THE WORK PROGRESSING

C. H. Hudson

YOU will be glad to know that the cause of Christ here is slowly, but surely progressing. Tracts are being printed and distributed, the Word is being preached and we can truly say that God does not fail in giving the reward, for one by one men's hearts are being turned from idols to the true and living God.

Two weeks ago we held a baptismal service in a near-by village, the candidate was a brother of our teacher in that place, and an ex-soldier. Our baptistry was a beautiful tank surrounded by trees not far from the school to which we retired and had a quiet little communion service before leaving. Last Sunday, February 16, we baptized a young Brahmin, this young fellow is the fruit of our Malabar work. Through teaching in our school, he was led to study the Bible and finally to accept the Saviour revealed therein. He was led into the waters of baptism after making a good confession and breaking before all gathered the sacred cord that means so much to the Brahmins. (This cord is worn over the left shoulder and under the right arm. The investing of the same is attended with much ceremony and marks the time of their second birth. Hence the name "the twice-born" which is applied to this caste. After this ceremony they are permitted to read the "Vedas," or Hindu Scriptures.)

This service was a fitting climax to a day that we spent together in carrying the Gospel to several villages. Our young friend, although suffering from the effects of a recent operation, was anxious on all occasions to give in his testimony, telling others of the Saviour he had found. Pray earnestly for this young fellow, who has lost all that this world holds dear (for the time being only, we hope), wife and child even have been taken from him.

At the close of this service five young girls, the objects of definite prayer by certain members of our Prayer Circle, were brought before us for examination, they were accepted by the Board, and will be baptized in due course.

Our need at this time is the prevailing prayer of God's people. Thousands are in hearing of the Gospel, but only few are accepting. Those of you who are supporting children in our orphanages and schools put up a mighty volume of prayer in their behalf, and remember how active are the forces of sin and evil holding these people in bondage.
I T does not seem possible that I am really one whole week on my journey home. Home yet not home; India has come between me and my home. My heart is in India. I would almost by the East. Yet when I talk with others it seems that I feel the horror of the East more hension. They do not seem to have entered into the spirit of the country. The trend of the Eastern mind is not wholly beyond my compre-hension.

Miss W., a friend of some six years, is bringing home a young lady doctor who has become melancholy. They two, with Miss D., who came out on the same steamer with me, and I have a state room together. We are anxious over the doctor, of course, but still we are having a most delightful trip.

People on board seem very much interested in our work and ask a great many questions. I am working on the book marks which the Vilacherie boys printed, and people have asked to buy them so I shall sell some I think.

THE TALE OF TWO SHIRTS

Anna B. Hudson

S TITCH, stitch, stitch, with much chatter and many pauses, by perhaps as many women at some far separated local meetings, two shirts are cut out and made. One is pretty blue calico with shiny brass buttons, the other is plain, clean white. Both are packed and sent to Boston to await another packing for a longer journey to India. They arrive together, unpacked by eager hands and placed, side by side, with many brothers to wait their mission, that of gladdening the heart and covering the back of some brown boy.

The day arrives, a Saturday. When the dhoby brings home the clothes, two shirts are found to be beyond further wear or mending, and the closet is opened for new ones. Out comes our blue and white ones to be perfect fits, and we smile too at the innocent pleasure in two laughing faces over a new shirt.

Monday arrives and with it the buzz of machinery and noise of many boys and men at various work. Our boy in blue is careless to-day and gets too near the engine belting. Providence saves his life, but the belting makes havoc and rags of his new blue shirt. When he finds himself unhurt, then his dismay and grief rests upon his shirt. It is finished! It is positively beyond repairs, and he sadly shows its condition to receive another that is not near so much to his liking. And the pretty blue shirt, that knew so short an existence, is con-

d signed, minus its brass buttons, to the rag bag, from thence to come to light again as patches or for cleaning purposes.

But the white one, though there was just a shadow of envy on the boy's face, because it was not blue and had no brass buttons, is still covering his brown back, guiltless of patches, after receiving many hard beatings from the dhoby, and promises well to go through many more.

Such is the fate of the loving labor of our co-workers at home, some of the garments see many days of useful service, while others fall the victims of unforeseen accidents.

BITS OF NEWS FROM THE FIELD

J. M. Saunders

OSHUA was married February 19, to Elizabeth, one of the Guindy girls. He is teaching in the Perambakam school and is doing very fair work. His wife will now help him and I hope the two together will accomplish much good there. Do not get mixed on her name. Her Indian name is Ramiah and she took the name of Elizabeth when she was baptized. Joshua calls her by the latter.

Some of the school grants have come in this week. Guindy had an increase of $17 which made $267 for that. The villages altogether bring $362. We have not heard from Malabar yet. I do not know what Vilacherie will get, as we have not heard yet.

I would like to give you some idea of what it means to us to have frequent calls for letters from children. If one of us could devote our time to just this work I am sure that the people would have their every wish gratified, but it is impossible for one who has three or four different departments of the work to plan for and supervise to devote much time to correspondence. We would be glad to do all and more than the home friends ask for, if it were possible, but ours is only a mortal capacity, therefore we beg for a little consideration on the part of supporters, at least until such time as we have our number of workers enlarged.

The above was written in reply to a request some of the supporters of children had made, that they hear more often from their children. If the supporters would only bear in mind, that only the most advanced children can write in English (which is a foreign language to them), and necessarily their letters must be written in Tamil and translated by the teacher or missionary, they would realize the amount of work it makes to even send a letter from each of the children once a year. Many of the smaller ones are too young to write even Tamil letters, and to the supporters of these, the missionaries must write themselves. We are at present sending out the yearly letters and hope to have them all in the hands of the supporters by the end of the month.—Editor.
WHAT OTHERS THINK OF OUR WORK

It is one thing to recommend our own work and quite another to have outsiders recommend it, and it is encouraging, indeed, to the supporters, when others speak highly of it; therefore we are pleased to be able to give the opinions of two such this month. Those of our readers who were privileged to attend our Annual Convention at Alton Bay, N. H., in August, 1911 will remember that the speaker of the evening was Mrs. Ada Read Ferguson, wife of Dr. W. L. Ferguson, who has charge of the Baptist mission work in Madras. Dr. and Mrs. Ferguson returned to Madras last autumn, since which time Mrs. Ferguson has visited our mission twice. The following letter from her, we are sure, will be read with interest and pleasure:

My dear Mrs. Chadsey:

Last week I spent a day at Guindy and saw a lot of your work there and will write you the impression made on my mind concerning it, as it may be of interest to you to have an opinion from one of another mission.

The plant surprised me greatly as it is so far in advance of what one usually finds in a small mission in India. In fact in many larger ones, it is not often that one finds buildings, etc., in such order or so well adapted to the use intended as here. Surely they were planned by some one of broad vision and wise purpose.

The school buildings were specially well planned. I have never seen buildings which so pleased me for dormitory purposes. Plenty of light and air, all the ventilation needed and absolute safety, so far as one could see, for the girls, is insured by the unique method of iron strips used for lattice work on the sides of the buildings. Nothing at all like a prison was to be found in either place. Large, light, airy rooms only. Everything was in good order and well kept, showing that great care is constantly exercised. Only one who has had the care of such work in India can fully appreciate all that is included in all this. It is so easy to either criticise or praise unduly, but to one who has had experience with the countless details involved it is a pleasure to see things in such good condition.

I visited all of the classes, talked with teachers and in one case with one of our own girls who is there, in her case using Telugu which was not understood by Miss Saunders. I asked the girl if she was well and happy. Her looks answered the first question and in regard to the second she said, "Yes, Ammah, only I wish my father would come and see me and bring me a new cloth."

The little tots in the kindergarten under the tree were as cunning as could be and seemed so full of life. Both times I have been there I have been impressed with the kindness shown the children. These little ones come to the bungalow every afternoon and are given bread and plantains or bread alone. Another little thing which impressed me, although I really was not intended to know it, was that some boys who had brought a cart load of things for Miss Jones and had to wait for her to return from Madras, were standing outside and she went in and brought out a big bunch of plantains and gave to them, besides paying them well. A very little thing you may say, but those are the things which count out here and make one's attitude toward the people known.

We visited the Hudsons and found a lovely little home. Everything seemed to be running well. I think Mr. Hudson has entirely too much to do. He seems to me, to be solving the problem which we are all trying to solve, namely, how to teach the school children a trade that will help them when they leave the school. It does not solve the problem of self-support, but does help that of a trade. It seemed to me a fine work and I am anxious to have my husband go out there and see what is being done.

The reading room is in a fine location, seems to be doing a good work, and from all that I can learn the Mission is in good repute among other Missions. At any rate the missionaries seem to occupy the same position of trust and respect that is taken by the appointees of other Boards.

In fact I am delighted with the work I saw there and trust that soon all difficulties will be removed and that your work will prosper as it deserves to do. The only real criticism that I feel that I could make seems to me to be that from what I saw there is a tendency to do too much for the Indian people, and not to let them carry enough of their own burdens, but even that seems to be about to be remedied by putting the church more on its own feet. Kindness to the people seemed to be the rule and everything and body seemed in good spirits and condition.

May God bless you in your work at home and those who so faithfully and well have planned and are carrying out the work here. I do not know to whom the credit of the work here is due, but it was a master mind which planned it, and one that had an eye to the future and builded for it.

Most cordially yours,

Ada Read Ferguson.

Our mission was recently visited by a retired school inspectress. The following is what she wrote regarding the work:

This is one of many visits to the Advent Mission, Guindy. I have watched the work grow from its establishment fourteen years ago and progress still marks it. I have visited many mission schools in the capacity of inspectress and can place this institution as one of the best and happiest of its kind. I am especially struck by the bright manner of the girls. This is due in a great measure to their surroundings and the proper freedom allowed them.

H. W. Bernard,
Indian Educational Service (Retired).
February 13, 1913.
THE $500 FOR AURORA PAID

IT is with a thankful heart, that we report the full amount pledged for the Aurora room as having been paid to the treasurer of the college. There are twenty dollars in pledges that have not yet been paid into our treasury; but we believe these pledges are good, and have, therefore, advanced that amount from our general fund in order that our room might be dedicated free of debt this month. One of our Board members expects to visit Aurora early in the month, when a dedication service of the room will be held. President Jenks has promised us a cut of the room, and an article telling of its use, which we shall publish in this issue if received in time, if not it will appear in the May number.

THOSE of our readers, who were instrumental in sending the washing machine to Brother Hudson, in our September shipment, will be glad to know that it is being used and giving satisfaction. Brother Hudson writes:

“We are using the washing machine for our house washing. It works fine. It is too small for the boys’ washing, besides they have not sufficient time to wash their own clothes; their present time is fully taken up with more important work and studies; furthermore I would have to supervise it if they did it under the present circumstances and I have not the time for that either, so we are using it for the house and find it very handy.”

THE India boxes will go, we expect, on the “Canopic” which sails April 26. Therefore all goods to go in them must be at the office by the 23rd as the boxes will be closed on that date.

OUR readers will be sorry, as were the Board, to learn that Mrs. Allan is leaving our work this spring. She has ever been a most acceptable worker, and her articles in the paper have been much enjoyed; we hope to have something from her pen occasionally, even though she is not in the mission. Were the reason for her resignation any other but that of ill-health, we should endeavor to overcome it; but as it is, we can only accept her resignation with heartfelt regret and hope that she may grow stronger in a less trying climate and return to us again. The following is what she wrote the Board, which we give that our readers may understand why she resigns:

“It is with much regret I tender you my resignation of my work in the mission. My health cannot bear the strain of the work any longer, although the missionaries here have done all in their power to lighten my burden. I have given the work a year’s trial, and though it is not beyond the strength of a normal worker, it is beyond mine. The strain of the Madras climate, the strain of my particular age with an inherited delicacy, and the strain that attaches to orphanage work, are all too much for me. I have told the India Board that I am willing to consult the convenience of the work with regard to my time of leaving. I have no other work in view, and cannot think of any until I am stronger. I thank you all most warmly for the appreciation and kindness you have so uniformly shown me, and wish it were possible for me to continue to work under you.”

Mrs. Allan leaving the work makes our need for another man and woman, preferably a married couple, for the field all the more imperative. “The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest,
A CABLE from India, March 11, informs us that a little daughter has come to gladden the hearts of Brother and Sister Hudson. We hope to have her name on our cradle roll next month. Some of their friends have sent in contributions towards sending a baby carriage in the India box. If there are others who would like a share in this we shall be glad to hear from them.

A LETTER received from India dated February 24, informs us that the "Currie pump" has been installed and is working finely. We hope to have a picture of it for the paper soon. This pump which will be used to irrigate the Vilacherie compound, is the gift of Evangelist John M. Currie, Milton, N. H., and is called the "Currie pump" in honor of the one who made its installment possible.

BOSTON BIBLE SCHOOL HOME

NOW that we have raised the $500 pledged for the Aurora room, we hope that our locals and friends will turn their attention to raising funds to reduce the mortgage on the Boston Bible School Home, as special home work. We have already raised and paid $119.73 on this, since our annual convention. The mortgage now stands at $2,730.37; we would like to reduce this at least to $2000, before the end of July, when our fiscal year closes, and could easily do so if all interested would send in a contribution for the same. We shall report each month, commencing with the April issue, how the fund stands.

The matron of the home reports having received, during the past few weeks for use in the home, one barrel apples, Mrs. Emma Roberts; one dozen jars of fruit, Mrs. D. P. Libby; fifty cents in cash, Mrs. Sarah Bradford; one gallon maple syrup, Mrs. R. J. Robson; a box of groceries and canned goods, one bushel potatoes and $1.85 cash from Biddeford, Maine, local; two dozen pillow slips, all marked B. B. S. H., from Hartford, Conn., local; a box of groceries and canned goods, and $8.60 cash from Lawrence, Mass., mission society and Sunday school. The societies of the Lawrence church have also generously assisted one of the students this year. The treasurer of the home has also received for the support of the home the following: Hall Stream local, $3; V. P. Simmons, $1.10; Mary A. Elliott, $1; Boston local, $10; New Bedford local, $1.40; Somerville local, $5; Whitman local, $5.

The Massachusetts State President would like to hear from any local that desires to have the annual State meeting, in June, held with them. Address, Mrs. Carrie E. Scott, Linwood St., Abington, Mass.

HAVING been requested to write something about the Somerville, Mass., local, I will tell you a little of what we are doing. We have thirty-two members, fifteen of whom are honorary, and about twelve working members.

We support a boy in India, pay some toward Miss Saunders' support, beside donating considerable to the Boston Bible School home, our home church and to help the sick. Each month we meet at the homes of different members and after business is disposed of, serve supper to the honorary members and friends. We have a "Mission Offering" dish on the table and in this way raise four or five dollars each month. During the evening singing and a social time is enjoyed by all present. At our last meeting, held at Dr. Ransom's, Mrs. Chadsey was present and gave us a very interesting talk on the work in India. Last December we held a sale of aprons, fancy articles, candy and other things contributed which brought us over $90. So you see we are doing what we can, and hope to be able to do still more in the future.

Alice M. Smith, Sec.

YOU asked me to write a few lines for All Nations concerning our newly organized auxiliary. I will take this opportunity to write a little about each of our societies here. We held the first meeting of the local in February, this being the first time they had met since February, 1912. At this time we voted to have a meeting every other Thursday at 3 P.M. To-day was our first pleasant Thursday and there were nine members present. We voted in three new members. We also voted that this society should assume the support of a Bible woman in India for one year. We have finished four garments and one dozen towels for the April shipment to India.
We organized the Y. W. Auxiliary in March, with twelve charter members. The young ladies are very much interested and are preparing garments to ship with the others. Our first home mission work was to send to a mother and children (in quarantine because of scarlet fever) a pretty primrose. We expect to make various articles to sell and are planning to secure the names of forty housekeepers who will agree to use Worcester salt for one year, in exchange for which the company will send us one barrel of salt free, worth $6. We also contemplate some definite foreign mission work for our society later on.

On March 25th we organized a children’s mission band with ten charter members. We hope to add more and become strong enough to support a child in China or India. We anticipate with much pleasure a visit from Miss Jones. South Vernon, Vt. Addie I. Leavitt.

The Boston local of the W. H. & F. M. Society has one member of whom it is very proud. She is Mrs. Mary Y. Johnson, eighty years old, formerly of Portland, Me. She is one of the first to arrive at our mission meetings and works faithfully all day; and her cheery face is always an inspiration. In her spare moments at home she makes holders, and sells them for ten cents a piece, also needlebooks and cretonne bags, etc. All the proceeds of these articles, she cheerfully turns into the mission society.

During 1911 and '12 she gave this society, at different times, money to the amount of $10.75. This March she had $10 to give as the result of her work. When asked if she would like it put into any special line of mission work, she said no, we could use it, this year as we thought best, but next year she might stipulate for what branch she wished it used. Even at her age she is looking forward to another year of active service.

If we all had the energetic and ambitious spirit in our mission work of Sister Johnson, the petitions for money would be less frequent than they are to-day. Such service has its own reward. It blesseth him who gives, and him who receives. "God loveth a cheerful giver.”

Elizabeth McLean, Secretary.

The readers of our little paper may be interested to know how the East Norwalk, Ct., local is getting along, and what we have been doing this winter. We have been very busy embroidering corset covers and belts and making aprons, and have raised over $100; we have pledged $18 to the Vilacheri School, and are helping in the improvement of our church property.

We have eighteen members in our Society and we meet every Tuesday afternoon to sew, and the Lord is blessing us.

Yours in the work,
Mrs. Richard Bland.

On the evening of March 11, 1913, the members of the Boston Y. W. A. met at the home of Mrs. Maude M. Chadsey for their regular business meeting. This was an open meeting, to which was invited all members and friends of the church.

Our President, Miss Ethel B. White, presided with grace and dignity. Rev. C. O. Farnham opened the meeting with prayer, after which the secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting.

The report of the Program Committee was read, telling of visits to aged people who are shut-in at home, and how a program for their entertainment is prepared consisting of readings, dialogues, vocal and instrumental music. This is a small undertaking in itself, but the pleasure and enjoyment shown by the old people is delightful to see, and we are helped and blessed by such evenings.

The chairman of the Hospital Committee gave an outline of the work done by the Y. W. A. as they go about the wards of the hospital singing the Gospel.

The chairman of the Flower Committee reported regarding flowers sent to the sick.

We then listened to the program for the evening which was about David Livingstone. Readings were given by Miss Ethel M. Stevens, Miss Lillian F. Welch, Miss Bessie Farnham, and Mr. Horace M. Chadsey.

The President read a paper on the life of David Livingstone, which was much enjoyed by all present, in fact the entire evening was a pronounced success. The program closed with prayer by Mrs. Maude M. Chadsey, followed by a missionary hymn. A display of Indian and African curios was on exhibition and were examined with interest.

We are deeply grateful to our beloved Mrs. Chadsey for organizing the Y. W. A. The young ladies of the church have been united with a closer bond of fellowship and they have a greater desire to do for others, and by so doing, their characters have grown, and they have become more faithful to the church, and God has wonderfully blessed us.


On the afternoon of March 10, nine young ladies met at the home of Mrs. F. H. Leavitt, South Vernon, Vermont, and organized a young ladies’ mission society.

It was thought best to work for our home town for a few months until we were well established when we hope to take up some foreign work. The members expressed the wish to meet and hear Miss Jones speak. We feel that we could start our work with more interest if we could meet her personally and hear what she has to say of India.

We have great hopes for our society and feel that with God’s help we can do much to help others. We have fourteen members at present and hope to have more at our next meeting.

Elsie L. Martineau, Secretary.
A VERY interesting trip, and one which in time, we trust will prove helpful to the Mission work, was taken in February to Western New York. Leaving Springfield, Mass., January 24, after attendance at the closing session of the Mid-Winter Convention, we held the first meetings at Martville, N. Y., on Sunday, supplying in the A. M. for Pastor Dunham who was called away for service elsewhere. In the evening a mission meeting was held, and a large congregation, for such a scattered community, came together, and manifested much interest in the facts concerning our India work. The Martville local has now very few members, but the four or five sisters loyally keep up their dues, although unable to hold meetings on account of living so far apart. Sister Dunham and her capable daughter, Inez, were interested in a movement for a Junior organization. Seven children braved a blizzard on the evening of January 31, and gathered at the Pastor's home, and a promising Junior Band was organized, with the prospect of more members later on when weather conditions are more favorable. With Sister Dunham's gift for work with children, and her daughter's musical ability, we can expect a growing work with the Martville Juniors.

We were much interested in the new work at Alton, recently begun by Brother and Sister H. W. Davis. There is a bright cozy parsonage, and next to it the old hall which through the untiring labors of Elder Davis, has been transformed into a convenient and attractive house of worship. We expect to see the Home Mission effort now gaining ground, so enlarged that the foreign work will find a place in the activities of the earnest women of the Alton Mission. Our presentation of the India work was well received.

The following Sunday we had the privilege of attending the morning service in the Rochester church, and witnessing the baptism of three young people. Brother and Sister A. N. Smith, jointly conducted the service in a unique and charming manner. The mission service in the evening was well attended. We are hoping that the members of the Rochester Missionary Society are favorably considering the matter of adding another local to the General Society, because of the mutual benefit to be derived by such union in the work.

Penfield was next visited where a good local has existed for some time. Pastor Stone and his wife did a great deal to make our work profitable to the church and to the cause of missions. A strong effort was made to establish a Junior Society. The children were ready, but there was difficulty in securing a leader who could devote time to such work. We trust that there is one in view, and that the children may soon find their work in motion.

At Springwater we supplied for Pastor Raymond in the morning, and in the evening talked on the India work to a good sized audience, which resulted in some new subscriptions to All Nations; and the promise of the ladies to consider the matter of a local organization, a little later when parish conditions would permit them more spare time.

(To be Continued.)

NEW LOCAL

South Butler, N. Y., President. Mrs. Melvina Pierson; Vice-President, Mrs. Sarah E. Wescott; Secretary, Mrs. Carrie E. Dratt; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary E. Baird.

Treasurer's Report.

Receipts for March, 1913.

California—Lillian J. Williams, $15; Oakland local, $16; Los Angeles local, $4; Lordsburg local, $1.50; San Diego local, $10; M. Grant Nelson, $1; Carrie Tingle, $50; George F. Shey, $6.50; Santa Cruz local, $4.50; Napa local, $5; Pasadena local, $10; Mary Mushrush, $10; Santa Cruz S. S., $15.

Connecticut—Mary Staplin, $2; Plumb district S. S., $12; Bristol Church, $1.50; Ida M. Emerson, $1; Bridgeport local, $10; Grace L. Porter, $5; New Milford local, $3.50; L. H. Kinsman, $5.20; Hartford local, $14.

Florida—Lake City local, $5.50; Live Oak local, $5.81.

Maine—Flora F. Ham, $1; Amy Simmons, $1; Gertrude Simmons, 50 cts.; Auburn local, $1.50; Mabel Beardsley, $1; Mrs. J. L. Pease, $2; Ellenworth H. Wallace, $2; Miss F. C. Perry and friends, $3.50; Viola Gillander, $5.

Massachusetts—Zion Hill Mission, $2.50; Sarah Bradford, $1; Middleboro local, $4; Whitman local, $24.25; Fiskdale local, $3.50; Acushnet S. S., $3.50; Willing Workers' class, Acushnet S. S., $3; Boys' Junior Class, Acushnet S. S., $7.62; Adams local, $3.75; Annie F. Dewnap, $1; Somerville local, $10; Chelsea Y. W. A., $7; Lynn Y. W. A., $14.50; Augustus White, $10; Acushnet & Brayle Scation local, $1.50; Patience Sanford, $2; Worcester local, $15; C. W. Burlingame, $3; Whitman Church, 15 cts., Lynn Church, 70 cts.; a friend, $20; rent, $19.

New Hampshire—Pittsfield church, $15; Annie Kirby, $1; Evie Palmer, $25; Sugar Hill local, $1.50; Reginald Terrill, $3; Clarence E. Green, $5; Loudon church, $5; Jennie Charles' S. S. class, $3; Hampton church, $4.35.

New Jersey—C. A. Martin, $6.50.

New York—Stockholm church, $3.21; Schenectady local, $2.50; Stockholm S. S., $1.50; E. M. Van Dyke, $1; Celia Shepard, $1.50; Mrs. O. B. Stevens, $1.50; Olive H. Stevens, $1.50; Mrs. L. S. Donahue, 50 cts.


Nova Scotia—Bear River Junior Mission Society, $1; Bear River Cradle Roll Department, $2.73; Bear River local, $5.

Ontario—Toronto local, $1; the Eighth Concession church, $5.50; Osnabruck church, $2.23.

Oregon—State Treasurer, $25; John Day local, $10.50.

Pennsylvania—Geneva S. S., $8.

Québec and Northern Vermont—Montreal local, $13; Charlotteville, $2.

Rhode Island—Class number one, Lafayette S. S., $2.01; Providence local, $1; Eascoheag local, $1.50; Treasurer of Rhode Island and Eastern Connecticut, $15.

Vermont—Waterbury local, $3.50; Rutland S. S., $5; Richford local, $7; Newbury Cradle Roll Department, 40 cts.; Brattleboro Junior Mission Society, $1.40.

Sales, $2.50; All Nations subscriptions, $41.50; total receipts, $670.35.

Our receipts were about $200 less than our expenses this month; but fortunately we had a balance left over from the months in which the receipts have been more than the expenses, so were able to make our payments all right. We shall need a liberal support this month, however, and would ask that those who can do so will send in their gifts early.

Maude M. Chadsey, Treasurer.
INTERESTING EVENTS
Bertha E. Keeney

THIS month we were called upon to say good-bye to a true missionary, but our great loss will be your gain. We hope Miss Jones will have a well-earned rest and a happy time in America. She is bringing many beautiful and curious things from the East, which you will want to buy.

We all miss Winnie Allan too, especially with the girls. Some of her duties have fallen on me. We are glad, however, she has the opportunity now of attending Normal School.

The boys, girls, workers and American residents near Madras, including our consul and representatives of the Standard Oil Co. of America, met in different farewell parties; but the one I most enjoyed was at the home of one of Miss Jones' friends in Saidapet, where with a Bible woman, Miss Jones often called.

Although Lowkumari is a widow, we found her dressed beautifully and with many jewels. Her relatives are educated and do not oppose Christianity. She lives with her father and mother, and a beautiful little son is her joy and comfort.

Before dinner twelve Hindu girls about ten years of age sang for us some of their Tamil school songs. They were all pretty, light brown girls, beautifully dressed, with their caste mark, a small black circle, between their eyebrows. They attend a Hindu caste school, which is supported wholly by a wealthy uncle of Lowkumari, but they do not know a word of English.

Miss Jones suggested that I teach English to one of her Bible women, as no doubt she can teach it to girls like these in their homes and at the same time teach the Gospel. I have commenced to do so and as the Bible woman can read simple stories, I enjoy it very much. You know English sentences are said backwards to Indians as their's are to us.

Mr. Hudson recently married two of our girls to industrious Christian young men. Since Winnie Allan described so well an Indian Christian wedding, I will not repeat it. A third wedding was planned to be held at the same time, but the bridegroom’s Hindu relatives made it impossible for him to get here. He has written that he will soon try again to come. If he is persistent, he and she will have a large mission field among his village people.

I wish you could have attended our baptismal service the first Sunday in March. How good it seemed to see those five young Indian women thus tell to the world they henceforth would live for Christ.

I am so glad you have called for special prayer for an evangelist for this place. If China is ripe for such work, so is India. We realize it so much when we go to the Saidapet Reading Room and see those college young men gathered there to listen to whoever lectures. The last lecture by a young physician in the Madras Government hospital, on the subject, ‘What is Life’ was very instructive; and as he is a Christian he could teach much from the Bible also. I cannot help but think what a stupendous opportunity there is for some of our cultured men to work among that class of young men. Mrs. Allan describes the kind of man needed, as well established, well educated, even tempered, spiritual and persistent. Such a one could talk to and with audiences of young men, all of whom would be a match for him, and so intensely interested, courteous and refined.

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