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"Go Teach All Nations, and lo I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

The Lord giveth the word, the women that publish the tidings are a great host.—Psa. 68: 11, R.V.

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OUR SLOGAN FOR 1919-1920

$25,000 for the Work and

500 Souls for Christ

THE TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION


The devotional services conducted by Mrs. Helen W. Keeney and Mrs. Alfreda B. Wallace were helpful and inspiring.

The credential committee consisting of Miss Amy Tyler and Mrs. Ruth MacPherson reported fifty-seven delegates present, carrying two hundred and twenty votes. When the state and provincial reports were called for, it was found that every state and provincial organization had sent a report.

The treasurer gave a most encouraging report of the society's work. The business manager gave a survey of the field which showed that much progress had been made, and our hearts rejoice because His hand has led during the past year. The reports from the Y. W. A. and junior societies showed splendid work accomplished by our young people.

The report of the home department of the New England School of Theology made clear that our people are ever mindful of the needs of this department of our work.

Miss Flossie M. Quimby reported in a brief but most interesting way the work of the Home and Orphanage at Dowling Park, Fla. The noontide prayer was led by Mrs. Lettie Glazier.

The election of officers in the afternoon resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Maude M. Chadsey; first eastern vice-president, Mrs. Bertha S. Bemis; second eastern vice-president, Mrs. Helen W. Keeney; clerk of Maine corporation, Mrs. Nellie E. Fellows, Auburn, Me.; clerk of Massachusetts corporation, Mrs. Anna L. Piper, Boston, Mass.; treasurer, Mrs. Maude M. Chadsey, Boston, Mass.; director for three years, Mrs. Eva L. McKenna. The choice of the different sections for vice-president was: Mrs. N. G. Carter for southern, Mrs. Nina M. Collins for western, and the president of the Helpers' Union for central. These choices were ratified. The convention was enlivened at this time by a new feature presented by some of the Y. W. A. girls. Led by Mrs. Helen Keeney, they gave a fine exercise of singing and cheers.

An attractive coin calendar was presented to the convention and recommended as one way of raising money for the work.
A unique feature of the convention was the fact that two baby-sized black dolls occupied chairs on the platform. They were dressed in clothes of the most sensible style of the day, with buttons and snaps, and all the little touches so dear to a child's heart. These were sent to the convention by Miss Retha Glover, the Maine state president, with the request that homes be secured for them for the sum of $5 each, and that the money go to the New England School of Theology and Aurora College. It was finally decided that the convention should buy them, which was done by personal gifts from twenty-five cents to a dollar, and the $10 secured for the purposes mentioned. The convention then named them Miss Aurora College, and Mr. Boston Bible School, and sold them to the New Hampshire delegates for another $5, which was voted to be given to the Advent Christian Home and Orphanage. It was suggested that orders might be sent Miss Glover for similar dolls if they were desired. She is caring for an invalid mother, and takes this way of earning funds for the work of the Lord which is so dear to her heart.

The evening exercises as usual were most excellent. F. A. Blackmer, with his ever-ready chorus of men and women, were on the spot, and did good service. One feature of the chorus singing was the repeating of the exercise of the afternoon by the Y. W. A. Girls. This was done by request of the convention.

After Scripture reading and prayer, the "Secret Prayer" was sung by a quartette. This was much enjoyed as was the duet, "He Is All in All to Me," which was sung by Mrs. Theiss and Miss Sweetser.

The speaker of the evening was Mrs. Millie Arms Gibb, and the subject, "The Opportunity and the Need." The address was much appreciated by the audience.

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS: In the providence of God the work of our society has been signalily blessed the past year; be it
Resolved, That we recognize the favor of God in reaching the goal for $20,000, thereby making possible the necessary amount for the Saidapet Reading Room, the erection and establishment of the Bible Training School and the boys' dormitory. Also be it
Resolved, That we extend the goal of effort this coming year to $25,000.

WHEREAS: Jess M. Saunders, who has been permitted to give eighteen of the best years of her life to our missionary work in India, has resigned as superintendent of the India board, which position she has held for the past ten years, be it
Resolved, That we place on record in ALL NATIONS, and in the World's Crisis, a testimonial of our appreciation of her loving, faithful service as superintendent. And trust that she may have many years of fruitful labor as head of the Guindy Orphanage.

WHEREAS: Our Heavenly Father, knowing our need before we have called, has provided a new superintendent for our India board, be it

Resolved, That we extend a hearty welcome to the new superintendent, Brother C. H. Hudson of Velacherie, India.

WHEREAS: We are not satisfied that we reached the goal of 500 souls for Christ, be it
Resolved, That we keep rank and redouble our efforts and intercessory prayers for an outpouring of God's spirit upon our work and workers, to the end, that at least 500 souls may have their names written in the Lamb's Book of Life.

EMMA G. HALL,
DAISY F. BEZANSON,
GRACE P. STEARNS,
Res. Committee.

NELLIE E. FELLOWS, Clerk.

REPORT OF THE INDIA SUPERINTENDENT FOR 1918-19

J. M. SAUNDERS

In reviewing the work of the past year one can hardly do so without mentioning the unprecedented conditions which existed through the year, and which still exist. At the outset the great world struggle for freedom still called for service and sacrifice from every loyal subject. Then came the pestilence which was world wide and which strained to the utmost our powers of physical endurance. Following this the joyful news of the armistice, this in turn to be followed by an upheaval and distress of nations never before known, and now to us as well as many people of other nations, suffering, because of the shortage of food. "When ye begin to see these things come to pass then lift up your hands and rejoice." Truly we have need to rejoice greatly, that we are privileged to live, and serve our coming King in this day, and age, of earth's history. We have recognized that this is no time to slacken our zeal or grow weary in service, but rather should we double our diligence and determination to serve more unselfishly than ever. Who can look back over a year's work and feel perfectly satisfied; and yet, I am glad that there can be degrees of satisfaction.

First, there is great satisfaction in the knowledge that one has as co-workers the very best that heaven could choose and anoint for work in India. Then there is also satisfaction in the certain knowledge that every day in the year the "Gospel of the Kingdom" has been preached, it may be very imperfectly many times, but always with a heart desire to meet the need of earth's neediest people.

Our fourteen day and seven night schools are truth dispensaries, which, though given in child doses, is having a wholesome effect in the homes represented by the school children.

The return of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson to the Velacherie work has made a big difference there, now everything is humming with life and activity, and the rapidity with which church and hostel are being erected gives the whole compound a different aspect. Guindy keeps on in her even way, training girls to be good cooks, mothers, nurses, teachers and
Bible women; and always keeping to the forefront their spiritual development.

Two of our girls are in training for nurses, one expects to enter teacher training school this year, three of our own girls are qualified teachers and now teaching here in the school, and doing excellent work. Two are trained Bible women, one is doing voluntary work, the other is for a little time detained at home to care for a wee baby. One has been married during the year, another was taken to her home when influenza was raging and she died; this is the only death during the year.

Guindy has added to its teaching staff a qualified tailor, and the girls now have the privilege of learning to cut and make their own clothes. The usual tatting, crochet, and drawn-thread work is being done. Most of it is sent to America for sale. In addition to the daily Scripture study in the school, a special Bible class is held for the older girls once a week, the teachers and managers meet for prayers once a week.

The earnest work of the Loyal Workers requires special mention. After their regular Sunday afternoon meeting a number of them go to the villages and by song and testimony try to interest the people in Christian truths. This work has been the means of bringing into the school as day scholars a number of girls from the caste village. Seven of our girls have taken the all-important step, and by being baptized have made a public confession of their faith in Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Peterson did faithful work here at Guindy until December, 1918, when the present manager returned to take up her old work.

The new year looms large with opportunities and possibilities for Guindy. Our only desire is to fit into these as they are revealed to us from above.

Evangelistic and Zenana Work

This work has been a progressive one the past year, and those who have it in charge may well feel encouraged if not satisfied. The word is preached in all the different ways one can think of, by song and story, by posters, selling Scripture portions and religious literature, besides the free distribution of tracts. You will hear more of this work from the other reports. There have been eighteen baptized, four have died and one married. The church collections for the year were $137. We expect to enter teacher training school this year, another was taken to her home when influenza was raging and she died; this is the only death during the year.

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REPORT OF VELACHERIE WORK 1918-19
C. H. AND ANNA N. HUDSON

I fear that I can do scant justice in reporting a work with which I have only had three months active connection for the time under review.

It was with a feeling of gratitude that after an absence of nearly two years we took up the work again, gratitude to God for permitting us to return and to those who had kept the work going while we were away.

Velacherie with all kindred institutions suffered through the exigencies of the war. High prices, difficulty in obtaining supplies were contributing factors in restricting the work; but the cessation of hostilities, the removal of restrictions, and the liberal response of our people to our call for funds, has enabled us to make a move here which we trust will strengthen the work and increase our contribution to the spreading of Christ's Gospel in India.

The press has suffered most of all through high prices, and in many cases an absolute dearth of paper and other supplies; but we are hoping now that these things are moving with more freedom, that it will soon be possible to renew the former activity of this department. We have the cash in hand for a new Treadle Press to take the place of the Old Wellcome press which after twenty-seven years of service had to be scrapped. This is the gift of a member of the Wellcome family and we hope very shortly to be able to install this and continue the work that the old press was an instrument for so many years in doing.

During the past year we have distributed 464,820
The work in the carpentry shop has continued. Many useful articles of furniture have been made. The workers in that department are now busily engaged in making doors, windows, and furniture for the Church and Hostel. Special classes have been started for boys in this department as follows: Drawing, Workshop Arithmetic, Carpentry Theory and English. The latter class is taught by Miss O'Loughlin and is a great help to the boys. Many workshop and technical names can only be expressed through the medium of English as the Indian vernaculars have no equivalent for them, therefore a knowledge of English is essential. Further than this, familiarity with English opens up to the student a field of knowledge, an entrance into which many long to have. So we are trying to give our young people English. The Carpentry shop during the year has turned out $156 worth of work, the larger part of which was done for the mission.

Our family of boys is reduced somewhat in size but new boys are coming in. Several of the larger boys have left and are now earning the good salaries that their training here has made possible. Of the boarders who have passed through the school and of whom we have been able to keep in touch, thirteen are working as teachers, three as carpenters, two as printers, five as motor and engine drivers, seven as attenders and clerks, ten are in Army service in Mesopotamia (seven old boys and two workers). As far as we are able to tell, there is every reason to believe that all of these boys, with one exception, are living good clean Christian lives.

As to the work that we are at present doing and our plans for the future most of our friends are acquainted with them. A very nice church building has been erected, the building of which has been made possible through the generosity of Bro. C. M. Booth of Iowa.

Through the big jump in prices we have not been able to finish this work for the amount assigned, but we are hoping that the balance will be made up. We are truly grateful for this Church, and while it does not quite come up to the Providence, Aurora, or Los Angeles churches, it is in the same class of building and looks good to everybody here. The walls are built with bricks and plastered inside and out, the roof is covered with Mangalore tiles. The Inside is finished with a very fine hardwood from Burma. The wood-work has all been done by the boys and is a credit to them. We must not forget to mention the part the Indian Christians have had in this building. They are raising $200 toward the furnishings. One man is giving the pulpit which cost him over two months' salary; another a pulpist chair; others communion table, lamps, pulpit Bible and several articles of lesser value, but of equal need. Our dedication service takes place the second Sunday in June and we are looking for a large gathering at that time.

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Fellow workers in Christ, we want your prayers for this work. What will be the use of our fine church if we fail to reach the people? We are surrounded by thousands of worshippers of wood and stone, and we feel a heavy burden of responsibility resting upon us for them. Pray that God's spirit may flow through us that these people may be reached, that our Church may truly be a lighthouse in this dark and dreary land.

The Bible School and Boys' Hostel is in course of construction. Prayer is the need here also. The money for this building has been liberally given and our present difficulty is to rightly spend it, or to make it stretch to the limit of our needs. We had planned putting in a re-inforced concrete floor in this building, but a search through all of the iron bazaars revealed the fact that there was not enough iron in Madras to supply our need if we had the money to buy, and so we are compelled to use brick and stone. The high price of timber prohibits us from putting in all wood floor or roofs, even if the climate would allow it. Therefore we must use concrete and brick in order to resist the sun and keep within available funds.

We firmly believe that God's hand is in this work. Difficulties have presented themselves and have been overcome, the finances have been handsomely provided, the bulk of the money has come in small sums assuring us of the good-will of many. Some liberal gifts have been received, the last was for $500, from the Stewart Fund, through Mr. Blackstone the trustee, for library and teaching equipment. Our needs in this direction are now well supplied.

This brings us to the question of students. We have some young men in mind, old students, that we would like to give the benefit of this special training and prepare for active Christian service. They are all in good positions, mostly as teachers, and will be called upon to make some sacrifice, but it is only those who are willing to do this that are worth expending effort over. Pray that only such may be led into this service.

Those who read the June "Velacherie News" in ALL NATIONS, will remember the item regarding Anglo-Indian or Eurasian children. The committee in Madras who has the disbursement of the funds left for the education of these children have decided in favor of our school as their future home and as we write these lines we expect our first draft. We have prepared a comfortable little home for them and are thankful that our Roman Catholic friends are not to have a monopoly of these children.

I think it will be evident to all that our greatest need at present is Prayer. Can we depend upon you for it?
REVIEWING THE PAST YEAR’S WORK

R. L. PETERSON

In reviewing the work of the past year we find that our time and efforts have been divided in the following manner:

“Evangelistic Effort in the Vernacular”

In connection with our village school in what we call “the canal circuit” more evangelistic effort has been put forth than the previous year. Together with the teacher of the school, Zacheriah, my helper, and myself have held services in the village where the school is located, and sometimes surrounding villages. What the fruit of these services has been, or will be, we cannot say. We cannot point to definite conversions, but we can say there are many interested persons whom we trust may some day have the courage to break away from caste and custom and to act upon their convictions. In our village preaching and personal work the message of the soon coming of Christ has been given special emphasis. Attention has been called to the signs, so prominent in India as well as elsewhere in the world, which our Scriptures teach will precede His coming.

We have been surprised to see how this theme has arrested the thoughtful attention of all castes. The recent war, hard times, a pending famine, the spread of disease, the influenza epidemic closed many meetings. There has been also a spirit of unrest, a sort of antipathy toward things European, on the part of the students of the colleges, and by others as well. The talk of home rule for India, and the influences toward it on the part of Mrs. Besant and her theosophical sympathizers, has had its effect especially upon the Hindus, and it has been difficult to interest them in Christian meetings. They will come to socials and public lectures on secular themes or subjects quite readily; but to Bible classes and sermons it is quite a different matter. However, we have had a good many splendid meetings with good attendance. During the year Government established a business college or training school to prepare young men for work, in the railway, postal telegraph and other departments of Government service; overseas in Egypt, Africa and Mesopotamia. These students attended our services when privileged to do so by the commanding officers. We have sent some of our young men through this school, and they are now earning as much as six times the salary they would receive for similar work in India. Their training course being only three months with pay and rations while training. We know from letters received that many have been helped spiritually, and so the influence of our work reaches distant lands.

The work at Saidapet this past year has had several hindrances. The influenza epidemic closed our work for several weeks, then on top of that came a siege of cholera and no one came to public meetings. There has been also a spirit of unrest, a sort of antipathy toward things European, on the part of the students of the colleges, and by others as well. The talk of home rule for India, and the influences toward it on the part of Mrs. Besant and her theosophical sympathizers, has had its effect especially upon the Hindus, and it has been difficult to interest them in Christian meetings. They will come to socials and public lectures on secular themes or subjects quite readily; but to Bible classes and sermons it is quite a different matter. However, we have had a good many splendid meetings with good attendance. During the year Government established a business college or training school to prepare young men for work, in the railway, postal telegraph and other departments of Government service; overseas in Egypt, Africa and Mesopotamia. These students attended our services when privileged to do so by the commanding officers. We have sent some of our young men through this school, and they are now earning as much as six times the salary they would receive for similar work in India. Their training course being only three months with pay and rations while training. We know from letters received that many have been helped spiritually, and so the influence of our work reaches distant lands.

Men come from all parts of India to study in the different schools at Saidapet, they stay a few months, some two years, then go again. We have just heard that the new engineering college which has been under construction the past five or six years is to be opened this fall, with an attendance of over six hundred students. This college will be a residential school where a good many of the teachers and all the students will reside during the school year. It is located about two miles from our Saidapet reading room, and will increase our scope of work.

In writing about this work may we suggest something of our needs in order that we might be more efficient? We need a man who will be able to devote his whole time to this work. If not the whole of his time the most of it, and this work should be first. We need also a good native helper, a well-educated young man whose heart is on fire to do so. In writing reports we realize as you do not, the difficulty of understanding things as they are in India.

One new school is being opened this year of which we will report elsewhere. This school bears evidence of being the means of a great blessing to many, and we believe the way by which they will also find God.
for his fellow men. If he be a convert from one of the higher castes it would be well, but not necessary. It has its weight, however. The educated Hindu or Mohamedan, though he may be extremely polite and cordial, is bigoted and hard to convince on religious matters. If he clings to caste observance, he will not, as a rule, condescend to listen to one whom he deems to be of inferior birth. Perhaps some one will come to do this work, and may be God has an assistant for that some one. The work could all be done in the English language. Will not our friends pray for these two needs.

We cannot do it justice when trying to tour the villages in the vernacular work, as many times we are miles away travelling on almost unpassable roads in heat and dust; and we are mentally, physically, God has an assistant for that some one. The work could all be done in the English language. Will not our friends pray for these two needs.

We cannot do it justice when trying to tour the villages in the vernacular work, as many times we are miles away travelling on almost unpassable roads in heat and dust; and we are mentally, physically, and too often spiritually, too tired to do the work when we get back to Saidapet. We must neglect one or the other.

We have not been able to purchase the property which we are using at present. The owner seems indifferent about selling. We hope our friends who contributed for this work will be patient with us a bit longer as we hope to report favorably later on. Buying property from a man who must consult a horoscope, his family and relatives, etc., may be a harder proposition than you think, because when you approach him it may not be an "auspicious occasion." If this property cannot be secured there is another place which can be had at a higher price. You will please pray for this also.

Our Church Work

This work is carried on largely by our Indian brethren, the services on Sundays being taken by evangelists or teachers, except once each month on Communion Sunday, when we take charge.

During the awful times of sickness the past year we were mercifully spared. We have only four deaths to report among our members. There have been three marriages, and the rite of baptism given to eighteen persons. There are a few who are classed as inquirers whom we hope to be able to baptize soon. With our Sunday-school and young people's work, our yearly summer school for our workers, we feel that we are accomplishing a good, though perhaps not a large, work in this part of the Lord's vineyard.

And now lest my report should be too long or overlap on some one else's work, I will close with humble thanks to God, who has ever been mindful of us, giving us every blessing, trusting that He will receive our work, bless the seed sown, forgive wherein we have come short, and if time continues the coming year one of still greater blessing and accomplishment both for you and us. Let us labor together, the time is short and the harvest may soon be ended.

Guindy, Madras, India, April, 1919.

JELDENPET CIRCUIT REPORT FOR 1918-19

ELLA L. JONES

"INDIA will never be Christian." The voice was confident and the head held high in self-assurance.

Let God answer: "Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, my counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure: Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yes, I have spoken it I will also bring it to pass. I have purposed it, I will also do it. Hearken unto me, ye stout hearted, that are far from righteousness: I will bring near my righteousness; it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry."

Praise His name! The stout hearted resist, but "the ravenous bird, the man that executeth my counsel," the missionary is here, and the will of God shall be done, there is no doubt concerning it. You who have prayed for five hundred souls this year, does it "seem to tarry"? If so, "Wait for it."

We have made a decided advance in our evangelistic work. Our, one by one, praying band enlarged its work in February, and now meets on Friday nights at a given center to carry out a two days' program arranged by the committee of three which they have appointed. Our object is to preach the Gospel, paste up posters, sell Scripture portions, and give away tracts in every group of houses on Jeldenpet circuit. We have met twice since our decision, and can report blessed seasons together. On the two trips, one hundred Scripture portions were sold, posters were pasted on the road sides on the outer walls of houses, and by sheltered doorways. Everywhere, and on all occasions, the judgment message, its imminence, and how to be ready for the hour, was our theme, as it ever has been and always shall be.

Every month, as many days, as strength will permit, are spent among the people in company with two Bible women. As we go over the ground, month after month, we can see that the people are gaining in knowledge. Sometimes the heart fairly sings at what some village person tells us, because we know that one more soul has gained knowledge enough for salvation.

Mr. Abesaganthan spends his days among the people as a full-time evangelist; and Mr. Arokiaswami spends the mornings among his people.

I cannot report one baptism on Jeldenpet circuit, yet I know good soul-saving work has been done and rest upon the assurance of my Master. Our two little congregations have held their own, and hold apparent rich promise of substantial increase, but there I must leave it.

In Nukumpalliam we have gained a great victory over the caste people who made life a long, sad day
of trouble for the Christians and outcastes. After years of effort their little houses are secure. A heavy fine imposed last year has been refunded by Government. It is to be paid to me, and I, in turn, promise to oversee the digging of a well for them. Land for a small prayer room and night school in the chéri has been promised.

Ponnmar church has added a few dollars to its church fund, and a Sunday evening cottage prayer-meeting has been added to the Wednesday evening one. Two of the members died at the opening of 1919, and rest in hope.

We have not yet obtained a proper burial ground. The site chosen proved to have a hard-rock pan two feet down; but we have now found a lovely site where a six-foot grave can be dug without striking a stone, and hope that Government will give it to us.

Our Sunday-schools and church services continue as before, with seasons of depression and seasons of rejoicing, with now and then a note sounded to tell one the heart work goes on.

School Work

We feel to praise God for the three hundred and seventeen children given us to influence. You will see that the number has lost by thirty-six. The stress of living is one reason. Two day schools attended only by outcastes are at present without day-school scholars. We hope to shortly overcome this by moving both schools to the edge of the chéri where both castes and chéri children may attend.

Two night schools have been held in Abeyanu for a few months. At Nukumpaliam the caste people frightened the chéri people so that they are afraid to send their children to the school that is in the village; but this will be overcome as soon as Government gives us permission to build in the chéri.

Jeldenpet night school awaits a teacher. As many of the young teachers go overseas in Government employ, we here in India are hard pressed for workers. At present a Hindu teacher is the only one available for Jeldenpet. While he is sort of a believer and a very good man, I deplore the condition, and long for a proper teacher, who will live Christ and start the night school again.

The saddest note struck in our work was the death of Sounthararajalu, that removed one of our very best and most trusted teachers. Until Jeldenpet has a good teacher, his place will in no wise be filled.

Three of our believing school children fell asleep in Jesus, but someway over them the heart is glad; they are so safe.

Our Nukumpaliam children’s praying band have prayed the bad boy I wrote you about last year, into a Christian high school, thus the children work with God.

In the new year our program calls for greater, unselfish consecration and deep, soul-satisfying companionship with the indwelling God our perfect portion.

A BACKWARD GLANCE AT THE YEAR 1918-19

ZElla A. PETERSen

O N E of Christ’s admonitions to us was to take care of the little things faithfully; and we know from experience that it is the little words, the little deeds, the little acts of kindness, that go to make up the big things and bring forth the big experiences of life. Some of us are too prone to despise the smaller things and wish to figure on things that look big in our eyes. But the smaller deeds that go to make up Christ’s work must be done by some one, and if that some one chosen be me, then it is my duty and privilege to do it and do it faithfully.

The past year has been spent mostly in doing the little things, fitting in where needed, and trying to do them to the best of my ability. In looking back, we have much for which to thank and praise Him, who keeps watch over all. First of all, that, although many fell from the ravages of sickness and disease, our lives, together with the lives of our girls have all been spared. Then again, while so many lands and people have been in turmoil, strife and bloodshed, we have been kept in safety. We thank and praise Him for all His great goodness to us.

After the return of Mr. and Mrs. Hudson, the work at Guindy was resumed by Miss Saunders, and we took up the Zenana work in Saidapet. The Bible woman, Mrs. Christian, who had been working there, was taken ill, so it became necessary to find some one else. At present we have a young woman about twenty-seven years old who understands English very well, and who has had nine years’ experience in teaching school. We believe she will develop into a very valuable worker, for she is a consecrated Christian and loves this sort of occupation. We find Saidapet a hard field in which to work, as the population is so constantly changing. At the present most of our pupils are young girls of about fifteen or sixteen years of age and a few children. Two of these girls are Brahman and married.

We are praying that we may get the older women interested and willing to listen, and we believe God hears prayer. We ask you as our co-workers at home, to make this a special subject of prayer, that not only may the homes of Saidapet be opened to us, but that the women may be induced to listen to the Gospel story.

In the coming year we hope to press forward and bring the story of His love and His salvation to many, not only in Saidapet, but in touring in more distant villages. Visible results may not be forthcoming; but we do, the will of Him who said, “Go ye,” and we know that He will help, guide and direct, if we do our part to further the Gospel of His salvation and His kingdom.

Guindy, April 26, 1919.
January 1919 made a year since I came to Guindy. It has been a year fraught with many blessings and much happiness for me. My work is mainly educational, and, last year, was wholly in connection with the girls' school at Guindy. This year Mr. Hudson has asked me to supervise his boys' school at Velacherie, and to take a special class in English. Two afternoons during the week are devoted to this.

There are seventy-five children on the roll of the Guindy girls' school. Our largest class is the kindergarten, we have children from two to thirteen years old in it. The older children in this class are those who have either just come to us, or who are naturally dull and unintelligent. Happily there are not many of these, and when one stops and thinks about what many of these children have at the back of them, and the conditions under which they were born into the world it seems a matter for wonder that there are not more like them.

We have some little caste children in this class this year, day scholars, from Guindy caste village. We have been working and praying for this all last year, and our hearts are very full of gratitude today for answered prayer. The caste people everywhere are generally very difficult to reach and touch, so as to make a lasting impression; these here in Guindy, especially, are most exclusive and the desire to at least get in the children and give them a chance of getting to know and to love Christ, lies very close to the hearts of the teachers.

In December last year, a caste woman from Saidapet walked into school one day, and asked us to admit her daughter, Kuppammal, as a day scholar. She is a beautiful girl, about twelve or thirteen years old, and as bright and lovable as any child could be. The other girls all love her. None of the caste teaching she has probably had from babyhood upwards, seems to have had any effect on Kuppammal, and to her clear, childish perception, there is no pollution in the touch of our other Panchama (outcaste) children who run to meet her when they see her coming to school. She has brought her ten year old sister to school with her this year. The parents of these children are very anxious for them to learn English and so are willing to overlook caste distinction. "Teach our children English and we will send them to your school," is what one hears all around.

There is so much reason in this longing of the Indians to learn English. Their own language, Tamil, as ordinarily spoken, has a limited vocabulary, a limited stock of poetry and good prose works, consequently less scope for inspiration, more scope for the narrow outlook on life that dwarfs so many of our Indian people, especially the women. There are phases of our lives, our emotions and experiences, that a man or woman who knows only Tamil can never enter into. The Tamil translation of some of the most sacred and most beautiful passages in our English Bible, and some of our
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ANNUAL SURVEY OF THE FIELD 1918-1919
MAUDE M. CHADSEY, BUSINESS MANAGER

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FINANCES

This year, as last, we are privileged to report the forming of one Provincial or State organization. Last year the State organization of South Georgia and Florida was formed; this year the Provincial organization of Nova Scotia was established.

According to the reports received seven new locals have been organized, two re-organized; two new Y. W. A.'s organized and one re-organized; and five new Junior Societies organized; these with the Provincial organization make eighteen new societies for the year. These reports also show that nine societies have become inactive thus leaving a total gain in organizations for the year of nine. This makes us some one hundred and seventy-five active organizations, with about ten more whose activity is doubtful.

The reasons for the societies becoming inactive, or going out of existence, are many. The following are a few of the most prominent: The local church growing weak and giving up its activities; an active missionary pastor leaving, and a non-missionary or passively missionary one taking his place. And in the case of the Y. W. A. and Junior Societies the changes which growing up, and settling in life, naturally bring.

We now have a State organization in all the conferences on the Pacific Coast and in the South Georgia and Florida conference in the South. In the East, we have no State organizations in the following conferences: Hoosick Valley, Vermont, Catskills, Pennsylvania and Southern New York, North Eastern New York and Ontario. (Since this survey was written North Eastern New York and Ontario has organized.)

Some of the States have an organization in every active church in their conference, but in most of the State and Provincial organizations there are still churches in which there is no branch of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society. This is a matter for the State and Provincial presidents to consider and remedy if possible. While the officers of the General Society must work to secure State organizations where there are none.

Reports have been received from all of the State and Provincial secretaries, and from eleven of the scattered locals which are not in State or Provincial organizations.
at $20,000.00. This seemed rather a high mark in view of the fact that the annual income for the last five years had averaged only $12,207.52. However, the results have justified the attempt for the treasurer’s report shows that the cash receipts for the year amounted to $20,584.58 of which only $50 was a conditional gift, the balance being clear gifts for the work.

The treasurer’s report also shows that the pledge of $500 for the Advent Christian Home and Orphanage has been overpaid by $119.42; and there is $58.81 to the credit of the Home Department of the New England School of Theology, which will be used in painting the dormitories before the school opens in October. It is a pleasure to be able to report that when the Home closed in May the treasurer of the directors reported all bills paid to date.

Notwithstanding the fine showing of receipts mentioned, the balance in the treasury at the close of the fiscal year was a very meager one; however, all the bills were paid, and had the belated $156.75 reached the office earlier a more creditable balance would be shown. The special fund which Miss Quimby is raising for the Advent Christian Home and Orphanage is not to count on the $500 annual pledge made by the society, but to be used for the special purposes for which she raises it, and the balance raised by her will be paid to the treasurer of the A. C. Home and Orphanage at the close of her itinerary. The other special funds raised during the year were, the balance of the Bible Training School and Hostel fund, the Automobile fund, and the Famine Relief fund.

According to the reports received, our societies have given to the support of the home churches $2,715.91, which has not passed through the hands of the general treasurer and is therefore not included in the $20,584.58 reported. If it were, the sum total would read $23,100.49. In a small way we have proven the truth of Carey’s classic, “Attempt great things for God, and expect great things from Him.”

Field Work

During the months of August and September last, Mr. and Mrs. Hudson visited several of the campmeetings and churches in the East, and a few churches on the Pacific Coast before sailing for India.

Much good work has been done in the different sections under the direction of the State officers. One fact of special note is that at most of the State and Provincial conference sessions the Woman’s Home and Foreign Mission Society are given a service, for which a good speaker is provided. This does much to keep the interests of missions before the people and benefits both conference and mission society.

In June it was the privilege of the general president to attend the Nova Scotia conference and she took the occasion to visit the churches in Northern and Eastern Maine, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, in the interests of the work. That this was a busy trip will be readily seen by the fact that in a thirty days absence from the office twenty-eight addresses were given. The Nova Scotia Provincial organization was one of the outcomes.

“All Nations”

Much to the surprise of the business manager, the receipts for ALL NATIONS this year only exceeded those of last year by $39.75, notwithstanding the fact that the subscription price of the paper was advanced ten cents a year, and the list of subscribers had increased slightly. And after looking into the matter she was forced to the conclusion that this fact was caused because so many had allowed their subscriptions to get in arrears. Doubtless the office is at fault in falling to send out reminders; and this matter will be one of the first attended to after the campmeeting season is over, with the result, we trust, of a better showing next year. That the little paper is one of the most fruitful ways of bringing the work before the constituency is an undisputed fact; and although it is not self-supporting, according to the subscriptions received, still in the final results it is one of the society’s most valuable assets.

Conditional Gifts

Only one conditional gift of $50 has been received during the year; while last year these amounted to $1,150. One sister who had given $100 conditionally fell asleep during the year. This leaves the amount of conditional gifts held by the society at $3,200.

All our workers should keep in mind this plan of helping the work and use their influence to secure such, as opportunity is offered, for it not only assures the society of the gift ultimately, but assures the donor of a good rate of interest during his or her lifetime.

Mission Boxes

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson took with them a well filled box when they returned to India in October last, although they were obliged to leave behind the canned goods and dried fruit that was being sent to the mission, as no foodstuffs were allowed to go.

A box will be sent from the office the last of September, and we understand that one is going from the Pacific Coast this fall also. All gifts for the September box should reach the office not later than September 15. Foodstuffs can be sent this year we are informed.

One box and several parcel post packages were sent during the year to the Advent Christian Home and Orphanage at Dowling Park, Florida; and there are several parcels now at the office for Miss Quimby to take.

India Field

Splendid reports from the India Field have been received, which we know you will be interested in listening to, and which will be printed in the Convention number of ALL NATIONS. In reading these
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The India field ends with March in order that their reports may reach us before the end of July. This will explain any seeming discrepancies in money received from America, etc.

Briefly summarized, these reports show that seven missionaries, including Miss O'Loughlin, who, although not a regularly accepted missionary is one to all purposes and intents, and fifty-one Indians are giving their full time to the furtherance of the work; five evangelists and five Bible women give their full time to their respective work; while sixteen men and eleven women teach in the schools, the women doing Bible woman's work and the men acting as evangelists in their respective villages in most cases.

The church membership now numbers 205; and there are fourteen Sunday-schools with 544 children in attendance; eighteen were baptized during the year; and the church collections for the year amounted to $137, and the extra collections for war relief to $22. There was raised on the field during their fiscal year $2,593 of the $11,793 expended. There are fourteen day and seven night schools with 910 children in attendance. The pages of Christian literature printed numbered 298,287 and 464,280 pages were distributed. This has nearly exhausted the literature in stock. The reason for not printing as much as usual was the dearth of paper and other press supplies. The earnings of the press for the year were $379.

The erection of the Booth Memorial Church and the Bible Training School and Hostel at Velacherie has kept the boys in the carpenter shop busy, while special classes have been introduced there for the boys' benefit. The earnings in this department amount to $156. The Indian Christians are giving the furnishings for the new church which will cost about $200.

One of the most pleasing things in connection with the Velacherie work is the fact that it has been chosen by those who had the control of a work to help the Eurasians, as a proper home for some of the boys in their charge. Several boys have already been sent and as a fair price is paid for them, it helps the work financially, and extends its influence greatly.

More effort has been put into the evangelistic work this year, and while only eighteen baptisms can be reported, the hearts that have been touched and won for Christ cannot be readily counted, for the conditions peculiar to India, make it very hard for an individual to come forward and publicly confess Christ in baptism. That the spiritual life in the villages has reached a higher standard is easily seen by the workers' reports.

The Saidapet reading room is still a rented house although the $1,500 given to purchase the same is in the treasury. The owner for some reason refuses to sell.

These are but gleanings from the missionaries' reports; read them and you will learn much more.

Nevada

Last year our slogan was "$20,000 for the work and 500 souls for Christ." We reached the goal on the dollar part, but fell far short, from outward appearances, on the spiritual line.

What was the reason? Did we spend more thought and time in raising funds, than we gave to prayer and work for spiritual results? If such was the case, then our greatest need this year is for more prayer and work along spiritual lines.

Some of us may have felt that the soul-winning was to be done by the missionaries; but while it is a fact that they must give the personal touch in India, we can have our part in helping them by intercessory prayer.

We also need a man for the new Bible Training School at Velacherie. A brother from the Middle West was expecting to go out this fall to take that place, but the influenza, which he had in the winter left him in a physical condition, which obliged him to change his plans. Another brother in the East is preparing himself for the field, but will not be ready for three or four years.

The India superintendent also asks for a man and wife to devote their full time to the Saidapet work.

During the past year the plant at Velacherie has been greatly improved. This coming year the Guindy buildings should be improved by the enlargement of the Girls' orphanage and putting a second story on the big bungalow. One hundred dollars has already been received towards enlarging the orphanage. It will probably need $2,000 more to make the necessary changes in both buildings.

Our missionaries and workers on the field are paid in rupees at the rate of three rupees for a dollar, that is if we give their salary as $60 a year it means they get 180 rupees. The three rupees for a dollar being the par exchange between India and America. For the last year, however, rupees have been at a premium, and for the past three months have ranged from forty to forty-two cents. This means that more American dollars must be sent in order to pay the salaries. And where we have been sending $900 each month we should now send $1,134 in order that they may receive the same amount. How long this high rate of exchange will continue it is impossible to tell, but while it does we must meet the conditions and send more money. To meet this and the other regular demands the income should average at least $1,500 a month.

And we need as ever to keep ALL NATIONS to the front, and always be on the alert to interest more of our ladies in the work of the organization.

What Shall be Our Slogan for the Coming Year?

The Convention's reply to this was "$25,000 for the Work and 500 Souls for Christ"
ANNUAL REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE W. H. & F. M. SOCIETY FOR THE YEAR ENDED JULY 31, 1919

Balance on hand July 31, 1918 $581.32

RECEIPTS
Membership dues $967.88
General fund 3,950.46
India fund 13,082.06
China fund 434.18
New England School of Theology
Home fund $225.75
School fund 111.00 336.75
Advent Christian Home and Orphanage fund
For general support $619.42
Special raised by Miss Quimby 105.55 724.97
Home work including Aurora College, Sanderlin Academy, and miscellaneous needs 63.76
Travelling and campmeeting expenses 252.49
Literature 38.25
Conditional Gifts 50.00
All Nations subscriptions 483.78

Total receipts $20,384.58
Total available funds $20,965.90

EXPENDITURES
India fund $15,490.47
China fund 434.18
New England School of Theology
Home fund $172.44
School fund 111.00 283.44
Advent Christian Home and Orphanage fund
General support $619.42
Special raised by Miss Quimby 62.58 682.00
Special work, including Aurora College, Sanderlin Academy and miscellaneous needs 43.73
Annual convention and Board meetings 115.75
Travelling and campmeeting expenses 219.37
General expenses, including office and general supplies, repairs and taxes on property, etc. 1,206.70
Literature 72.82
Salary of Business Manager, Editor and Treasurer 1,000.00
Clerical help 509.50
Interest on Conditional Gifts 189.50

All Nations, printing, mailing, cuts, etc. 703.05
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Total expenditures $20,960.51
Cash balance 15.39

ASSETS
In America
House and lot in Melrose covered by Conditional Gifts $2,500.00
Conditional Gifts invested in 7 Whiting St., Boston 700.00
Headquarters, 5 Whiting St., Boston 4,000.00
Cottages on Campgrounds 2,300.00
Lot in California 400.00
Land in Oregon valued by donor 2,000.00
Office supplies and furniture 400.00
Liberty Bond 50.00
Cash balance given above 15.39 $12,365.39

In India
Property valued at 28,878.00

Making total assets of the Society at the close of fiscal year $41,243.39
Respectfully Submitted,
MAUDE M. CHADSEY, Treasurer.

NOTE.—Since closing the books for the year, a check for $156.75 has been received that properly belongs with the 1918-19 funds, which had it been received in time, would bring our total receipts to $20,541.33.

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF Y. W. A. AND JUNIOR SOCIETIES

To the members of the W. H. & F. M. Society of the A. C. Denomination, greeting: your superintendent of the Y. W. A. and Junior societies presents the following report:

Number of Y. W. A. societies reporting last year fourteen, number reporting this year fourteen. These societies are in Portsmouth and Rochester, N. H.; Brattleboro and South Vernon, Vt.; Boston, Brockton, Lynn, West Wareham and Worcester, Mass.; Providence, R. I.; Bridgeport and East Norwalk, Conn.; West Head, N. S.; and Magog, Quebec. The total membership of twelve societies is 217. West Head, N. S., society, has a membership of thirty and Brattleboro, Vt., eight, the largest and smallest in numbers. Two societies report as disbanded and three have been organized in the year, Brattleboro, Vt., Portsmouth and Rochester, N. H.

The amount reported as being given to their home churches is $65.75; to the N. E. S. of Theology, $6.00; N. E. S. of Theology Home, $10.00; Value of articles given to the Home, $1.58; Amount given to A. C. H. & Orphanage, $22.00; Value of articles given to A. C. H. & O., $42.27; Amount given to other home work, $68.85; or a total of $215.45; to the foreign work they have given to educate a child in India, $3.00; toward the support of children in India, $26.00; to the famine fund,
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$70.75; to Mr. Hudson's Hostel, $5.00; towards a scholarship, $5.00; Mr. Hudson's auto, $10.00; Mrs. Peterson's salary, $10.00; Miss Saunders' salary, $10.00; night school in Jhelinpet, $10.00; to the Armenian relief fund, $5.00; to Micronesian work, $11.94; to other work in India, $31.50; to China work, $45.00; a total of $263.19. The total raised for the year including dues is $627.49, a gain of $152.65 over last year.

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One society knits thirty pairs of socks for the soldiers. One society clothes a child in the Dowling Park Orphanage, and a variety of work is done by others, the value of which cannot be estimated in money. They help the needy in their home towns and are interested in Red Cross and W. C. T. U. work. Three societies report the study of mission books and one would have had a class, but they failed to get their books. When there are so many demands made upon the time of our young people, the amount of work they accomplish for missions in the course of the year is very gratifying.

Junior Work

This year we have ten Junior societies reporting. These ten societies have a total membership of one hundred and ten. They have given to their home churches $19.75 and to other home work $39.60, or a total of $59.35 for home work.

For the foreign work, they have given $37.00 toward the support of children in India, $2.08 for a share in Mr. and Mrs. Peterson's salary, and $28.00 for other work, making a total of $67.00. The whole amount raised, including dues is $141.50.

Five new societies have been organized during the year. They are in Whitman, Mass.; Sharon, Conn.; Hampton, N. H.; Los Angeles, Cal., and Morrisville, Vt.

One society reports sending a Christmas box to the Dowling Park Orphanage and one is making scrap books to send in the India box, and one is going to send articles to Miss Jones' prize box.

The energetic boys' club of Toronto, combine many good times, such as picnics and skating parties with their mission work. Their report published in the ALL NATIONS last March, tells how they do it.

Circumstances connected with each of the societies are such that no two can work alike. Some of the methods employed in raising money are the use of mite boxes, taking collections, selling Scripture post-cards, calendars, holders, quilts, dish cloths, and chickens. All the leaders have their difficulties, but their reports are optimistic. All are hoping to do better work another year. One serious difficulty many are meeting is that of finding a convenient season for holding their meetings. Even the children's work is affected by the hurrying spirit of the age, and they are being crowded out, but I expect some resourceful leader is going to devise a way of keeping her junior members without holding meetings in the customary manner. It is a matter of vital importance to the mission interests of the future that the children be taught about them now; so I would urge the members of our local societies to aid whenever possible those who are trying to carry on this work among the Juniors.

King's Jewels

At the beginning of the year, Aug. 1918, we had 211 names on our cradle roll. During the year forty-four names have been added, sixty-four have been promoted, and four deaths have been reported leaving a present membership of 187 and making a net loss of twenty-four. Birthday cards and tracts have been sent to the children as usual, and a number have been returned marked unclaimed.

Because of removals and resignations we have some new state superintendents this year. The superintendent in Maine, is Miss Alice Beardsley of Crouseville; in New Hampshire, Mrs. Grace Stearns of Manchester; in Rhode Island, Miss Gussie Pierce of Providence; in Massachusetts, Miss Lillian Welch of Boston.

Some encouraging features of the work are the organization of five new Junior societies and four Auxiliaries. Two more Junior societies reported this year than last. The tone of the reports and inquiries that have been made regarding the work show real interest and a desire to do more work another year.

In spite of the hardships of the past year the amount of money raised is larger than in any previous year. Only the Master knows the sacrifices made that this could be the result of our year's work, but we believe that he has seen and understands and accepts all that has been done and given in his name. To the members who have thus worked, I would say, "What you give may you find again; and when found, be it many times multiplied to you and yours."

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. ROWE.

REPORT OF THE HOME DEPARTMENT OF THE NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY 1918-19

There were fourteen students who entered the school for the year, eleven of whom remained until school closed.

The Directors were fortunate in securing Mrs. Helen Webster of Chelsea, as Matron of the Home Department, whose efficient management and tact has been very gratifying to all connected with the institution. Much credit is also due the assistant, Mrs. Linwood Rowe, of Maine, for faithful services rendered.

Much regret was felt when we learned that the matron and assistant could not serve the Home another year. (Mrs. Rowe has decided to return—Editor.)

The total receipts for the year were $1,882.09, expenditures $1,850.62, leaving a balance June 1, 1919 of $31.49.
The Board of Directors wish to extend their thanks to the generous contributors who have made the above balance possible.

About one hundred dollars more are needed to do interior painting which will make the Home more attractive and sanitary.

Respectfully submitted,
AMANDA C. BLANCHARD, Sec.

REPORT OF ALTON BAY HEADQUARTERS,
JULY 31, 1918 TO JULY 31, 1919

Balance on hand July 31, 1918 $ 9.36

RECEIPTS

Room rent $102.85
Gift for screens 1.00
Gift for bureau 2.00
Connecticut and Western Massachusetts W. H. & F. M. Society, for painting 1.55
Massachusetts W. H. & F. M. Society for sign 2.00
New Hampshire W. H. & F. M. Society for sign 1.50

Total receipts $110.90

Total funds $120.26

EXPENDITURES

Household supplies and wood $ 5.30
Repairs 4.00
Bureau 1.50
Paid General Society balance of loan of 1916 12.00
Water and moth tax 5.50
Laundry 11.52
Matrons 46.25
Cartage 1.10
To general treasurer 20.00

Total expenditures $107.17

Balance on hand July 31, 1919 $ 13.09

Respectfully submitted,
LETTIE L. GLAZIER,
SUSAN H. VARNEY,
NELLIE J. JENNESS,
LOUISE H. KINSMAN,
Committee.

FROM SOUTH GEORGIA AND FLORIDA

The Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Societies of the South Georgia and Florida Conference held their annual meeting on Thursday, Aug. 7, 1919, in connection with the conference and campmeeting at Dowling Park, Fla.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. B. A. L. Bixler, who in her inimitable style gave a cheery greeting and hearty welcome to the convention.

The devotional service was led by Mrs. J. J. Jones of Live Oak, Fla., assisted by Mrs. N. E. Carter of Ocala, Fla. In these two characters we find beautiful examples of the campmeeting motto, "The life we live, is the lesson we teach." Great sermons have been preached by their lives. They are truly an inspiration to all who come in contact with them.

The report of the credential committee showed twenty-one delegates present. Visiting Christian workers were given recognition, and an opportunity was given those who are isolated from locals, of becoming members of the general society.

There were three new societies received: Odessa, Fla.; West Jacksonville, Fla., and Tarrytown, Ga.

The president in her communications urged the ministers to more aggressive mission work, that is of making an earnest endeavor to organize mission societies. Ten ministers responded to this plea. Our president also reminded us that;

"The world needs a woman who says, 'I can,' and not the woman who says, 'I might.' There are things to do, and it's up to you, To do them, and do them right."

The state treasurer, Mrs. H. D. Wood, sent in her report, but was compelled to say that she had been entirely ignored by most of the societies.

As long as the locals continue to send their contributions, dues and so forth, direct to Mrs. Chadsey and the Home and Orphanage, just so long will the office of state treasurer be an empty honor.

Mrs. L. W. Pierry of Millville, Fla., was present for the first time at the state convention, and went away with a spirit of missions, interested in her sisters across the water as well as those of her home land. She is going to make an earnest effort to organize a local W. H. & F. M. Society.

Little Sallie King of Jacksonville, Fla., favored the convention with a song and recitation ("A Negro Sermon") which was received with appreciation. Little Sallie is a granddaughter of Elder Joseph King, and a very precocious child. She was baptized when six years of age, and has since been a consistent Christian worker. Recently she has organized a society of children in her church, and is president of the society.

The reports of the locals showed a decided increase over last year, but in most of the churches the Foreign work has been sadly neglected.

A short talk on mission study classes was given by Mrs. O. O. Williams. Truly, mission education creates a desire to send to all the world the message of a risen Christ, and a coming King and Kingdom.

Mrs. G. F. Butler was appointed to secure subscriptions for ALL NATIONS MONTHLY and Prophetic and Mission Record.
Mrs. J. J. Jones gave a few words of commendation of the mission column in *Present Truth Messenger*, and urged that it be continued and kept alive with interesting communications from the locals, and mission items from other fields. Mrs. B. A. L. Bixler consented to edit this column, and urged the co-operation of the locals.

Miss Virginia Pancost gave an interesting report of the Y. W. A. Society of Live Oak, Fla.

The annual election of officers was held, and resulted as follows: President, Mrs. O. O. Williams, Live Oak, Fla.; first vice-president, Miss Susie Stevens, Brunswick, Ga.; second vice-president, Mrs. R. C. Williams, Jacksonville, Fla.; secretary, Mrs. James M. Hall, Live Oak, Fla.; treasurer, Mrs. H. M. Strickland, Live Oak, Fla.; director, Mrs. Burr A. L. Bixler, Live Oak, Fla.; southern vice-president, Mrs. N. E. Carter, Ocala, Fla.

Mrs. C. P. Thornton of Odessa, Fla., presented the urgent need of finishing the plumbing in the girls' dormitory, and recommended that the locals assume this obligation, the recommendation was adopted, and pledges to the amount of $87 were made, leaving a balance of about $30 to be raised.

After adjournment the mission sermon was preached by Elder Burr A. L. Bixler.

On account of the stormy weather we left the tent, and held the service in the church, which was used for the dining room. We made this change reluctantly, feeling that the change might disconcert the speaker. But as we seated ourselves around the tables and the speaker stood before us, a spirit of closer relationship seemed to pervade the atmosphere. Instead of a formal sermon we had a forceful, soul-stirring, heart-to-heart talk. The speaker was stirred by his own words and confessed his own laxity. Speakers from the floor arose to confess their negligence, and the result was, a number pledged to become tithers, and every one present caught the spirit and vision of world-wide missions. Truly it has been said, "Where there is no vision, there is no service."

At a later session of the conference the ladies pledged to furnish school clothes for Thelma and Rena preparatory to their going to the college at Aurora. Already we have received $87, and there are several locals yet to hear from.

**NORTHERN CALIFORNIA**


Minutes of last yearly meeting read by Mrs. Grace Hudson, in the absence of Mrs. Ethel Schaumberg, secretary.

President, Mrs. Olive Shield, reported by letter, being absent on account of illness.

Mrs. B. W. Switzer, Union Treasurer, reported receipts of $559.65 for the year, with an expenditure of $628.41, leaving a balance in the treasury of $30.24.

Locals reporting were Santa Rosa, Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, San Francisco, Oakland, and Napa, showing $129.27 raised for home, and $560.46 for foreign work during the year.

Committee appointed last year to look after the Conference bedding reported by Mrs. Babcock. Since the bedding is in the hands of the Conference for the present there was no need to make future provision for it by this Society.

Regarding the continuance of our support of Saidapet it was voted to raise $100 for that purpose this year.

Moved that we continue our support of Adyar school.

Moved that a budget committee be appointed to apportion the amounts required for Adyar and Saidapet between the societies. Committee appointed: Mrs. Switzer, Miss S. Dickinson and Mrs. G. Hudson.

Moved to adjourn to 1.00 p. m.

July 16, 1919, 1.00 p. m.

Session opened with prayer.

Under the head of new business it was moved that the secretary write a recommendation to the Conf. Board asking it in the future so to arrange the tents on the campground that the meeting may be better advertised from the street cars.

Moved that local treasurers be instructed to send all money to the State Treasurer by June 1, thereby obviating a present difficulty in the keeping of books.

After discussing the relative needs of Dowling Park Home and Sanderlin Academy it was voted to send $25.00 from the Union Treasury to Sanderlin and that the secretary correspond with Bro. Sanderlin relative to his need of a box.

Moved that the acting secretary act as chairman of a committee to correspond with Sanderlin Academy and that the committee co-operate to send a box. Committee: Mrs. Wm. Snider and Mrs. Grace Hudson.

Nominating Committee recommended the officers of last year.

Moved that the acting secretary cast the full vote of the Union for last year's officers, substituting the name of Mrs. G. Hudson for Mrs. Schaumberg as Secretary.

Mrs. Simmons appointed to take subscriptions to *All Nations*.

Adjourned to the call of the chair.
ANNUAL MEETING OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
W. H. & F. M. SOCIETY

THE annual meeting of the New Hampshire state organization was held Aug. 27, in the Lowell Chapel on Alton Bay campground. Eight locals were represented, and reports were read from fourteen. These, for the most part, showed an advance over last year's activities and gifts.

The total amount raised in the state during the year under the auspices of the society amounted to $1,577.06; of this amount $808.49 passed through the state treasury. The balance being sent direct to the Boston office. We are pleased that our workers are getting the habit of sending their gifts through the state treasury, and hope that more will do so the coming year, that the state may have its proper standing among the other states in reporting the funds received.

Ten special meetings were held during the year in connection with the different conferences and gatherings in the state. The collections at these meetings, together with the state tax, amounted to $116.58. After paying all the expenses of the state work there was a balance of $91.17 in the treasury which was voted as follows: $50 towards Mrs. Peterson's salary; $25 for the new building at the Home and Orphanage at Dowling Park; $5 for the New England School of Theology Home, and $5 for the general work; leaving $6.17 in the treasury. The meeting voted in addition to supporting the Injinbakum School, to raise $100 to make up the balance of Mrs. Peterson's salary that is unpledged.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Lettie L. Glazier; northern vice-president, Mrs. Susie W. Davis; southern vice-president, Mrs. Mamie Andrews; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Nellie J. Jenness, Northwood Narrows; superintendent of Y. W. A. and Junior work, Mrs. Grace Stearns, 112 Arlington Street, Manchester.

Plans for more aggressive work were made, and the sisters left the meeting determined to make the coming year the best the society has known.

NELLIE J. JENNESS, Secretary.

CONDITIONAL GIFTS

Our society is ready and glad to receive any such gifts. That is, if anyone has $100 or more, which they wish the mission society to have after their decease, instead of leaving it to the society in their will, they give the society the money now, receive a good rate of interest on it during their lifetime, and upon their decease the money becomes the property of the mission society without any delay or expense for administration. Several have already made such gifts; and we shall be glad to correspond with anyone who may desire to do so, or who desires more information regarding the plan.

RESOLUTIONS

WHEREAS: Death has removed from our midst Sister Cora Morey, treasurer of the Southern District (Mass.) Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society; be it

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Morey the W. H. & F. M. Society has sustained a loss that is deeply felt; although having been treasurer of the district but a short time, she was greatly beloved by all who knew her and had long been a faithful worker in the Whitman society, and be it

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the members of her family in their great loss, and with them are looking forward to the time when the Master will come and give life to his loved ones.

Also be it

Resolved, That a copy of the resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, and that they be printed in ALL NATIONS and spread upon the records.

E. MAY WASHBURN,
ELIZE J. GLADDING,
H. M. PERRY.

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