FAREWELL SERVICE FOR MISS KEENEY

HELEN G. WILLIS

USUALLY a farewell service is bound to be sad, but no one present at the farewell given to Miss Keeney at Melrose Highlands, on Wednesday evening, September 18th, could help but say it was a cheerful one. To be sure, there was a touch of sadness in our hearts to think of losing our friend, sister and co-worker; but the sad feeling was entirely lost in the thought that it was a privilege, rather than a sacrifice, to send one of our members to bear the blessed news of the gospel to a land across the sea.

An interesting program was carried out. Several of our ministers from nearby churches were present, and assisted in the service. A scripture lesson was read by Rev. G. F. Haines and Rev. F. L. Piper led in prayer. A closing prayer was offered by Rev. C. R. Crossett. Our China missionary Mr. Z. C. Beals, in a few remarks, gave us a glimpse of our India mission from his recent visit to that station.

There were some quite unusual features on the program. It has been our privilege to have among our friends some native Hindus who are students at Boston College, also several Chinese students. Our Chinese friends were represented by Mr. Yeh of Shanghai, who played upon a Chinese harp. After a Chinese selection, he played 'one more familiar to us, "Nearer My God to Thee." We appreciate very much having these young men as friends.

Mr. Fieldbrave of Lahore, India, sang for us in native language, Hindustani. The selection was very appropriate for the occasion, although we could only understand it by the tune, "I Need Thee Every Hour." Mr. Fieldbrave is a Christian, and is studying at Newton to prepare for Christian work in his homeland.

Mr. Sen Gupta, from another part of India, recited a short poem in Sanskrit. While of course we could not understand the words it was interesting to listen to the soft, rhythmical flow, and realize that the great God hears and understands the cry of humanity in whatever tongue it may be spoken. Perhaps it was most unusual of all, that a native of the same part of India to which Miss Keeney goes, should give the farewell address. Mr. Cornelius of Madras is a Christian of the third generation and is a student at Boston University. He, too, will go home to engage in Christian work. Through an acquaintance of a year and a half, he has come to hold a high place in our estimation. After listening to his short address we realized perhaps more than ever that the sons and daughters of India are not so very different from the sons and daughters of America, except as their environment compels them to have different habits and characteristics.

A male quartette from our Chelsea church added, not a little, to the program, by two appropriate selections, rendered in a pleasing manner.

There were presentations from the church and friends, and Miss Keeney's Sunday school class, to which Mr. Keeney responded. He spoke for the family, and said that as parents, and brothers and sisters they felt it was an honor that God had called their daughter and their sister to such a noble calling. Miss Keeney spoke briefly to thank the friends for coming to say "Goodbye." She said she received great comfort from that word, since it means "God be with you." Surely God is, and will be with her all the way. She gave us a vision of God's plan, how he has no other way of spreading the Gospel but is depending on us. We must do our share and tell "others." After a few remarks by the chairman, Mrs. Chadsey, the friends present came forward to meet Miss Keeney, and to personally shake her hand and bid her "God speed."

The evening will long be remembered, and the inspiration received will be lasting. It seemed that the corners of the earth came together in Melrose Highlands and it is wonderful to think that the great God of the universe is a common Father to us all.
BURNING OF THE GOSPEL HALL
ELLA L. JONES

THURSDAY was the fourth day of our preaching trip. We had, at nightfall, visited nineteen villages, preached forty-two times, to one thousand one hundred and sixty-seven people; and examined two candidates for baptism.

Our first night out was spent at the gospel hall; the succeeding two with our teachers at Nukampalam, where we slept out in the open and were greeted by the school children before we were up.

On rising the teacher rings the gong to awaken the village, and the children troop in, unwashed and uncombed, to study their home lessons, where the teacher can admonish them by a word of advice now and again.

From Nukampalam we walked to Madambakam, visiting all the villages on our way. We had a nice time with Jonah and wife here, leaving at twilight for Perambakam. The twilight all too soon fell into semidarkness and we lost our way and wandered about in the thorn bushes until we were tired, so all sat down to await the moon. A light appeared in the distance, so the younger Bible woman and myself joined hands and ran for it, calling loudly; but remembering that they would think us devils, we stopped shouting and ran on until we came to a village, where, with all our pleading, they refused to help without the show of money. The actions of the people made us uneasy, so we made off and rejoined the other two who hurried as much as possible around thorn bushes, into and over humps and hollows, the poor Indians with their bare feet suffering much with thorns.

After some time we came to a temple, that we knew, and were soon rattling the tambourine and singing to awaken the Perambakam teachers, who had sent our cart and supper back to Jeldenpet only a half hour before; so, tired and hungry, we again started on a two mile tramp back to our beds and food. We were soon lost in profound slumber until the call of "Fire!" sent us out of bed to realize that the roof was a blaze. Going out the bath room door we saw the small lamp that some enemy had carried oil in and used to fire our gospel beacon light. Water we had none, as nearly every drop had been used for bathing when we came in. Before we could remove all the things, our roof was no more; and we were surrounded by a crowd of people who rushed down from a temple festival that was being held at Palakarami. As we stood there, among the people, it was very pleasant to hear the remarks of those who knew us in the different villages. They were astonished that anyone should have burnt the roof over us. To the Hindoo the deed was a mystery. The medicine chest was turned over and all the bottles broken; but we are thankful that no one was burned badly by the strong acids that poured forth.

Our Indian church has stepped bravely to the front and is rebuilding the roof with tiles so that fire will be out of the question again.

Our circle of Indian friends is ever widening, and the encouragement we receive from them gives us the strength of Christian comradeship.

A VACATION DAY
C. H. HUDSON

I am spending a good part of my time, on the hills, in tramping around talking to the people in the out-of-way villages, giving away tracts and selling gospel portions.

While talking to the people, in a certain village, I was struck with their comparative cleanliness and intelligence, nearly all of the boys could read; and they knew a little about the true God and His Son Jesus Christ. I was very much surprised at this and inquired as to where they had obtained their knowledge; and learned to my further surprise that not far from there, "Padre" (Missionary) was living, who kept a school which these boys attended and who also came over to preach to them occasionally.

On inquiring from them where this man lived, I was informed that it was not very far away, so after spending the morning there and eating my lunch, I started off to visit the missionary. I was rather skeptical regarding their estimate of the distance for I was on a hill and could see no sign of any other village, but tramped on and on over another hill, from where could be seen away down in the valley what looked like a Mission Station. I hesitated about making the decent thinking of the climb back, but was inspired by the thought that a visit from a fellow worker, in that far away place, would certainly give joy, so went on. After arriving there I found that it was a Basel Mission Station. The Missionary and his wife had been working on these hills for 23 years. Their children, seven in number, they had taken home ten years ago and had not seen since that time. They hoped to be able to go home next year; but much depended on the conversion of the head man of a nearby village who was almost persuaded. If he accepts Christ many others will follow him.

Let us pray that they may have victory and win this village for Christ. After partaking of German hospitality, I felt fit for my walk home; but this was saved me, a horse was provided for the return journey and a man to show me a good road through the hills; for this I was indeed thankful. I had wandered farther away from home than I imagined.

Many tracts were distributed that day and a few gospel portions were sold to the Badagas, and one to a Mohammadan.

The people up here are very willing to buy, at one time I sold eighteen in one hour. This is my record for such work.

The seed being sown is sure to bear fruit.

(Brother Hudson wrote this while at the hills on his vacation.—Editor.)

We still have some 500 copies of the little book "Leaves Worth Turning" which contains incidents in connection with our mission. The price of the book postpaid is twenty-five cents.
"STONES CRYING OUT"
E. DORA ALLAN

The Hindu in spite of his belief in the transmigration of souls and the nothingness of the body, will sometimes show an inconsistent attention to the spot where his burnt ashes lie. And though the spirit of his grandmother may be in a cow, and that of his father in a pig—widely separate in the last birth—he is often careful that the dust of their discarded bodies lies, side by side, with room for his own and that of his children—the family bond proving stronger than his creed.

In a solitary prowl on the outskirts of Bangalore, I stumbled upon an old Hindu cemetery, it would be difficult to tell how old, though the present was also evident in the style of some of the grave-stones and structures and in the smoke of an adjacent funeral-pyre.

The place is wild, rambling, unkempt, innocent of flower or garden and the tombs are without graceful proportion or design. A left-to-itself air holds the place. This and its natural position make it solemnly impressive and impressive. The railway runs on one side of it and a very old trunk road on its east. On this road in full view of the cemetery is a way side shrine with its dirty damaged monster of an idol. The shrine with a good shelter for the wayfarer on its left and a well for the thirsty on its right with the travelling conveniences, is enclosed by a strong wall and speaks of some devotee's consideration of his fellows. A gruesome resting place truly for a weary, дизл-й traveler, but one that must surely throw his thoughts on to the bottom of things.

This may have directed the old devotee's choice of situation. To spend a night in such a place would, methinks, be as salutary as the monkish idea of laying in one's coffin.

Rambling amongst the graves one notes the offering of flowers, the little earthen lamp in its niches, burnt dry of oil and wick the night before, the new coat of white-wash to the canopy over the family-plot. "Earth from earth can scarce be bought in sell," though according to their hard unnatural doctrine the dear departed are not here or ever will be—they are roaming the earth in other forms of life. The ugly marks of Vishnu and Siva, and sundry hieroglyphics disfigure many a gravestone, yet making a pathetic appeal to that unknown god whom they ignorantly worship, but who will nevertheless "be fair" to them.

I contrast this hideous wilderness of graves with a sweet, orderly Christian graveyard. But both are "God's acre" for "as in Adam all die, so in Christ shall all be made alive," and Christ's trumpet-like declaration, "I am the Resurrection and the life," covers each grave in spite of false beliefs. I think of the surprise of the Resurrection to them and then of their judgment which turns to our judgment. That they died out of the Faith is the fault of us, Christians. Each stone seems to point a finger of blame at us, and bids us turn in haste to the living "ere the night cometh," and their chance and ours be lost.

OUR NEW BUNGALOW
ANNA B. HUDSON

We have been living in it now since the first of June, and although the carpenters are still at work finishing up, it is practically completed. We are most comfortable in it, and the coolness of it proves the wisdom of the locality chosen and the manner of building.

The house is built somewhat different from the manner of Indian bungalows, for we desired to make it as much like our houses at home as possible, therefore we have a hall which is seldom seen in India. On the left of the hall extends our drawing room, dining room and kitchen in a row, back of the hall are the stairs to the roof and the bath-room. On the right of the hall is Mr. Hudson's office and the bedroom. A lovely roomy veranda runs around two sides of the house, which being the sunniest sides, protects the rooms from the heat. From the veranda we get a very nice view straight across the paddy fields to the Palarvaram hills in the distance, and it is across this big open plain that our lovely breezes come.

By degrees we have had the jungle, that was all about the house, cleared out and already Mr. Hudson has arranged and had set out some plants which give the place a more attractive look. They were very kind at Guindy, when transplanting their house plants they sent us an abundant share of them.

We sleep up on the open roof, and it is a delight to enjoy the open air all night. There is a roof over the section where our beds are so we are nicely protected when it rains. It is so arranged that if ever the occasion arises rooms can easily be partitioned off up there. We have cement floors all over the house and veranda, and they are very sanitary and proof against white ants. They do look rather bare but some day we hope to be able to get mats of some sort to cover them. How much I have wished that the nice Crex grass rugs that can be obtained so reasonably at home could be purchased out here, but though I have inquired they do not seem to know anything about them. The nearest thing to it is a jute mat that is made of a course fiber woven with cotton. Our drawing room is entirely unfurnished, but at present we can do without it, and entertain our few visitors on our nice veranda. As time goes on we hope to be able to purchase some Indian things to furnish that room with, for there are beautiful carved tables that can be had for a small sum and all sorts of other Indian curios.

Altogether we are very happy and satisfied with our home and feel that God has indeed been good in giving it to us to live in. Our health is fifty per cent better here than while we were in the press room, and we feel sure that we will be able to do more efficient work because of it.

The poem "An Associate Missionary's Prayer," which appears on the back of the share cards for Miss Keeney will appear in our next issue.
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Boston, Mass., October, 1912

WE desire to call attention to the articles regarding the Saidapet Reading Room.

We have recently secured a building in a much more favorable quarter of Saidapet than the first one we hired. We were able to secure this building through the influence of a leading native who is much interested in the work and desired to see the reading room in a more central place.

What we need now is to keep the room supplied with good reading matter, and to do this we must have funds. A few dollars will go a long ways in tracts and religious papers. We trust that those of our readers who are interested in this department of our work will remember us with their gifts at this time. We will also be very grateful for good religious books, and for religious papers. We trust that those of our readers who are interested in this department of our work will remember us with their gifts at this time.

The president, Sister Bland, presided. Sister Nettie B. Fuller read the 107th Psalm and Sister Tyler led in prayer.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the society was held, as required by our By-Laws, the second Wednesday in September, at Portland, Maine, to ratify the actions taken at the annual convention. Representatives from six Maine and one Massachusetts local were present.

BOSTON BIBLE SCHOOL

The school opened October 1st, with a good attendance. Now is the time to remember the work with vegetables, canned fruit, etc., as a good supply is needed. All contributions should be sent to Boston Bible School, 17 Rockville Park, Roxbury, Mass.

OUR readers will remember that some time ago we mentioned that Miss Keeney would need a large trunk, a steamer trunk, a steamer chair, and a steamer rug; and asked if there were not some who would, donate these. It will be interesting to know that all were given her, each by a different individual.

CONNECTICUT STATE MEETING

The seventh annual business meeting of the Connecticut W. H. & F. M. Society was held at the home of Sister Nickerson, on the Adventist campground, Plainville, Conn., August 29th, at 1 p.m.

The president, Sister Bland, presided. Sister Tompson read the 107th Psalm and Sister Tyler led in prayer.

In the absence of the secretary, Mrs. O. S. Patrick was appointed secretary pro tem. Treasurer’s report read and accepted, showing balance on hand of $31.95.

Report of the annual session of the General Society held at Alton Bay was given by the president.

Report of the Hartford local received and verbal reports of other locals were also given.

Sister Fitzsimmons gave a very interesting account of the conversion of a Jewish girl whom she had been the means of helping.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Richard Bland, East Norwalk; vice president, Mrs. L. B. Rockwell, New Haven; secretary, Mrs. Lucy A. Oldham, 170 Brooks street, Bridgeport; treasurer, Mrs. A. F. Tilton, New Haven; auditor, Mrs. A. Colton, Hartford.

Motion made and carried that we appropriate five dollars, for Miss Keeney’s transit to India, and five dollars to Brother Edwards’ hospital expenses.

Moved, a vote of thanks be extended to Sister Fuller for her efficient services in the past.

An adjourned business meeting called to order August 30, at 1 p.m. at Sister Nickerson’s home.

Secretary’s report read and accepted.

Mrs. H. Williams of Bridgeport, Conn., was elected to serve another year as State Superintendent of the Y. W. A.

Sister H. H. Fuller was appointed as our dele-

August 18, Brother Hudson baptized four, three from one family, father, mother and son; the fourth was a young man of seventeen.
ANNUAL MEETING OF MAINE SOCIETY

THE annual state meeting of the Maine W. H. & F. M. Societies was held in the Portland church, September 11, 1912. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Alfreda B. Wallace, the Central Vice President Mrs. N. E. Fellows called the meeting to order. After singing and prayer, Mrs. Maude M. Chadsey was asked to preside over the business session. Mrs. Fellows, the secretary, read the minutes of the preceding year. The report of the corresponding secretary Miss Mary E. Rowe was read in her absence. This report showed that there were 14 locals in good working order, nine of these reporting, three Y. W. Auxiliaries and two Junior Societies.

A telegram of greetings and the news that she had just organized a new local in East Mapleton, Maine, was received from the State President, Mrs. Wallace.

Mrs. Wallace is doing evangelistic work in Northern Maine and while doing this is availing herself of every opportunity to do work for the W. H. & F. M. Society. This being the second new local she has organized the past year. An interesting letter from the native evangelist that Maine supports was read, and we trust more interest in this special work was aroused.

Mrs. Chadsey was asked to state the different parts of the work she wished us to aid in and she spoke particularly about the Boston Bible School and the Mission Room in Aurora College, as our home work; and the salary of Miss Bertha Keeney and the general work in India. She called our attention to some books printed by our Indian boys and fancy articles and cloth made by our Indian girls, she wished us to sell. She exhibited charts showing the Guindy and Vilacherie compounds. Those present manifesting much interest in all of these.

Locals represented were Auburn, Biddeford, Oxford, Old Orchard, Portland and Westbrook. Miss Gertrude Meserve and Mrs. Frances Gardner were appointed tellers and the following officers were elected: Mrs. Alfreda Brewster Wallace, president; Mrs. Nellie E. Fellows, central vice president; Mrs. Frances Gardner of Biddeford, southern vice president; Mrs. Maude Wallace, Presque Isle, northern vice president; Miss Mary E. Rowe, secretary and treasurer; Miss Mary Marshall of Portland, auditor. The superintendent of Y. W. Auxiliary to be appointed by Executive Board. Voted to continue the support of a native evangelist.

In the evening an address by Rev. Z. Charles Beals was given with much earnestness; and assurance was given the Maine workers that a splendid work was being done by our earnest, loving, Christian workers in India. Our love, sympathy and prayers were requested in their behalf. Mrs. Chadsey spoke of the work of a native evangelist; and the most interesting state meeting for many years was closed with prayer by Rev. Harry Shattuck, the able pastor of the Portland church, which so kindly and loyally entertained us.

N. E. FELLOWS

W. H. & F. M. DAY AT TROUTDALE CAMP

OUR day began fittingly with a service of special prayer for missions. Our praise service was very helpful and inspiring as the sisters brought in items of mission news instead of personal testimony, and from all over the world we seemed to hear the call for service and help.

At 10.45 Sister Edna Smith spoke on "The Unordinary Christian Life" from the words: "Neither count I my life dear unto myself." The appeal to a life of more than ordinary surrender and sacrifice was given in much power and the Holy Spirit sent the message home. An offering was received at the close of the service.

At 1:30 the annual business meeting opened with devotional exercises. The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Secretary reported 7 locals with a membership of 72, a gain of 14 over last year. Also that 6 orphans were now being supported; three having grown out of our care, and the quarter of the salary of a native preacher is paid by one local. One local failed to report; one new added. Treasurer reported as follows.

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October halted at the tract rack; and many of them was held. An audience of about 125 men were present. The accompanying report will show what kind of a meeting it was.

Treasurer further reports funds available for the coming year. A call was made for reports from those who received the dollar with which to trade. Seven dollars were given out. Five locals failed to report, and from the five which traded $51.86 was brought in. The Troutdale local, whose members are those who live away from churches, won the prize for greatest increase. The dollar was divided among them, but by some oversight our Vice President, Sr. Hansberry, failed to receive her share, and taking 25 cents began to trade with others. The Troutdale local, whose membership is fairly large, won the prize of $5 for the Troutdale local. Portland was second with $13.75 from its dollar.

It was decided to continue the use of "talents" for the ensuing year. Also to continue the support of our school. A report from the teachers of this school in native writing caused much interest and its translation was read.

Election of officers resulted in the following:

- Mrs. Lois R. Wright, president; Nellie Ben-net, first vice president; Mrs. Hansberry, second vice president; Miss Myrtle Woodle, secretary-treasurer.

Meeting adjourned.

Our library now consists of 197 books and pamphlets, (some new ones were added yesterday) many of which are doctrinal and were a gift to the mission from Mrs. Spence. The first to be taken from the library by a Hindu was Canon Farrar's "Life of Christ."

Now friends, we need to have your co-operation in this grand work. Mrs. Chadsey, our President, will gladly send us English tracts if you will supply the money to pay for them. Our present variety of English tracts is limited. We hope to look forward to receiving a good supply from you and are confident we shall not be disappointed.

Last Sunday Mr. Nathaniel preached here in Guindy. His text was "Thy Kingdom Come." He gave the true ring to the subject as he traversed the ground from the time the promise was given to Abraham down to the fulfillment of the same. It made some of us almost see "The Lights of Home."

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late collector, heartfelt thanks were tendered for their generous help. The Mission has added a library containing 168 volumes.

The Rev. Dr. John Lazarus, then addressed the audience on "Civilization, True and False," and in doing so, referred to the curious results in dress, manners and speech which issued from a partial and superficial imitation of Western civilization; and, speaking from the vantage ground of age and experience, he advised his hearers to assimilate the higher qualities of the European character before aiming at an external imitation of manners while the spirit within remained unchanged.

Mr. P. N. Muthuswamy Naidu, who followed the lecturer, sounded a note of warning against imbibing the materialistic and individualistic tendencies of Western civilization.

Mr. H. S. Duncan in his concluding remarks, called attention to the recent legislation in England like the Old Age Pensions and Insurance Act which were conceived in a spirit the very opposite of individualism referred to the very reading room under whose auspices they were met as an example of altruistic and cosmopolitan endeavors.

Mr. N. K. Ramaswamy Iyer of Tanjore, in proposing a vote of thanks to the chairman and the lecturers, said that the East and the West were intended to stand in a supplemental relation to each other, and when each had learned the lesson the other was fitted to teach, the distinction of East and West would vanish, and all men would regard themselves as members of one family and children of one God.

The chairman and the speakers were garlanded. The Rev. W. Raju Naidu, on behalf of the mission and on behalf of himself thanked the chairman, the speakers, and the audience, and the meeting came to a close.—India paper.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Receipts for September, 1912.

- British Columbia—Treasurer of Western Washington and British Columbia, $5; W. W. Brown, $50.
- California—Treasurer of Northern California, $50; Napa local, $12; George F. Skey, $6; San Francisco local, $20; C. Hudson, $75; Turpin local, $3; Los Angeles local, $27; Treasurer of Southern California, $1.
- Connecticut—George Nelson, $3; R. Blund, $3; George Johnson, $3; Gertrude Atkins, $3; Collection at Plainville, $1.75; Mrs. Andrew Arthur, $1; William Wilcox, $3; Abner Morse, $15; Susie B. Williams, $5; Mrs. Thomas Fitzsimmons, $15; Mrs. J. P. Hansen, $30; Mrs. Nettie Simmons, $50; Mrs. A. Strong, $5; Eva Roberts, $5; Cora Roberts, $5; Hattie Roberts, $5; Mrs. Henry Curtis, $5; Mrs. Sister, $5; Mrs. Francis, $5; Mrs. G. E. Tyler, $5; M. Jennie Bannett, $3; Mrs. Richard Bland, $3; Mrs. Nelson, $10; Mrs. Hezelt, $5; Mrs. M. Northrup, $5; East Norwich church, $5; Emily L. Kingsman, $31; L. H. Kingsman, $1; Torrington church, $3.48; Camplville church, $5; Danbury church, $1.77; Rev. E. Z. E. R. $1; New Milford church, $8.43; Martha Benson, $1.
- Florida—V. P. Simmons, $1; Gainesville local, $15.
- Kansas—S. J. Powell, $5.
- Maine—Oxford local, $10.50; Presque Isle local, $1.50; Julia Howard, $1; Lorna Watkins, $1; Portland local, $6; Mary Watson, $5; Treasurer of Maine, $3.80; Nellie E. Fellowes, $1; Ernest W. Dyer, $1; Gertrude Simmons, $1; Mrs. J. L. Pease, $5; Isabel W. Kennison, $50; Auburn local, $2.50.
- Massachusetts—C. M. Barden, $35; Ida Hiscox, $5; Ethel Bennett's S. S. class, $3; Mrs. G. L. Young, $3.90; Children Springfield Campmeeting, $2.76; Springfield local, $16; Mrs. E. S. Giles, $1; Mrs. A. M. Barrett, $1; A Friend, $1; Lynn church, $7.15; Whitman church, $8; Worcester church, $2; Middleboro S. S., $2; Lynn local, $3; Boys Junior class, Acushnet S. S., $5; Acushnet S. S. $11.44; Augustus White, $10; Fiskdale local, $1; Somerville local, $5.50; Worcester Junior Mission Society, $1.50; Sadie Robinson, $1; A. S. B. Lothrop, $1; F. A. Page, $1; W. N. Brown, $1; W. W. Winslade, $2; I. M. Blanchard, $1; Mrs. H. Lawrence, $50; W. K. Brooks, $1; E. A. Elwell, $1; H. H. Nash, $1; F. D. Barnes, $1; S. A. Giroux, $1; E. W. Ward, $1; W. A. Sawin, $1; E. E. Miles, $1; F. F. Dana, $1; J. E. Taylor, $1; T. B. $1; E. M. Piper, $2; P. Cunningham, $1; G. I. Thomas, $1; Mrs. C. E. Butterworth, $1; Treasurer of E. Dist. Conference, $2.44; Worcester local, $1; North Carver local, $5; Middleboro S. S., $2; Abby Keys, $1; Adams local, $3.75; Myrtle Elizabeth Lawrence, $20; Edwin Hugh Lawrence, $20; From D. Mathewson, $1; Metrose Highlands church, $1.22; Whitman local, $4; Mrs. H. C. Grant, $1; North Otis church, $4.73; G. I. Thomas, $5.
- Michigan—Treasurer of General Helper's Union, $6.50.
- New Hampshire—Reginald Terrill, $3; Loudon Village church, $5; A. H. Tilson, $16; W. H. & F. M. State Society, $5.75; Dover local, $10; Brother Goodwin, $1; Daniel Boyle, $2; Ethel L. Hooper, $1; Jennie Charles, $1.
- New York—Penfield local, $6.50; E. M. Van Dyke, $1; Dry Brook and Redell local, $8.
- North Carolina—C. A. Durant, $16.
- Oregon—Oregon State Treasurer, $63.; Martha S. Beers, $6.
- Quebec and Northern Vermont—Mrs. G. H. Smith, $3; Mrs. Lizzie McKelzie, $3; Mrs. Mrs. W. Ritchie's S. S. class, $1; E. I. McKenina, $31; Mrs. R. B. Scott, $1; Agnes Lundeau, $1; Guy Chapman, $2; Edith Gr axes, $3; Mrs. H. E. Dean, $1; Marshall Ames, $15; Eva M. Sweet, $1; Maud Keitcham, $5; Core Drew, $5; Ethelyn Boy, 15c; Unknown, 15c; Magog sales counter, $1.26; M. M. C., $1; Lulu Wheeler, $1; Mrs. Alonso Wheeler, $1; William McKenna, $1; A. Henderson, $1; A. M. Wynn, $1; One-third Mission collection, $60; Children at Magog, $2.59; Room rent Magog cottage, $5.75; Cash, $50; U. A. Vanady, $7.
- Rhode Island—Treasurer of Rhode Island and Eastern Connecticut, $6; Providence local, $2.
- Vermont—B. M.CASwell, $7; Children Bethel Campground, $3.60; Waterbury local, $2.50.
- Virginia—E. A. Wundage, $1.
- Washington—Mrs. S. C. Stanley, $5; Seattle local, $5; Mrs. L. W. Chapman, $1.50.
- Sales, $8.95. All Nations subscriptions, $29.72.
- Total receipts, $619.99.

**Aurora College Fund**

Amount desired, $500.00

Previously reported, $333.97

Received this month, $35.00

Balance needed, $141.03

We had hoped to have the full $500 for the college by October 19; but as will be seen we still lack $141.03; about half of this is pledged, and we intend to keep at it until we have the full amount. Who will give $10 to help clear it off?—MAUDE M. CHADSEY, Treasurer.
Plan for Raising Miss Keeney's Salary

We promised last month to give you in this issue details of the plan for raising Miss Keeney's salary. Miss Keeney goes out as the Young Woman's Auxiliary Missionary and the plan for raising her salary is: That each person who gives one dollar will become an associate missionary with her and will have one day's share in her work assigned to them. They will receive a share card, on the face of which is Miss Keeney's picture, and the date for which she is working for them; on the reverse the poem "An Associate Missionary's Prayer." Miss Keeney will have a calendar on which are marked the names of those supporting her. The supporters are asked to write to her and make her a special subject of prayer on their day.

One person may take as many shares as they desire, and the money is to be paid on or before the date assigned; therefore, when you receive your share card you will know when you are expected to send your money. This is a grand object for our Loyal Workers and other young people's societies to take up. Already several have taken shares; and we trust there will be many others who will do so. The share cards will be sent out this month.

Anyone desiring further information regarding the plan are asked to write to the W. H. & F. M. office, 5 Whiting St., Boston, regarding it. Some 150 shares are already taken.

MISS Keeney sailed on the Arabic, Tuesday, the 24th, at 9 a.m., along with a band of twenty-nine Baptist missionaries bound for Burmah, Assam and South India. A company of some thirty friends were at the pier to bid her God speed as she started on her long journey. She will reach her destination sometime the first of November, to begin her work as our representative.

THE FIFTH GOSPEL

"You are writing a Gospel
A chapter a day;
By works that you do,
And words that you say,
Men read what you write,
Whether faithless or true,
Say, what is the gospel
According to you?"

CRADLE ROLL

Helen Lydia Osborne, Roxbury, Mass., April 6, 1912.
Cyrus Tygger Cunningham, Wakefield, Mass., May 2, 1912.
Myrtle Elizabeth Lawrence, Southbridge, Mass., March 18, 1908.
Edwin Hugh Lawrence, Dodge, Mass., November 11, 1907.