The Lord' giveth the word, the women that publish the tidings are a great host.— Psa. 68: u, K. V.

My God! with what surprising love
Thou lovest all on earth,
How good the least good is to Thee,
How much each soul is worth! — Faber.

THE PARIAHS OF INDIA

MARY F. Lovell in the Union Signal writes: "Mr. C. B. Pandian, of Madras, India, a convert to Christianity, is in America, and under the auspices of the Episcopal church is making pathetic appeals in behalf of that most unhappy class of people, the pariahs. As is well known, these unfortunate, of whom there are about nine millions in India, are carefully avoided. They are without caste; any communication with them involves loss of caste. Shut out by this iron barrier from all that makes life pleasant or even tolerable their sad condition knows no improvement from generation to generation. The son of a pariah must be a pariah, for to this state he is born, and in its dirt, degradation and misery he must die. In the frightful heat of the summers of India his wretchedness is greatest, for he may not pollute wells by drawing from them, and the fierce sun has dried up the streams and the parched earth is turned to dust. The only water well which he may slake his thirst is foul, and by its use and the forced unsanitariness of his living, he becomes a disease breeder. Even his dying agonies in fever may be unrelieved by one drop of pure water, as was true in one harrowing case, mentioned by Mr. Pandian. This gentleman, who was of the princely caste, which of course he has now forfeited, is devoting his life to the effort to awaken interest in the condition of this unfortunate class of people. His desire is that they shall have schools and be taught the ways of civilized life. He hopes for help from compassionate people who have means. He states as a reason for the non-interference of the English government, the anticipation that any attempt to elevate the pariah class and break down caste prejudice might result seriously, possibly in rebellion."

We are helping the Pariahs a little. We have a school for them in Vilacherie, our Ransom Home was established for the rescue of their children, and from the wells in our yard they may freely draw water. At our Christmas feast children of both Brahmins and Pariahs assembled to hear about the Christ, and received gifts from loving Christian hands. The children of the Hindu priests who are called swami (God) are clean and haughty, and scorn to speak to a low-down filthy slave, but Christianity destroys caste. How strange it must have seemed to the heathen to see the highest caste in India in one side of the yard, and on the other side a group of children below all caste, all alike dressed in bright, new calico garments, all reciting Bible verses, and answering questions about them, all joining in songs of praise of the only true and living God. Who can estimate the influence of this Christmas feast?

WHY?

WHY should I give the Gospel to those who do not have it?

1. Because all men are equal before God.— Acts 10:34.

2. Because I should do for others what others have done for me.—Matt. 7:12.

3. Because he who sees his Brother in need and does not try to help him has very little grounds for believing that the love of God dwells in him.— I. John 3:17.

4. Because unless I do multitudes of my fellow men will live and die in darkness.—Ps. 9:17.

5. Because I shall be a better Christian by doing so.—James 1:22-23.

6. Because there are so many who do nothing for this work.

7. Because the Lord Himself has positively commanded me to give to them. It is not and never can be optional.— Matt. 19:20.

How shall they hear without a preacher, and how shall they preach except they be sent?

Can you be an intelligent, conscientious, growing Christian and not give to Foreign Missions? If so, how?

—Selected.
A MONTHLY.

HERE is a widely increasing demand that our Quarterly become a Monthly. The advantages will be many:

First, this would enable every subscriber to receive letters from our missionaries every month. Second, this will keep alive an active interest in the work.

Third, it will bring to all our state officers convenient means of communication with their members and locals. A page will be at the disposal of the state officers.

Fourth, we wish to hear reports from each of our states and locals at least once a year. We have at present eleven states and provinces organized. With our present constituency a page could be devoted to each state and province as often as once a year and thus our whole body be informed as to our growth and prosperity, and each state keep in touch with the others. Our Field Secretary is trying through the State Presidents to ascertain if we are able to publish a Monthly. This Monthly must be self-supporting and 2000 paying subscribers at twenty-five cents each will make it self supporting, but we shall not begin publication until we have these 2000 subscribers. All paying twenty-five cents will be credited the money and receive twelve papers in return. As soon as the 2000 subscribers are obtained we shall issue a Monthly, which we expect will be in October.

IMPORTANT.

ANY of our members do not realize the importance of getting subscribers for our Quarterly. Our Quarterly is not yet self supporting, but if every member in our society would subscribe for it, it soon would become so. The first work to do in arousing mission interest in your section is to get people to subscribe for our Quarterly. People cannot be interested in what they know nothing about. Many now indifferent and even opposed to missions, would soon become interested workers, obeying with loving zeal the last command of Christ, if they were only acquainted with the needs of the heathen world. The way to get people acquainted with our work and its needs is to get them to take and read our paper. Hundreds who do not care for mission work will subscribe for our little mission paper if they are asked to do so.

THE LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

MOST earnestly do we hope that our locals will add this department to the home work. Let the Literature Committee make it a regular part of their work to get subscriptions and renewals for the Advent Messenger and Messiah Advocate. Among many reasons why we should do this two stand prominent.

First, we are under an obligation to our Publication Societies. They freely give us a page each quarter in their paper. Second, we desire a small income which we need for state expenses.

Every quarter we wish to publish in our paper the number of subscribers obtained in the different states. Let us do faithful work in this department.

BOXES TO INDIA.

THE boxes, containing thirty-four cubic feet, have been sent to India. We have now begun to work for another box. In England in many of the churches there are sewing classes which embroider doilies, stand cloths, garments, etc., crocheting and knitting, and in various ways manufacturing all kinds of fancy articles. These beautiful things are sent to the mission stations in India, and are sold to wealthy Europeans living in that country, who are glad to pay good prices for anything that comes from England or America. Quite a number of our members contributed beautiful pieces of handiwork to be sold in India for the benefit of our mission. Others made garments for our naked children, some gave pieces of print or flannel, and many children sacrificed some precious toy to gladden the heart of some heathen child sitting in darkness and sorrow. Let all who can do so begin at once to work for our next box. The boxes are packed at the church in Boston, and anything sent to the Crisis office 144 Hanover St. or to the pastor of the Boston church will reach the ladies of our Boston local who have charge of this work.

THE CHINA MISSIONARIES.

MISS Dow and Miss Burke will soon sail for China. Many of our members desire to assume the support of one of these missionaries, and nearly $200 has been given and pledged for this purpose. Our mission and missionaries in China are wholly under the jurisdiction of the A. A. M. S., and will continue to be. If we assume the support of a missionary, she will be under the charge of the A. A. M. S., although she will report to us, and write letters to us which we shall publish in our Quarterly. All funds raised for her support must be sent to our treasury, and we shall forward it to the A. A. M. S. We have advanced to the A. A. M. S. $200. This will be used towards paying the fares of the missionaries to China, but if we decide to support one the amount will be credited to us on her first year's salary. The final decision rests in the power of the Executive Board, and if new members, or annual pledges are received for this express purpose sufficient to defray the annual expense, the Board with thankful gladness will vote to assume the support of a missionary in China.

THE FAMINE SUFFERERS.

THE famine in India continues with unabated horror. Fifty millions are starving. The British government does what it can, employing upon government works hundreds of thousands of men and women who would otherwise starve to death, but there are millions more who can not be relieved, that live or die in indescribable suffering. A godly sister in the west some time ago sent $10 toward relieving the famine sufferers, and now, the Helper's Union, our sister society of the middle west, sends from their special fund a gift of $10 for the same purpose. This is not the first time that the Helper's Union has sent us friendly aid in our India work.
THE LITTLE PREACHERS.

The children in our schools are taught to repeat at home the Bible verses and sing the hymns they learn in school. Thus every child is a little preacher, and the parents who have never heard of Jesus thus listen to the gospel, or good news.

Mr. Chamberlin says:

“Many years ago I translated into Telegu the children's hymn:

‘Jesus loves me; this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.'

and taught it to the children in our school. One day as I was going through the narrow streets of a native town, horseback, I heard singing that sounded natural, down a side street. There was a little heathen boy, with heathen men and women standing around him, singing away at the top of his voice:

‘Jesus loves me; this I know,
For the Bible tells me so.'

As he completed the verse the question arose: ‘Where did you learn that song?'

‘Over at the mission school,' was the answer.

‘Who is that Jesus, and what is the Bible?'

‘Oh, the Bible is a book sent from God, they say, and Jesus is the name of the divine Redeemer, that came into the world to save us from our sins.'

‘Well, the song is a nice one, anyhow. Come sing us some more.’

And so the little boy went on, a heathen himself, singing to the heathen about Jesus and His love."

From The Tiger Jungle.

SEND THE LIGHT.

Tune, "Sweet By and By."

There are lands far away o'er the sea
Where, in darkness, are souls seeking light,
And the call comes to you and to me,
Who have learned of the way pure and right.

CHORUS: Send the light all the way,
That the marvelous glory divine
Turn the darkness to day,
Till the whole world for Jesus shall shine.

In the darkness of error they grope,
And the Savior in whom we abide
Cannot cheer with one bright ray of hope
Till we teach them to walk by his side.

"Bearing light" is a part we may do,
Holding high that its beams reach afar,
So the light of the truth shines now
Gleaming forth from the bright morning star.

— Selected.

Any one desiring stories, dialogues, and concert exercises to use in Junior Societies will be glad to see the list of "Publications Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church," obtained of Pauline J. Walden, 36 Bromfield St., Boston.

THE LITTLE MISSIONARY.

(Recitation for a small child.)

If I was only big enough,
And mama would go, too,
I'd like to visit India land,
And tell the bad Hindoo.

That it is very, very wrong
To treat the babies so,
And throw them to the crocodiles;
Then they would stop, I know.

But, if they didn't I'd run so quick,
O, wouldn't it be fun!
And catch them all, and bring them home,
Must every single one.

Then next I'd go to China-land,
And I would make them take
Those bindings off the children's feet,
And stop that pain and ache.

And I would burn those dreadful things,
To which they kneel and pray,
And tell them that the road to heaven
Was by another way.

Then I would go to that dark land,
The place they make folks slaves—
I'd break the chains right off their feet
And tell them Jesus saves.

And that He loves them all, and died
For them as well as me.
But they must be, O, very good,
If Jesus they would see.

It almost makes me cry, sometimes,
To think these things are so,
And see big people stay at home—
Why don't they want to go?

When I ask mama, she just says,
"O, you're the oddest fairy!"
But don't you think I'm big enough
To be a Missionary?

AMELIA M. STARKWEATHER.

LETTER FROM HATTIE HANSBERRY.

Hood River, Oregon.

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

I HAVE been reading the little paper and like it very much.

I love to hear of the children of India accepting Jesus as their Saviour. Our Missionary Society has about thirty members. We have bible reading and other exercises.

The oldest member is about 59 years old and the youngest is about 5 years old.

We hope to do much good for the Lord this coming year.

From your sister in Christ,

HATTIE HANSBERRY.

HONORABLE MENTION.

WAY off in Washington, Sarah Strasser, nine years old, obtained ten new subscribers to our Quarterly. Can any girl or boy in the east beat that?

Some dear child sent us a subscription for the Quarterly, but we have lost her letter and so cannot give her honorable mention. Will she please write again.
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Rockland, Maine, April, 1900.

OUR RANSOM HOME.

To rescue children from starvation, or from the horrible abyss of heathenism, is one of the most hopeful and delightful privileges of Christian work. This blessed opportunity has been graciously given to us by Him whom we serve. All our members will be interested in reading the following memoranda sent us by Capt. Spence, our Business Agent and Treasurer, India.

MEMORANDA.

"The property referred to in the stamped paper forwarded to Mrs. Sarah K. Taylor, under registered cover, comprise:

1. A garden in which the Ransom House is located, which measures: Length north to south, 126 2-3 yards; length in center, 123 1-2 yards; breadth east to west, 134 1-3 yards. The increase in breadth is due to a curve in one end. The breadth of the garden east and west in center is 118 yards.

2. Wet land: Breadth, 68 2-3 yards; length, 126 2-3 yards. Dry land: Breadth, 49 yards; length, 126 2-3 yards.

3. Size of house: East to west, 41 feet; north and south, 37 feet.

On the property there are two wells; large one, diameter 16 feet; small one, diameter 4 3-4 feet. Both require repairs.

Wet land is that under cultivation of rice
Dry land is that on which fruit has grown."

Bangalore, 25-1-00.

Spence.

We have a blurred picture of the Home. Later, when our camera gets to India, we hope to have a good photograph which we will publish in our Quarterly.

The building is a simple, low, one story house with a wide door and two windows in sight. But it is a palace compared with the homes our children have lived in all their poor little hungry lives.

Already sixteen children have been "adopted" by members of our Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society, and these will be brought up in this home. To support one of these children a year it will cost only $12, as on our land we shall raise rice; while in our box which we expect to send to India every year we shall send clothing for our children. The home is now ready to be opened, having been repaired and made dry and wholesome. In our July Quarterly we expect to report the children settled in their new home. A clean bed, plenty of food, no idol standing in the corner, the little body hitherto naked covered with a clean garment—all this will seem strange to a heathen child. To be taught to speak the truth, not to steal, to be pure in word, and deed, may not seem quite so strange to these children as these lessons have been taught in our school. But to learn about the true and only God, and His Son, Jesus Christ, to seek and obtain salvation from sin, it is for this that we must pray. Let every member of our Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society pray for these children which God has given to us.

SALARY OF WORKERS.

Why does it cost ten times as much to support a European or American Missionary in India as it does to support a native teacher, or preacher? This question is often asked.

Because no European or American can live like the natives. A European must have fruit, eggs, and a variety of food, or he becomes sick. This food is expensive; but the natives live upon rice and raggie which costs very little. The European must live like the natives and it has always resulted in loss of health, and frequently of life.

Capt. Spence, April 18, 1890, in answer to some questions wrote the following: "I am so thankful for the prompt way you reply to my letters, and I am glad that you, at least, take a common sense view of what the cost of living is in India. The Salvationists tried living like the natives but died off in great numbers; and then gloried in the sacrifices they were making for the cause. I told them that they were committing suicide, and that it was positively sinful not to take proper food. Why, I believe that taking one thing with another, I could live as cheaply in England as I can in India.

Now there is not one European in a thousand in a respectable position in India that lives as a native does, or can live so. I have been in India since 1860, and I have not seen a single one. Why, if you want good food and lodging in Bangalore, such as my daughter has been accustomed to, you have to pay $1.66 a day for it."

Our Missionary Supt., Miss Spence, is boarding with a European family three miles from Villacherie. This is more than two hundred miles from her home. We pay her $300 a year which is less than other churches pay their European and American missionaries in India. Native workers can often get access to the homes and hearts of their countrymen better than any foreigner, but a European or American Superintendent is a necessity in order to get satisfactory results. Our Supt. being English, and yet being born in India, is especially qualified for the position.
My dearest Mrs. Taylor:

I feel really sorry I am leaving the work I so much love and always love and interest myself in. When I look back upon the time I feel that the Lord has been our guide and our work has been really blessed by God. I feel I am giving over the work to one who is far more capable than poor Minnie, and as I said to Alice, she will not have the trouble and worry I had, but everything is smooth and plain sailing for her. The children come regularly to school, we have a nice school house, and our teachers Solomon, Benjamin and Jevamani, Solomon’s wife, are all good teachers.

We have not yet opened the school in Jeldenpet, but I expect to open the school there in February though it is to be rather a long way for Alice to travel as it is six miles from where we live in Guindy. Yes, dear Mrs. Taylor, you cannot have an idea of the trouble of opening schools, as there is quite a lot to do in getting teachers, building school houses, etc. When a teacher comes to us we have to be very careful as to his character. I fancy the people in America think it easy business to obtain new teachers in India, but they little know the trouble it is. It needs a great deal of prayer and consideration. We expect to open our Ransom home in February. I shall see that the children are given over entirely to us. You may be assured that we are doing our utmost.

You will be sorry to hear that my health has been very poor. Ever since last October I have not been at all well and have not now entirely recovered my health.

We had a very pleasant time Christmas with the children. We had the Brahmin and Pariah children at the feast. The Pariah children we gave curry and rice, plaintains and sweets, and to the Brahmins sweet peas and cocoanuts from our own trees. After the feast we gave them presents of cloth for a coat or shirt, one to each child, eighty-five in all, with a present for each. I only wish you could have been here, you would have been so delighted to see the children with their bright coats and bright faces, all so very happy. I had three lady friends to see the children. One lady, Mrs. Brown, gave away the presents and helped with the treat. All of my friends think and say that we have a very nice place and that the children are very fortunate. How different it was this year, 1899, from the year before. The whole thing is improved. I was only wishing we had a camera and could have taken the different scenes. People say that we are the only mission in this section which gave the children clothes and toys at Christmas. I am quite pleased with the work, and dear Mrs. Taylor if it is possible it would be a very good plan if you could come out to India with a young girl who could learn to work with Alice. "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few." We are doing all we can. I am to be married in March and Alice will go to work after I am married. With kindest regards to all our sisters.

Yours in the Lord, 

Minnie C. Spence.

LETTER FROM ALICE SPENCE.

Bangalore, India, Jan. 24, 1900.

My dear Mrs. Taylor:

Thank you so much dear Mrs. Taylor for your kind welcome to me into the mission field. I do hope and pray that I may come up to your anticipations and will not disappoint you in any way. I am sure that I will not do the latter if I do all to the single glory of God; I can never go astray while he leads and I follow in the way he has made. Now I must set to answering your questions. I did have a heartily good laugh when I read your letter it had such a motherly ring about it and at the same time it was so amusing.

1. I am 25 years old, just eighteen months younger than Minnie.
2. I am not engaged to be married.
3. I was born in India.
4. I will do my best to write every mail and if I do not you must take the will for the deed as I am sure I will find a great deal to do, but if you do not get a letter in every mail you will get the contents of two mails in one. I intend to keep a journal and write in it points of interest as you suggested. I am going right through your letter as I would an examination paper and I hope you will find that I have answered all your questions.
5. I am thankful to say that I gave my heart to the Lord when I was 13 years old, had not help to do it when I thought of all he had done and suffered for me. Ever since I have been advancing and sometimes getting far away at intervals, but I am glad to say he has never left me to wander alone or go astray, thanks be to his holy name. I have made him my friend, counsellor and guide and I am glad to say that I have felt his presence more for the past three years than I have ever done before. It is so blessed to feel that we have one who is always ready to help and bless and save.
6. Yes, I do think it would be a good plan to get a girl from America to come here to do work. She would represent the mission and perhaps it would rouse more interest in our members. It would be well to have a girl who will be able to stand all the single glory of God; I can never go astray while he leads and I follow in the way he has made. Now I must set to answering your questions. I did have a heartily good laugh when I read your letter it had such a motherly ring about it and at the same time it was so amusing.

With Christian love I am

Yours in His service only,

Alice G. Spence.

A returned missionary from India tells how the lock on the door of the women’s apartments was picked by a crochet needle. A missionary was crocheting when a high caste Hindu asked her what she was doing. She replied that she was embroidering a pair of slippers for her husband, and he remarked that he wished his wife could do as much for him. She said, “If you will open your door so that I can come in and visit your wife I will teach her to do this work.” He at once consented, and thus the door was opened for which she had been praying for years.
State and Local Reports.

OREGON.

We have been working under great disadvantages in Oregon the past year, for our churches are so scattered and most of them without pastors, and quite poor, and it is difficult to arouse a missionary spirit by writing to them.

Portland.

This church is thoroughly in earnest in the missionary work. The Lord has wonderfully blessed us as you see by the report of the Secretary-Treasurer following:

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The local branch of the W. H. and F. M. Society of Portland, Oregon, organized March 9th, 1898 with eleven members. The constitution outlined by the general W. H. and F. M. S. for the use of local societies was adopted, and after deciding to hold a meeting once a month, our work for missions was begun. We soon had a membership of twenty-three active and one honorary member. We held our meetings regularly during the year, devoting our membership fees toward supporting the schools in India; we received as freewill offerings the sum of two dollars. At our first annual meeting, 1899, all expressed satisfaction that we had organized, but we were not satisfied with the result. At our meetings we had endeavored to learn the Lord's will concerning mission work, and more about the work itself. We had, as it were, been to school a year. Our belief was more strongly confirmed, that it was the Lord's will that the gospel should be preached in all the world, and then shall come the end, and that woman might do a great work in helping to publish it. So we started out for another year's work, with courage and zeal unabated; we felt we could not obtain many more members, so planned ways and means to obtain more money, or do more work. We agreed, as far as we were able, each one to pay an added five cents a month, to be used as the society deemed best. This year we had twenty-four active and one honorary member, using our membership fees as heretofore, and received $3.75 as freewill offering.

We took up special collections in our Sunday School, giving $16 which we sent to Miss Spence. Bro. C. E. Wright, our Sunday School Supt. suggested that we start a birthday bank for the benefit of foreign missions. We did so, and from it we have sent $15 to Bro. Malone of China. We obtained 30 subscribers for our Mission Quarterly and have done what we could to obtain some for the "Crisis" and "Advocate." We gave Elder F. W. Brampton an invitation to preach a missionary sermon for us, to which he kindly responded, and gave a stirring appeal, telling of many things he had seen himself in far off India. The audience listened with close attention, and I am sure it will bring about good results. For several years we have had a Ladies Aid Society connected with our church, this has been kept up and through it much home mission work has been done. We think of uniting the two societies at our annual meeting, and the reports of both will be sent in as one. Lately a children's society has been organized with eleven members. They are willing little workers, and I am sure next year's report from them will be good. We are all, young and old, co-workers together with God. How wonderfully He honors us in our feeble efforts. May He give us wisdom and strength, and make our work plain, and may we "do with our might, what our hands find to do." Dear sisters through-out this broad and blessed land, may we so work, that the master may say of each, "She hath done what she could." - SARAH L. SUTCLIFFE, Secretary-Treasurer.

Goochale.

Has 37 members, real consecrated children of God.

Columbus.

This society is flourishing I think. We have organized three other societies but they are very weak as yet. I do hope that we shall be able to do more as a state this coming year. It is very different in your eastern states and in California from what it is in Oregon. There your churches are more in touch with each other, and the most of them have pastors, and you know that that makes a great difference in any kind of work.

Hoping we shall all be able this year do do more and better work, I am yours in the Beloved,

CLARA HAFFENDEN,
State President.

Gaston.

Under date of March 13, Gaston, Ore., reports an organization of seven members, and pledges $5.00 during 1900 toward the support of a missionary in China.

NORTH CAROLINA.

RS. Eliza J. King of Wilmington sends $1 from the Sunday School and writes very hopefully of the mission interest which is increasing in the southern states. The North and West send greetings to our new local at Wilmington, our first auxiliary south of New York. We expect soon to hear from our Busy Bees in Wilmington.

We think we have published all the reports that have been sent in. If any have been omitted please inform us.
Report of Treasurer and Business Agent.

Total receipts from July 1, 1899 to January 1, 1900, $1,033.97
Total expenditures, 796.42
Balance on hand January 1, 1900, $237.55

The receipts are from fees, collections, donations, sale of pictures and tracts.

No account is made of the receipts or expenses of the regular edition of 5,000 copies of the All Nations Quarterly, but the extra edition published for camp-meeting distribution comes under the head of printing.

Enough was received from special collections and donations for that purpose to cover the traveling expenses of the Business Manager. The account of the All Nations Quarterly is kept by itself.

The following is the summary of expenses:

India Mission, $550.00
China Mission, 29.50
Tracts distributed at camp-meeting, 20.00
Sam'l Tysor in England, 1.50
Maine State Mission, special contribution, 3.61
Printing, 32.25
Postage and revenue stamps, 29.33
Salary, Business Manager, 50.00
Getting boxes ready for India, 2.05
Pictures of school, 3.50
Cut for Quarterly, 1.00

Goods ordered by Capt. Spence, 6.00
Filling duplicator, 2.50
Travelling expenses of Business Manager in visiting nine camp-meetings and eight churches, 55.07
Sundries, including ink, pens, rubber bands, pencils, blank books, telegrams and stationery, 5.11

Total, $796.42

JESSIE LEE THOMPSON, Treasurer.
SARAH K. TAYLOR, Business Manager.

A QUESTION ANSWERED.

Question. Is the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society auxiliary to the American Ad­vent Mission Society?

Answer. Just the same as the A. A. M. S. is auxiliary to the W. H. and F. M. S. The societies are supposed to be mutually helpful, but each is entirely independent in jurisdiction and action.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.


CAPT. Spence's son-in-law writes: "Thank you very much for the Quarterly with an engraving of the school at Vilacherie. Naturally we take a great interest in it, and were glad to see the letters also in print. You are fortunate in having Alice Spence in charge for she has unusual ability and steadiness of purpose and the work should prosper in her hands."

Wickford, R. I.

We are praying each day for Brother Spence and Sisters Minnie and Alice. May the father give them many, many precious souls. They are on our hearts and sometimes we pray for them three times a day. May the father help you all to be faithful, as that is something. He will never forget.

Chelsea, Mass.

I wish to join the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society and you will find enclosed ten cents for All Nations Quarterly for a year. I wish to say that I am one of the "Shut-Ins" and I should like to have you write and tell me in regard to doing work, what I can do for suffering India.

East Raymond, Maine.

I send you in this $1.00, perhaps it will do a little good. I dare say I can send some more in the near future. I do not know how we can sacrifice more than we are now doing. We have not a carpet in the house and we are very saving in our dress. I do not think it is right to put out so much for style and fashion as many do when there are so many suffering ones.

REPORTS OF LOCALS.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Portsmouth.

MEMBERS to date sixteen; thirteen sisters and three brothers. Gained three within the year. The adult department is all we have at present.

A. C. SPINNEY, Sec.

Sugar Hill.

The year 1899 opened with eleven members. During the year two have been added and two have moved away. The most of our work has been making comfortables, of which we have sold two. In our home work we have paid four dollars for repairs on the parsonage. You see we are few in number, and sometimes we grow faint-hearted, and then we remember that the Lord is never discouraged, and we take hold with new strength. Surely the Lord is the strength of his people.

A. J. BATELAS.

Exeter.

We are getting along nicely, and with each meeting the work will of course grow more interesting. We have one new member.

FLORENCE S. HALEY.

NEW YORK.

Nassena.

ORGANIZED Oct. 13th, 1898, with a membership of ten. Present active membership fifteen, with three honorary members. Freewill offerings for foreign work, $3.50; freewill offerings for home work, $8.38; total, $11.80. Number of subscribers to All Nations Quarterly, 9; number of members of Children's Branch, 8. We hold our meetings each month, but have had several special ones for the purpose of sewing for the poor; and have already seen results, as one poor girl that we clothed for the day and Sunday School has been converted; also her father and mother. We have also made garments for the children in India. Our motto is "Blessed are those servants, whom the Lord when he cometh shall find watching." The Children's Society gather flowers for the sick; they have prepared a box of little gifts, and sent them to children in India.
OUR BROADENING WORK.

CHINA.

The American Advent Mission Society have decided to send to China two missionaries, Miss Dow and Miss Burke. They ask our Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society to help at this time, and suggest that we assume the support of one of these missionaries. This we would like to do if we can. A circular has been sent to each of our members in which the matter was presented and an expression of opinion requested. About 150 outside Massachusetts have responded, the Massachusetts members reporting to their state president, Mrs. Makepeace. Four-fifths of those responding wish to assume the support of a missionary in China if it is possible to do so and at the same time carry on and extend the work in India. The support of a missionary in China will cost us not less than $300 a year. To raise this money we must have either annual pledges to that amount, or new members who will pay annual fees into our treasury amounting to $300. If we can secure 600 new members we can take this work. With this call there comes also a call for a new missionary for India.

Capt. Spence writes, "I think you ought to have a missionary in training for India. Let her learn something of medicine. Alice is safe for about two years; I would not promise to give her longer. By that time you ought to have a staid sister or a married couple to take up this work. The Lord help you in all things." Read carefully the letter from Alice Spence on page 5.

For some time it has seemed to us desirable to send some one from America to India. Capt. Spence for many years has given freely, time, talents, strength, money, all that he had, to scatter the truth in that dark, broad wide-open land of idolatry, suffering and wickedness. His daughter Minnie, although her health has always been delicate, has given a year and a half of her young life to constant, arduous, successful work, until now, worn, and weary and ill, she relinquishes the work into other hands, and goes away to "find rest in the house of her husband." Her sister Alice, full of life and zeal and gladness to enter the toil of her Saviour, has taken up this work. She needs a helper. The work enlarges. Christ sent out his disciples two by two. Truly this young girl 200 miles from home in the midst of idolatrous, wicked, ignorant, treacherous heathen, needs a white sister to work by her side. We do not know how long Alice will work for us. God will take care of that. As I searchingly looked over the United States, wondering whom to send to help her, an answer came to unspoken prayer. Mrs. McFadyen writes that the daughter of Elder Geo. Welcome has offered herself as a foreign missionary. Would it not be wonderful if the niece of I. C. Welcome should go to India and carry on the work begun by him?

Can we do this?

We have now a membership of about 1500 besides the children. These members pay an annual fee each, the men one dollar the women fifty cents. Children pay twenty cents. About 300 of these members are behind in their dues, which leaves us a paying membership of 1,200, assuring us an annual income of over $500. Every dollar of this is needed to carry on the present work in India, but if every member will get one new member our annual income will be doubled and thus we can double our work.

I do not know just what it would cost to send Miss Welcome to India or what it would cost to support her there, but we are sure that if we could double our membership, with what donations and free will offerings we receive, we can send her and support her there and also support Miss Burke in China. Let every member go to work and obtain new members. Some perhaps are so situated that procuring new members is impossible but others can get two or more. Let us all go to work to roll up our membership list.

THE GOSPEL STORY.

written expressly for all nations quarterly by jessie e. jordan.

Go preach to every nation,
Speed, speed the word!
Glad tidings of salvation,
Christ is the Lord!
Repeat the wondrous story
Told from the ages hoary;
Unto his name be glory;
Christ is the Lord!
From day dawn of creation,
Speed, speed the word!
Yea, from the world's foundation,
Christ is the Lord!
The word in Eden spoken—
His promise ne'er is broken
The seed of love the token
Is Christ the Lord!
To him each shadow pointing
Speed, speed the word!
On him the sweet anointing;
Christ is the Lord!
Dying for man's transgressions
His blood, for sins remission
Shedding in sorest passion.
Christ is the Lord!
He breaks death's bands asunder,
Speed, speed the word!
Angels behold and wonder,
Christ is the Lord!
His eye in pity sees us;
His hand from bondage frees us;
Rejoice his name is Jesus!
Christ is the Lord!
O dark-browed sons and daughters!
Speed, speed the word!
From every race He brought us;
Christ is the Lord!
To Him from idols turning—
Speed, speed the word!
Waiting for his returning—
Christ is the Lord!
With every tribe and nation
Who find in Him salvation,
We join in adoration;
Christ is the Lord!
LETTER FROM MASSACHUSETTS PRES.

To the Massachusetts members of the Woman’s Home and Foreign Missionary Society:

It has been with hesitation that I have taken the work of our organization in the Bay State—because my hands were already so full and because as a stranger to many of you we might not be able to accomplish so much. However it seemed necessary that some one assume leadership because of the growth in numbers and work, and so for the present I have taken the responsibility.

The cause of missions is one very dear to my heart and I would lift the standard of Christ and ask every woman in our Advent churches in Massachusetts to unite in spreading the gospel message before the day of the Lord comes.

The question before us is how may we do most effective work, and the answer from experience in all Christian work is, by organized effort. At present there are a few local organizations of the Woman’s Home and Foreign Mission Society in the State, very few in comparison with the number of churches. There are many members of the general society, often six, eight, twelve or more in a town, each paying her membership fee individually. There ought to be a local organization in each church. It does not mean so much after all as you may think to organize. It will mean that one member shall preside and direct work, another record the business transacted, and she or another member may receive and forward membership fees, subscriptions to the Quarterly, and any special donations. It does not mean that you are pledged to do more work by organizing, but it does mean that you can pay your dues to the treasurer and all can be forwarded at one time, and that you will be able to gain many members who would not send individual dues. It means that you will have increased interest in mission work even though meetings are not held often. It means that though you are giving all you can, you may as an organization solicit from others and thus open a channel for your church to give systematically to home and foreign missions. It means that you may move the hearts of givers, by united prayer and open the windows of heaven upon the mission fields.

I believe that if three members meet to pray for the work, that the Lord will reveal opportunities for work, but do not let any local organization undervalue the power of prayer. A recent letter from a missionary tells how she was at the point of death, given up by the physicians and then adds, “I believe that I am living to-day because of the prayers that went up in the home land.” Whatever we accomplish there is a lack in the work if we do not take time to commit our work and the Lord’s work to Him who moves the universe.

Every member has, or should have received a communication concerning the sending of a worker to China. Many have responded with money and pledges. When word came to me in regard to the matter I felt that Massachusetts should say “yes” to this forward movement and I pledged one hundred dollars toward the salary of a missionary to China in faith, and as the pledges have come in I sing, “Praise God from whom all blessings flow.”

The one hundred dollars is assured, but dear sister why must we stop at this amount. I believe the Lord would have us take dear Miss Burke, a Massachusetts girl, for our representative in China, and that the members of the Home and Foreign Mission Society of Massachusetts can easily raise the three hundred dollars to support her one year.

Let us pray and give, then ask our friends to help till the other two hundred are pledged for 1900. Then at our annual meeting we can take action as to accepting the responsibility and devise systematic means of supporting her.

Fifteen dollars has come from a sister in Salem ninety-two years of age. Marblehead local has pledged five dollars.

By the next issue we hope to have had our annual meeting which we are planning for the State Conference and to report effective organization. Western Massachusetts has district officers. Worcester district will be organized next week and we trust the Southern district also. Systematic effort means increased effort. Let us hunt for members in our town and organize. If we find ourselves alone let us seek those who will join and organize. Organize not for the sake of machinery but for more power in the Lord’s work.

Yours in the Master,

Mary Reynolds Makepeace.

California orchard.

LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA PRESIDENT.

The dear Lord has given us a missionary and I shall certainly push the matter, as God helps me, to send her into the work. I received a most blessed letter from her just the other day and as far as I can learn she is all that we could desire for a missionary. She is a daughter of Eld. Geo. T. Welcome, who is a nephew of the late I. C. Welcome. “She is about 20 years old, plays and sings quite nicely, is quite well educated—almost through the Normal course—is bright and attractive and a well grounded and settled Christian; one who would not have to be nursed and encouraged herself and thus be an added burden to the ones she is expected to help,” so one wrote me about her. I certainly shall do all I can to help her.

LAST FROM INDIA.

The Ransom Home is opened with twelve children.

PARDON AND PATIENCE.

Many mistakes occurred in the mailing of our January paper. It was three weeks late. For that we were not to blame. As we must have help in mailing, the young people came and helped freely, and the slips on which the names were written got mixed. Please let us know if you failed to get your paper.

A VALUABLE BOOK.

In The Tiger Jungle is a book that should be in all our Sunday Schools. All our members should read it. It is a book that would be interesting to read aloud at the meetings of our locals. A good book to lend. Price $1.00. For sale at 144 Hanover St., Boston, Mass., Address Chas. H. Woodman.
STATE OFFICERS.

MAINE: President—Mrs. Jessie E. Jordan, Mechanic Falls; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. M. C. Clapp, Rockland.

NEW HAMPSHIRE: President and Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Louis H. Hoy, 483 Belmont St., Manchester, N. H.

VERMONT: President—Miss Bertha A. Stoddard, Vernon; Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Alice M. Temple, Woodstock.

RHODE ISLAND: President—Mrs. Bertha Hazard, 160 Wendell St., Providence; Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Mabel E. Place, 39 Constitution St., Providence.

CONNECTICUT: Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Annie Havi

NEW YORK: President—Mrs. Agnes Stearns, Massena Center; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Isaac Davis, Massena Center.

CALIFORNIA: President—Mrs. Nina L. McFadyen, Napa City; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Anna Stevenson, 1230 15th St., East Oakland, California.

OREGON: President and Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Clara Haffenden, 275, Morrison St., Portland.

QUEBEC: President—Miss Della Barnard, Danville; Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. J. Ella Randall, Magog.

MASSACHUSETTS: President—Mrs. Mabel R. Makepeace, Indian Orchard; Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Lucy H. Olmstead, 45 Hollywood St., Wooster.

NEW BRUNSWICK: President and Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Seddie L. Dickenson, Woodstock.

STATE CONSTITUTION.

This constitution is presented by Mrs. Makepeace the President of Massachusetts for the consideration of the Massachusetts locals. It cannot be adopted until the annual meeting. Other states with fewer members will desire a simpler constitution, and can easily change and simplify as state needs may require.

CONSTITUTION

Of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of the Advent Christian Denomination

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This organization shall be called the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of the Advent Christian Denomination of Massachusetts, auxiliary to the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of the Advent Christian denomination.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

The object of this organization shall be to unite the efforts of the women in the Advent Christian denomination in Massachusetts for home and foreign missions.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

Sec. 1. Any society of women adopting the Constitution and paying fifty cents per member annually to the State treasurer is auxiliary to the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of the Advent Christian Denomination of Massachusetts. Sec. 2. Any woman may become a member at large of the State organization by the payment of fifty cents. Sec. 3. Men may become honorary members upon the payment of one dollar. Children may become associate members upon the payment of twenty cents.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this organization shall consist of a President, secretary, Treasurer, and a Vice President from each conference district who shall constitute the Executive Board.

ARTICLE V.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

President. It shall be the duty of the President to have general supervision of all the work in the State, preside at State meetings, organize local and district societies and perform all other duties which usually devolve upon that officer.

Vice President. Each Vice President shall be the President of her district and her duty shall be to aid the work of the organization in her district, to arrange for and preside at conferences of her district, cooperating with the general officers of the State.

Secretary. The Secretary shall keep a full and correct record of all State meetings, including those of the Executive Committee and shall correspond with the district secretaries and report at the Annual meeting. She shall also give proper notice of all State meetings if so desired by the officers.

Treasurer. The duties of the Treasurer shall be the same as are usual to that office. She shall receive and forward all membership dues to the general treasury and also all donations for home and foreign missions with designation of donors as to disposal, and keep an exact account of all moneys paid out by local societies for direct home work.

ARTICLE VI.—MEETINGS.

Sec. 1. The annual state meetings for conference and business including the election of officers shall be held in connection with the State Conference.

Sec. 2. This meeting shall be composed of the general officers of the State, the district secretaries, and one delegate at large for each local auxiliary society which has paid its annual dues, with one additional for every ten members, and the leader of each children's band. Special meetings of the Executive Committee shall be subject to the call of the President or Secretary.

ARTICLE VII.

This organization shall also cooperate with the Advent Mission Society, and local societies may render financial aid and become auxiliary to that society. See General Constitution.

ARTICLE VIII.—AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present and voting thereon at any annual meeting, due notice having been previously given.

Sec. 2. By-laws to the constitution may be added at any regular State meeting by two-thirds vote of the delegates present and voting thereon.

BY-LAWS.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES.

The district secretary and treasurer shall collect all dues of members at large in her district and forward to the State treasurer.

ORGANIZATION.

District presidents are expected to organize local societies in their own districts.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Honorary members shall not hold office nor have voting privileges in local, or district, or State meetings.

In all relations to the American Advent Mission the honorary members shall be entitled to vote and be eligible to election as delegates.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO OUR CONSTITUTION.

Any Local Society of the W. H. & F. M. S. may also, and is hereby recommended to become auxiliary to the A. A. M. S. by vote of its members and such financial help as the Society may be able to render (See A. A. M. S. constitution Art. III.). In all relations to the A. A. M. S. the honorary members shall be entitled to vote, and be eligible to election as delegates.

In the revised constitution of the American Advent Mission Society the article on Membership makes provision for representation from our local societies and reads: “This Society shall be composed [Sec. 1] of delegates from local mission societies which are working auxiliary to this Society, on the basis of one delegate from each local society, with the privilege of an additional delegate for each $15.00 contributed annually to this Society's treasury.”

Some of our societies are already working auxiliary to the A. A. M. S. by contributing to its treasury, and such should be represented at its annual meeting by sending delegates.

FOR PRIVATE CIRCULATION.

We wish to publish a book for private circulation entitled The Child Wives of India. The price will be 15 cents. Will all who would like to purchase the book send us an address, a postal card to that effect, and when we get five hundred orders we will issue the book. About 200 have already been ordered.