little girl of ten, and has been in the school nearly three years. Her brother Meshach is one of the Seminary boys. The Sharpe boys, of Winnipeg,

have undertaken her support.

37. N. Anna is an orphan about fifteen years of age. When her father, a soldier, died at Vizagapatam, she was taken by an East Indian family as a servant and brought to Cocanada. They left here at night, but did not take Anna with them, and soon afterwards she was found by a native Christian woman, brought to the Mission House, and received into the school, where she has been for more than two years. Her baptism took place after we came. The Beamsville Band have taken a deep interest in their girl, sending money to buy a teak box and brass dish, which she was longing to possess, and also to have her photo taken, which has been sent to them.

38. D. Satyavédam has not returned since the holidays, although she belongs to a village only three miles from Cocanada. She entered the school in 1884, when eight

years old, and was baptized in 1886.

39. K. Rhoda is a dear little girl of nine, and daughter of K. Charles. She was with us only a year, for when Gnanavati left, she took her little sister with her. miss her bright eyes and smiling face, and would be very

glad to see her back again.
40. V. Miriam, or "Little Miriam," as she was always called, is another bright little girl. Her father is one of the teachers on the Akidu field, and Joseph at Akidu is her uncle. She is not here this term, but we hope to see her after Christmas. I recommended her to the Brockville Band, but have not heard yet whether they have

41. G. Esther, a little widow of nine, is from Madavaraidupalem on the Akidu field. She came to us in August of last year, and in November her husband died. He was a brother of G. Mary, and became a Christian some

time after his marriage.

42. T. Mary is a sister of Miriam and Sundramms She is older than Sundramma, but has been in school only a year, which accounts for her being in the 1st class. When only four or five years old, she was married to a cousin, who is still a heathen, and has married another wife.

43. G. Gangamma, named after the sacred (7) River Ganges, or Ganga, changed her name to Salome when she came to school a year ago. She is from Lingampadu on

the Akidu field, but has not come back this term.

44. M. Anna, the daughter of Daniel, the preacher at Lingampadu, has been here for a year, and is about twelve years old. When very young she was married to a heathen, who is still living.

45. G. Mary is a clever, bright-looking girl of eleven, and is a sister-in-law of G. Esther. She, too, is from Madavaraidupalem, and has been in the school only a

46. A. Ruth is a younger sister of Tumar and Rhods, and about eleven years of age. She came in August of

last year, and is doing very well.

47. S. Venkamma was in the school for two or three months last year, but being ill the most of the time, was sent home. Not long ago, she was married to Bangaru, one of the Seminary students.

48 K. Susanna, whose name was formerly Mallamma, is the caste girl of whom Mr. Currie wrote shortly before his death. She was here for a year, but has not returned since the holidays, and we have heard that she was soon

to be married.

There are also four new girls this term. K. Ratnavati, T. Darmavati and K. Anna are all from Malakmahammadpuram on the Akidu field. They are three bright. attentive little girls of eleven or twelve, and were baptized by Mr. Craig a few months ago, when he was out

D Péramma, the daughter of Malliah, a preacher at Nanduru on the Tuni field, is about ten years old.

A. S. CRAIG.

Mission House, Cocanada, Oct. 14th, 1887.

In One Week.

My dear Young People .- Of what I have seen and heard this week I write you. -It being Saturday, I have a little more leisure, for, like you, my young friends, I take a holiday from books and school. My school, however, consists only of one teacher, called a munshi, and one pupil, and the only subject taught is How to read, write and speak Telugu. You are punished sometimes for talking in school, but here the more talking a pupil does the better is munshi pleased, but the talking must all be in Telugu.

Now, I did not begin this letter to tell you about learning Telugu, but of other things. First, you would probably have been much interested in seeing the tigers I saw, as I drove through the street to church on Sunday; you might have been disappointed, for when you saw them you would have found out that they were not tigers at all, but men, all painted-hands, face, arms, legs and body-with hideous broad stripes of red, yellow, black and white paint. These men had long tails fastened to their bodies, and two or three men were holding these up, having in their hands long sticks lighted at the ends. What do you think this was for ? Well, a long time ago, when the Mahometans were fighting their enamies, the tigers came and delivered them. So every year these people have a great feast, celebrating their deliverance by the tigers.

Monday evening we went out to see a big procession of

the Hindoos, a different class of people from the Mahom-Crowds of people were gathered near the tank, and as ten or a dozen men were standing on either side of the road, the place being cleared between them, a huge elephant came walking majestically along; no, I should not say walking, for he was being carried on men's shoulders. Here, again, it was not a real elephant, but one made of bamboos and padded with straw, a great big fellow, almost like Jumbo, had an immense trunk, which he seemed to move up and down very easily, also large ears, which kept flapping to and fro, that altogether at a distance, and through the torchlight and moonlight, we might almost think he was an elephant. His dress was very fine, of scarlet and gold, and on his back was a gay tinsel chariot box, in which two men sat. After a little the great thing came to a standstill, and these two men handed out a cocoa nut, which they called their God, and also the branch of a tree. What they did-With the cocoanut we did not see, but the branch was taken, planted close by the tank, then cut, and the leaves were picked and given to the people who were eager for them. Some of these leaves were brought to me which I keep as a curiosity, and also a large leaf in which was written, so it was told me, "O, Siva! O, Siva! save us from our sins and deliver us from our enemies! Who looks upon the the leaves of this tree in this day will receive the above After seeing a Brahmin kneeling down beside the tank saying 'mantrams,' or prayers for the people who were bringing him rice, curries and fruits, we came away. There were six or seven other such elephants in different processions in the town, but we did not see

On Wednesday, a little Brahmin boy seven years old came to see me. A smart little fellow, could say a, b, c's in English, and the English months of the year, also a number of Telugu verses and the multiplication table, etc. He told me of his relatives that he had, of his one brother and his betrothed wife! Yes, a boy seven years old really engaged to be married.

Thursday, as I was giving Munshi a little medicine for a cold: "I must look toward the east while taking it," he "Why?" said I. "Because," said he, "if I look toward the south there is the king of hell and he would sometime seize me, or towards the west, there is the king of the sea, and he would sometime drown me, and so I look toward the south, where the king of wealth is; or toward the east, where the king of heaven is.

There are many other things I might tell you of what I have seen and heard this week, but I know you don't like long letters, so I close.

I leave you to draw your own morals, my friends, and see to it that you are not doing honor to such things as tigers, elephants and trees, instead of to the true God, and that you are not looking this way and that for blessing, instead of into the face of our Lord Jesus Christ. S. I. HATCH.

Cocanada, Oct. 1, 1887.

WOMAN'S BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ONTARIO.

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