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## SUBJECTS FOR PRAYER.

### JANUARY.

For the baptism of the Holy Spirit as a necessary qualification for service. *Zechariah iv. 6; Acts i. 8.*

For the plenteous operation of the Holy Spirit in respect to our work—that the field may be prepared. *Proverbs xvi. 1.*

SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE READINGS.—*Isaiah xlv. 20-22; Matt. xxv. 41-46.*

## INDIAN WORK.

From Miss S. Hart.

PORT SIMPSON, B.C., Nov. 15th, 1892.

I rejoice that I have such good news to tell you of the spiritual state of the girls, as well as the wonderful things the Lord is doing in our midst. I think all those that can understand right from wrong are truly converted, and the change in the lives of the children is marked, with some the work has been deep. It is such a joy. But how much wisdom we need to guide them aright now. Regular ser-

VICES are held nightly, and the interest steadily increases; some of the most hardened men in the village have been converted, and the work among the young men and women is wonderful. There is still much to be done. May the Lord break down every barrier that hinders His work. May we not expect great things as the result of this blessed revival?

The doctor and family are nicely settled in the hospital and have three patients in the house.

We are beginning our Christmas preparations and practising, but being out every night interferes very much with this, as well as our regular work, for when the girls are out so late at night they cannot get up so early, and I have thought it best to attend the services regularly. We have a prayer-meeting for the little ones before their bedtime. They are all so earnest. May this be the beginning of brighter days for the Home.

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From Miss Spence.

PORT SIMPSON, *Nov. 16th, 1892.*

We have moved into our new hospital and have made things as comfortable as possible. Our furnishings are meagre, but we are making the best possible use of what we have. We have a very good supply of bedding, but pillows are very much needed, also sheets, pillow-cases, towels, night-dresses, and night-shirts. On the 14th inst. we received two barrels of beautiful bedding from the St. Mary's Auxiliary. We are now in the midst of a great revival, I think the like of it has not been felt in this place for years. On Sabbath evening twelve came out on the Lord's side, and every night there are conversions. The natives are interesting themselves in the work of saving souls. A number of them visit the homes and hospitals for the purpose of holding prayer-meetings with the inmates. On Saturday the doctor discharged a patient who had just recovered from a serious operation; before leaving the ward, the patient held a prayer-meeting with those he was leaving, and exhorted them to put their trust in Jesus. The prospect for the work is very encouraging. As the people are coming home for the winter, Dr. Bolton's work is increasing; it is quite a

common thing for him to be called out several times during the night to visit the sick. Dr. Bolton has performed some difficult operations, and with God's help they have all proved a success. There are so many surgical cases and gunning accidents—we have had three such cases since September, and one serious case in the hospital at present. Hoping our dear friends in the east will not forget to pray for Dr. Bolton's work on the Pacific coast.

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From Miss Freston.

KOFU, Oct. 4th, 1892.

We are trying to get an entrance into the silk factories to talk to the women, but so far have been unsuccessful. The great difficulty is the Sabbath question. If the women became Christians, they would be obliged to keep the Sabbath, and that would mean loss of money. In this factory there are two hundred hands employed, working from 5 a.m., to 7 p.m., the very best never making more than 30 sen per day, and that is a rare price, an ordinarily good hand making only about 25 sen (about 19 cents of our money). They seem to have no regular holiday except as something occurs at the factory to necessitate it, and the factory runs for nine or ten months out of the year. At this one they reel about \$300 worth of silk in a day, and to keep the Sabbath means money loss to both employer and employee. Should the employer, on the one hand, close the mill on the Sabbath, the hands who live from hand to mouth would look elsewhere for employment; and, on the other hand, the employer would not like to forego, for the sake of keeping the Sabbath, the profit of even one employee's work.

K—, the young woman we met at the mill, and formerly one of our students, brought me the decision, and after a talk on this Sunday question, we turned to personal subjects. Her parents have worked their way up from a small beginning to their present position by dint of hard work, integrity and courtesy to others. According to the standard that passes current in the world, they are fine, upright people. K— herself has been well trained, taught to be obedient to her parents and faithful to her husband. Her parents and her husband are well satisfied with her conduct,

so when she displayed an interest in Christianity, they said to her, "you are upright in conduct, and you don't need Christianity." She came to church once recently and her husband didn't like it very well, telling her if she must be a Christian, to be one without mingling with them. He also said there might arise occasions when she could not obey him—the keeping of the Sabbath is a case in point—and there would then be lack of harmony between them. Now he has forbidden her to go at all to church. This is but one out of many instances I might quote of difficulties that retard us in our work.

Gleams of sunshine alternate with cloud. Mrs. ——— is rejoicing with joy unspeakable these days. At the time she became a Christian, she was considering the question of leaving her husband on account of his evil ways. Since then, she has been trying to lead him to her Saviour, and for some time now he has been an earnest inquirer, and has decided to become a Christian. Often as I have been at Mrs. ———, I never met him there until at a recent meeting I held in their home; they sat side by side with their servants around them. It was, indeed, a happy sight. Formerly he let the burden of the dairy work fall on Mrs. ———, but this summer when she was away for her health, he urged her to stay longer and willingly took the full burden of the work upon himself.

We are trying to find ways to reach non-Christian women who do not go to church, and who know nothing or little of Christianity. Such homes we want to visit, but prefer not to go where we have had no sort of connection whatever with them. With the object of opening the way to such homes, we are now holding evening meetings once a week in the homes of our Christian women—non-Christians in the neighborhood are invited, and so far, the new plan has been a decided success. At our last meeting we had five or six women present, not one of whom, as far as I know, has ever seen the inside of the church. The Christians attend, too, and the meeting do them good.

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## PRAYER CARD STUDY.

SUGGESTED SCRIPTURE READINGS.—*Psalm xlv; Ephesians iii. 14-21.*

## SUBJECTS FOR PRAYER.

## FEBRUARY.

For the French work. (1) The Committee of Management, (2) the teachers and pupils, (3) the Roman Catholic Church in Canada and elsewhere, that the light of God's Word may penetrate her darkest recesses and purge away her errors. *John i. 4; John iii. 36.*

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It is not generally known that among the earliest French Colonists who came to settle in this country over two centuries ago, were several Huguenot families, but that these by cruel and persistent persecution were driven out. Had they been suffered to remain, there is no doubt but that the proportion of French Protestants to Roman Catholics to-day in the Province of Quebec would be far larger than the census returns of one to one hundred.

Two leading French newspapers recently put "under the ban" by the Archbishop of Montreal, and the controversy resulting therefrom, have indicated the fact that a breach is widening between the more educated adherents of the Church of Rome and the hierarchy.

In the United States we see prominent ecclesiastics of the Church of Rome so opposed to each other that papal interference has to be sought to reconcile the belligerents.

Who can tell but what even now there is being educated in some of our mission schools the Luther who shall, in this land, be a leader among the people and free them from the bondage of the Vatican.

Now is the time for the united Church of God to "look forth as the morning, fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners."

Fifty years of seed-sowing in the Province of Quebec have not been in vain—already some fruit is seen. The estimated number of French-Canadian Protestants in Canada and the United States is to-day put at from 40,000 to 50,000.

Shall we not then multiply our agencies, be prepared to enter every open door, and especially give ourselves much to prayer, that "the Spirit may be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest" (*Isa. xxxii. 15*).

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### REVIEW OF USEFUL LEAFLETS.

**Why are we Protestants?**—A series of seven papers on the errors of Romanism, by Mrs. C. Ross, now published in an attractive form as a booklet. As we read this little book we wonder how many could give an intelligent answer to the question, Why are we Protestants? As Protestants, we are supposed to protest against the errors of the Romish Church, but we fear that the number is comparatively small who have more than a hazy idea of what those errors are. Some of the teachings are that the Virgin Mary is the "refuge and salvation of every creature, the mediator between God and man, the entire ground of hope, receiving and saving all who take refuge under her mantle,"—that "the eucharist is the body and blood, soul and divinity of Jesus Christ under the appearance of bread and wine, and those are accursed who say that Christ is eaten in a spiritual manner only,"—that "Protestants all die in their sins and are damned,"—that "the Pope is, as it were, God and the voice of God, king of kings, above all angels, so if the angels could err, they could be excommunicated by the Pope." Those who read of these things, of the evils

of the confessional, and of the extortion practised as a result of the doctrine of purgatory, will realize that we are not half the "Protestants" we should be, and will be awakened to the importance of the work among our Roman Catholic fellow-countrymen, so that all our Dominion may be won for our Lord and His Christ. Price, 5 cents.

**Silver Basins of a Second Sort**—A touching little story of a young English girl who rebelled against the "eternal round of commonplaceness and mediocrity." The hymn, "Oh! to be Nothing, Nothing," found no echoing chord in her. She wanted to be "a golden vessel for the Master's use made meet," but through the influence of her saintly invalid mother, she became content to be "a silver basin of a second sort" (Ezra i. 10), kept bright to reflect her Saviour's love. After her mother's place in the home was left vacant, a comforted father, a reclaimed brother, and countless deeds of self sacrifice and love proved that she had become "pure gold, tried in the fire and burnished." Price, 2 cents.

**One Hundred Questions and Answers for Juvenile Mission Bands**—A leaflet which will be found invaluable by those engaged in missionary work among the children, as information concerning the needs of the heathen world, and the work that is being done by our society, is given in a concise and interesting way. Although published especially for Mission Bands, this leaflet might be used to advantage by Circles and Auxiliaries. Price, 5 cents each; 30 cents per dozen.

#### From the Supply Committee.

The Committee desire to thank the Auxiliaries and Mission Bands for their promptness in sending off cases to desired missions. The following account of one Sunday School that has been helped may be interesting to all:

"The scholars have to come on an average of two miles each, the roads are very bad, and the country sparsely settled. The country and people are alike poor.

"If you were to drop into our school on a summer's day, you would find many of the scholars without shoes, and some of the little girls with a petticoat for a dress."

Friends will be glad to know that we have been able to relieve the necessities of a great many needy ones already this winter, and if their prayers be answered for the kind friends providing these gifts, many will feel at this Christmas time that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Auxiliaries and Mission Bands intending to send boxes or parcels are asked to write to the Secretary before shipping, as when they are sent to her address it increases the cost of shipment. If advice were sought first, the box or parcel might be sent direct to the mission.

MRS. W. BRIGGS.

*Secretary,*

21 Grenville Street, Toronto.

The following missions have been supplied with cases of clothing and bedding since the Board meeting in October :

Mattawa—Cases from Castleton and Cannington.

Alderville—Cases from Grimsby, Teeterville and Wicklow.

Powassan—Cases from Greenwood, Vankleek Hill, Rednersville, and one from Toronto.

Algoma Mills—Cases from Rockwood, Lunenburg and Granby.

Muncey—Cases from Nile, Oakland, Dungannon, Watdown and Kincardine.

Saugeen—Cases from Ingersoll (Charles Street) Mission Band, Burford, Paisley, Aylmer, Mitchell Epworth League.

St. Clair—Case from Hespeler.

Cape Croker—Case from Lambeth.

Thessalon—Cases from Strathroy and Glencoe.

Montreal (small mission there)—Received bales from Seaforth and Gananoque, Grace Church Mission Band.

To the Hospital at Port Simpson—Exeter, Peterboro', Warkworth and Ottawa sent valuable boxes.

Newfoundland—Case from Bath, parcels from Brucefield, and from Varna, quilts.

Chilliwhack—Dereham and Vanessa sent a bale

Moose Woods Reserve—Broadway Tabernacle sent a case.

Moose Jaw—Broadway Tabernacle sent two cases.

McDougall Orphanage—Case from Fallbrook.

Yearby's, Muskoka—Case from Iroquois.

Gibson Reserve—Case from Peterboro' (Mark Street), large bale from Prescott, box from Penville Mission Band.

To Rev. J. Semmens (for North-West Missions)—Sarnia Mission Band sent two cases of clothing and quilts.

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### Notices to Auxiliaries.

We would draw the attention of Auxiliaries to several new leaflets which appear in the list.

The Literature Committee have much pleasure in informing the Auxiliaries that they have prepared a Missionary Birthday Calendar, which they offer at the following rates: 20 cents each, or \$1.80 per dozen. Orders, accompanied by money, to be sent to Miss Ogden.

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### To be Remembered.

1. That, by order of the General Board, all orders and money for Reports and Monthly Letters are henceforth to be sent to Miss Annie L. Ogden, Room 20, Wesley Buildings, Toronto.

2. That, when ordering Monthly Letters, it is necessary to give the name of the Corresponding Secretary to whom they were sent last year, as well as the Corresponding Secretary for the present year.

3. That orders for the Monthly Letter for February should be sent before the fifteenth of January. If not, they will be too late for that month. It is very desirable that this rule be always followed when ordering the Monthly Letter.

4. That the Annual Report will be ready late in December. Price 5 cents, as last year.

5. That subscriptions for the following missionary periodicals will be received and forwarded by Miss Ogden, at the following rates per year: *The Missionary Review of the World* (undenominational), \$1.50; *The Gospel in All Lands*, published by the Methodist Episcopal Church, 80 cents; *The*

*Heathen Woman's Friend*, the organ of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 50 cents; *The Message on Deaconess Work, Home and Foreign Missions*, 25 cents. Please allow at least four weeks before you look for the magazine, as all orders have to be sent to the States and the papers mailed to subscribers from there.

6. That with all orders for leaflets stamps should be enclosed for postage. One cent for every four ounces.

### Free Leaflets.

Constitution for Auxiliary and Mission Band.

Duties of Auxiliary Officers.

Origin and Work of W. M. S., Methodist Church, Canada.

Prayer Card.

Ten Reasons Why I Should Belong to a W. M. S.

Helps Over Hard Places, for Mission Band Workers.

Mrs. Pickett's Missionary Box.

What Thomas Henry and I Learned at the Board Meeting in London.

Scattered Helpers (Leaflets and Cards).

Christian Giving (one copy only).

*Orders for free leaflets should be accompanied by postage, one cent for every four ounces.*

Pasteboard Mite-Boxes, free—postage and wrapping, 3 cents each.

Folding Mite-Boxes, free—postage and wrapping, 3 cents a dozen.

Mission Band Life Membership Certificates, free—postage and wrapping, 3 cents each, or 6 for 12 cents.

Auxiliary Life-Membership Certificates, 25 cents each.

W. M. S. BOOKS, comprising Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer's books—three in set, \$1.75. To be ordered from the Book Room. The sets cannot be broken.

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