CONCERNING SKIPPING

MARIE O’LOUGHLIN

I HAVE been puzzled as to what kind of drill to choose for our bigger girls in Guindy. Swedish drill exercises are the kind recommended by the educational authorities for all schools, European and Indian. I tried them last year, but was far from satisfied with the result. Exercises which look delightful when performed by European girls in middy blouses and short skirts did not suit here, and I could not reconcile myself to the idea of our girls, with their long, graceful, closely draped dresses, springing into the air and coming down with their legs planted two feet apart, or lunging forth at an imaginary victim with the effect of their desperate exercises, imprinted on their faces; nor could I keep my face straight when the teacher asked me to come and inspect the drill, and then gravely turned to me and asked me whether I thought it would do! This year I have given them a flag drill, which the inspectress at her annual school inspection pronounced, "pretty and quite good, but needing more energy on the part of the girls, something of the Swedish drill type!"

Not long ago I had an idea, which, unlike many of my other ideas, has remained with me and taken definite form. A skipping drill for next year will be the very thing. So I spoke to the girls, and they were delighted. A visit to the godowns produced a number of pieces of rope, enough to give each of the older girls a piece, and two or three big pieces for the younger girls; and they fell to skipping every spare moment. Some of them objected to learning to skip in public, and I would find them in all sorts of holes and corners—the classrooms with closed doors and windows being favorite places. This feeling will, however, be dispersed when I organize the drill class, and they certainly do enjoy the skipping when they learn it.

A few days later I was waited on by a deputation of middle-sized and small girls, "Please, Ammah, we want individual skipping ropes too, we can skip better than the big girls." "But, children, I cannot supply ropes to each child in school," I expostulated, "especially when I know that in a few days half of them will be lost." "No, Ammah, tree-rope will do for us, if you order it to be cut." Tree-rope! What do they mean? I wondered. In front of the schoolhouse is a large sugar-palm, with hanging
bunches of tiny cones arranged on either side of a long, slender stem, which fall in a shower all round the tree. When cut and stripped of these cones, the stems measure from three to six feet long, and make ideal skipping ropes. Truly, "Necessity is the mother of invention." And so I am not obliged to buy ropes now, and even the tiny tots in the kindergarten are learning to skip. I foresee that I may yet be able to organize a skipping drill for the whole school.

The other morning I saw Joseph, our house boy, leading along a cow in either hand (he supplies our household with milk, and is allowed to graze his cows in the compound, as long as he keeps them tied so they will not eat the plants). He looked worried, and seemed to be making a frantic search for something. I had my suspicions as to what the object of his search was, but thought I would ask him first. Yes, it was his cow rope, a beautiful, thick piece of cotton rope, which he had bought not long before. I did not say anything, but I walked cautiously along toward a group of girls under the large mango tree on the playground. They were so happy. Six little girls had looped up Joseph's rope into six portions, and they were all skipping together, along the length of the rope, while an interested group around them kept count. They were intensely surprised when Joseph swooped down on them, and unceremoniously bore it off. Little Govindammal, who always reminds me of a China Kewpie that Miss Jones has on her writing table, was the first to rally and remark disdainfully, "Who cares?" (At least, I think that is what she meant to say!)

DHOLI DAY

ANNA N. HUDSON

The Dhobi (washerman) has just made a profound salaam, hoisted his huge bundle onto his back, and taken himself and our odoriferous clothes off, and thankful we are to see them go; but I presume I shall be far more thankful to see them come back, whenever that may be, for although he has solemnly promised me to positively buy ropes now, and even the tiny tots in the kindergarten are learning to skip. I foresee that I may yet be able to organize a skipping drill for the whole school.

When he reappears he will have ready, as usual, the most extraordinary excuses, either he has been nigh unto death, or some of his family, to mitigate which he has had to make "puja" (worship), or some remote relative has actually died and he has had to spend no end of money on the funeral, and so forth.

This time when questioned as to why he should be six days late when there had been no rain to hinder, he grins with pleasure to be able to relate a real reason.

The children's playroom is a sight to behold on Dhobi day, for it is in there that I have him lay out the clean things on the couch in orderly piles ready for counting; and while he is doing that, I collect all the dirty clothes and dump them in a heap on the floor, and he rapidly sorts things out by kinds, ready for their counting. When both lots are ready I go over them with him very carefully to see that nothing is missing or substituted.

At the same time the condition of the clean wash must be examined and nearly always a scolding given for the state of some garment or bad work of some sort. Either he starches, stiff as a poker, some absurd garment, or leaves it out entirely of something that requires it.

If I can spare the time I usually like to examine them closely for mending; then I can add to his scolding the damages done to buttons, lace, and such like. I tell him, "Dhobi, I'll have to fine you if you break so many buttons. Buttons are expensive now," and he calmly replies that Madam should use tin buttons for who can expect pearl buttons not to break when banged on a rock.

I sigh and am silent for it would be impossible to try to explain to him why I could not submit to tin buttons on my thin white shirt waists. The ayah sighs when she sees the pile needing mending, and in spite of our care in looking things over the Dhobi's artful deception is disclosed when the Durai appears shortly after having donned a fresh shirt with a big slit down the back, the same having been cleverly pasted with starch and ironed together so skillfully that it avoids observation until perspiration loosens and opens it up.

Nevertheless, in spite of all this, I often marvel that he does as well as he does, considering the place and the manner in which he does them, and also that all of our garments are foreign to him, who needs only a straight piece of cloth around his waist and another twisted round his head.

"VELACHERIE NEWS"

C. H. HUDSON

VELACHERIE news this month will be concerned in the main with an event of general interest, namely, a brief account of the 1919 summer school.

The meeting this year was held in Guindy; being nearer to the station, it was thought it would be more convenient for outside speakers, which of course it was; but other things considered, I think all will agree that Velacherie has other advantages which make it more suitable for such a meeting that proximity to the station does not offset. As to the meeting itself, every one agreed that it was the best yet. It seems customary to make that comment after a gathering of this nature, but that is not why we make it here. All agreed that the meetings were better, that the spiritual tone was deeper and the arrangement made for visitors good.

The order of the meeting was somewhat as follows: Each day was started with Bible study. Groups gathered together in various parts of the compound, under a tree or a veranda, and with the aid of the Bible and an assigned text-book, considered how best to win men for Christ. The Saviour's own methods were given very close study, and we sought by self-examination to know if there were
anything in our lives that hindered us from obtaining similar results. This period to many was a source of profit and inspiration. Pledges were made that if lived up to should result in many more souls being won for Christ this year. The rest of the morning was spent in studies of a doctrinal nature and from the questions asked we are justified in thinking that considerable interest was aroused. The afternoon meetings were of a more popular nature, medical, temperance, patriotism, etc. Small parties went out in the evening for village preaching, after which a good evangelistic address was listened to by those who were gathered in.

I think all in attendance felt that the last day was the best. The first meeting commenced at 6.30, when thirteen were led down into the waters of baptism. Two of these were girl students of Guindy school and three boys from Velacherie school. A man and his wife, from heathenism, and the rest were Christian workers desiring to take this step in obedience to the commands of Christ, prompted with a desire to more fully surrender themselves to His service. The morning session was a full one, a good sermon was followed by the reception of members into the church and the observance of the Lord's supper. The afternoon was given up to testimony, the evening to consecration.

Reports of campmeetings seem incomplete without a few figures and personal testimonies. The number of cars parked in the grounds, etc. We saw only one in attendance at our meeting. It served, at least, to provide an illustration, for an unfortunate preacher who was being carried in it to the train and had to walk because the gasoline tank was found to be empty. "Keep your supply tank full," was has exhortation to Christians the next day. Fifty-three took examinations in the subjects studied. At one meal when all sat together over two hundred were served. Over thirty rupees were pledged and collected towards furnishing the hospital in Chao Helen, China. This will go to show the people there that we in India have a desire to help them carry their burden, which we know is not a light one.

Of the many personal testimonies given during the meeting, we select the following:

"As a result of Bible study, I came to a decision that I should show forth that I have died with Christ, and so plunged into the waters of baptism. "—A. Ponnuswami.

"What I was taught in the summer school about Scripture and Advent doctrine created in me a new spiritual life."—S. D. Raju.

"The summer school was as usual a reviving communion of Advent Christian workers. The studies enabled all to examine themselves as co-workers for the Lord."—Paul Pulicoden.

Of the many interesting meetings held, to me the early morning Bible study periods, which were intended to arouse greater interest among the workers in personal evangelism and to teach them the successful way of doing it, were the most profitable."—J. D. Isaac.

Others expressed gratitude for the lessons learned and their determination to be more zealous in the work of winning souls and preparing men and women to meet their coming Lord.

Very early on the Monday morning the exodus began. Some went in bullock carts and some afoot. All felt better for the meeting and for having made fresh resolutions which we trust God will enable us to keep.

NOTES FROM DOWLING PARK
FLOSSIE M. QUINBY

OCTOBER is almost gone, the beautiful fall month of harvest moons, and woods gay with leaves of red and gold. We miss the pumpkins of the North, and find it hard to draw one for the children that will look very much like the Jack-o'-lanterns of my childhood. We have just planted a garden, set out rows and rows of cabbage plants, and have some promising lettuce and radishes coming up. How does it sound to you, readers, whose gardens will soon be covered with a mantle of ice or snow?

These first weeks of school have passed very quickly. The afternoons are still quite warm, and some of the children get pretty drowsy after dinner. One boy, Willard, has to be prodded most of the time to keep awake. I felt rather discouraged the other day because his reading and spelling were so poor and he seemed to have so little ambition to scale the hill of learning. Mr. Fancost heard my complaint and said: "Come out in the yard, I want to show you something." There was an old wagon hitched to Buck, the ox. It had a new body, heavy pieces of lumber that were nicely fitted together and firmly nailed, with three sides, making a very useful and serviceable vehicle out of the wreck of an old one. I don't believe many ten-year-old boys could have done as well. Now, when I am getting a bit impatient because Willard will not spell nail with "I," I think of how impossible it is for me to drive one straight, and feel less like despairing of a boy who can accomplish it.

The boys' latest pet is a little red fox, a gift from the children's doctor. It is fastened to a chain and adorns our front yard. He may be an ornament, but the speed he makes around the tree when he sees me coming, and the way he snaps his teeth together, make me willing to leave the petting to the boys.

We will soon begin work on the new building. The money pledged this summer will help start it, but we shall need more before its completion. The new building will give us room to provide for those who will like to spend the winter with us and have been prevented because of our lack of room. You need not wait for old age to enjoy a winter of Florida sunshine.
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In this issue we have one by Mrs. Helen W. Keeney.
The reason for these programs is that some of our
do as God directs you.

This means that we need $2708.03 for December to
catch up. Shall we have it? Pray about it, then
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NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY
HOME DEPARTMENT

The following gifts have been received by the
mission since last report, for which the thanks of
all connected with the Home are extended: A
bag of onions and a bag of turnips, A. C. Richard;
four bags of potatoes, Rev. and Mrs. F. J. Davis;
four quarts canned beans, Mrs. Matthews; bed-
spread, Mrs. W. L. Rowell; box of apples, Mrs.
Flora Churchill; barrel of vegetables and canned
foods, Middleboro, Mass., church; two rugs, Mrs.
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Middleboro, Mass., church; two rugs, Mrs.
Flora Churchill; barrel of vegetables and canned
foods, Portsmouth, N. H., W. H. & F. M.
Society; clothesline, Philathes Class, Somerville,
Mass., Sunday-school; one pound of butter, Mrs. S.
J. Davis.

The last of September a splendid friendship quilt
was received from the Middleboro, Mass., W. H.
& F. M. Society for the Home; but, through some
over sight, it has never been acknowledged in these
columns. For this oversight we ask pardon from
the donors, and assure them that it was no lack
of appreciation of their gift that caused us to over-
look its acknowledgement in ALL NATIONS.

THANKSGIVING AND PETITIONING LIST

Let us give thanks:
For the splendid gifts received for the Home
Department of the New England School of Theology.
For the successful summer school. See Velacherie
news.

For the encouraging response from the subscrib-
ers who were in arrears.

For the gifts for the "Guindy Conveyance Fund."
For the twenty-five new subscribers added to our
list during November.
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For the funds received during the month.

LET US PRAY:

That we may be able to purchase the property at Saidapet. The money, $1500, was raised to purchase with some time ago; but the owner does not seem willing to sell. At our last board meeting, it was voted to place the matter on our petitioning list in All Nations and keep it there until a property was secured.

That the Hindu widow and the potter, mentioned in the missionaries’ letters in the November issue, be led out into the full light of the Gospel.

That the funds for the Guindy conveyance may come in more rapidly.

That 500 souls may be won for Christ on the India field before July 31, 1920.

That the remaining 975 new subscribers for All Nations that we are striving for may be secured.

That our income for December may be sufficient to make up the deficit for November.

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE LOCALS

The local at South West Hoosick, N. Y., met in the hall Oct. 31 and tied a comfortable; two of the ladies went in the morning and put it on the frame ready for the others in the afternoon. Four members and three visitors were present. After the work was finished they had a season of prayer in which all took part.

The Boston, Mass., local are busy preparing for a sale of fancy and useful articles and cooked food, which is to be held the afternoon and evening of the 10th in the store of the Publication Society.

The local at Portland, Ore., are taking as their mission study this year, Women Workers of the Orient. They held their first study class in October at the home of their president, Mrs. Frances Norman Johnson, and enjoyed the first chapter of the book very much. Nor was that all they did, for Mrs. Johnson writes: "Having moved here after the main part of the fruit season had passed, I was much pleased when I discovered the ladies had used the missionary meeting at my home as an occasion for a "can shower," presenting me with sixteen quarts of home-canned fruit for my fruit room. Isn't that like a band of Christian sisters?"

Last June a "Cradle Roll of King’s Jewels" was started at Charlesville, N. S., with Miss Wanneta Larkins as superintendent. The 1st of October the superintendent sent $5.90, which they had gathered in their mite boxes, and expressed the hope that they would have a much larger amount for the next remittance. There are some thirteen members, and very recently the editor met one of the mothers, and she spoke enthusiastically of her baby’s mite box and how much he had in it.

The Lynn Y. W. A. are planning a parcel post benefit. If you wish to know just what this means drop a card to Miss Alona M. Johnson, 35 Flake Avenue, East Lynn, Mass.

The treasurer of Northern California writes: “Our societies are planning to send a Christmas box to Sanderlin Academy. Things look bright here in our society.”

NOTE:—If you like to read these items send a post-card telling what your society is doing.—Editor.

PROGRAM FOR A MISSIONARY PRAYER SERVICE

HELEN W. KEENEY

HYMN. "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name."

SCRIPTURE LESSON. (Have different members look up verses or portions on prayer.)

HYMN. "My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

DANIEL’S PRAYER OF CONFESSION. Dan. 9: 6-22.

PERIOD OF INTERCESSION. (Assign to each one present one item given in our Thanksgiving and Petitioning list, and ask them to pray definitely concerning it.)

A PAPER OR READING ON "PRAYER AND ITS ANSWER ON THE MISSION FIELD." (Material for this can be gathered from any missionary books or papers.)

MISSIONARY QUOTATIONS. (To be given by different ones present.)

"Prayer and missions are as inseparable as faith and works."—John R. Mott.

"Prayer has been the preparation for every new missionary triumph and the secret of all true missionary success."—A. T. Pierson.

"He who faithfully prays at home does as much for foreign missions as the man on the field, for the nearest way to the heart of a Hindu or a Chinaman is by way of the throne of God."—Eugene Stock.

"Let us advance upon our knees."—Joseph Hardy Neesima.

"I will go down, but remember you must hold the ropes."—William Carey.

"Prayer and pains through faith in Jesus Christ will do anything."—John Eliot, the apostle to the red men.

"The great Sultan of the universe can change all this."—Dr. Goodell.

A PRAYER HYMN. “Take My Life and Let It Be.”

SILENT PRAYER, FOLLOWED BY A CLOSING PRAYER BY THE LEADER.

Have you renewed your subscription?
REPORT OF INJINBAKUM SCHOOL
SUPPORTED BY NEW HAMPSHIRE
1918–1919

THE children of our school are mostly from the
Panchamas or outcasts; but while there are
some of the caste children attending also, they are
in the minority. We have twenty-seven children in the
day school and twenty boys in the night school.

A good teacher’s house was built during the year,
some of the timber used in building it was donated
by the people in the caste village. A nice well was
dug and the head man of the village gave us
five hundred bricks to help in constructing the well.

Before this well was dug the villagers had no little
trouble to obtain water during the dry season of
the year. They would wander from place to place
seeking water. Because there is an abundance of
water in our well, they say that God is especially
good to the mission. So we can say, “In all things
God has led us, and to those who trust Him there is
no want.”

Mornings and evenings the women and the girls
of the school come to draw water, and so we have
many opportunities to speak to them about the
Gospel. The villagers have often been told about
Christ, and we hope to have a group of Christian
believers to be established here soon.

We are frequently visited by Mr. Peterson, who
with his helpers not only give what aid is needed
to the school, but also he visits the people in the
village, talking with and preaching to them.

The 1st of March we started some new work
in a village four miles from this place called Verta-
vangam. The people are coolies on a large timber
estate, and we go to them every Sunday afternoon
to preach to them. The first Sunday we had in our
audience forty-eight women and girls, and thirty-
six men and boys. The second Sunday there were
forty women and girls and fifty men and boys. The
third time we had forty-six women and girls and
sixty-four men and boys; and last week our number
was fifty women and girls and seventy men and boys.

So our numbers are increasing. We expect a good
congregation to be established here, as the people
are independent of the higher caste people, and
their manager is a Christian. A school is now being
built for them.

E. SILAVAPPAM, Teacher.

To those who are supporting this school I feel
that I can truly say that the work being done here
will before long result in reaping. One young man
from this village is now waiting for baptism, and
others are “inquiring the way.” The removal of
the toddy shop (saloon) from the village has done
a wonderful lot to help conditions in the homes.
This was done by the influence of the teacher and
the villagers now appreciate his help in the matter.

During the influenza siege and in other distress-
ing circumstances he has helped many, and they
acknowledge “that only a Christian would do such
deeds.” These things are not told in his report,
but have come under my personal observation when
in the village.

Keep on praying and giving, and we will labor
together here in this place for the kingdom of God.

Yours in hope,

R. L. Peterson.

MASSACHUSETTS EASTERN DISTRICT

THE annual meeting of the Eastern District
Woman’s Home and Foreign Mission Societies
was held at Chelsea on Nov. 5; and, in spite of a
drenching rain storm, there was a good delegation
of ladies present, all but four of the locals being
represented. The meeting was opened by singing
of hymns, followed by prayers. The minutes of the
last meeting were read and approved, also the
treasurer’s report showing a balance of $10.52 on
hand.

The roll call showed that Boston had seven; Chel-
sea, eight; Lowell, three; Lynn, three; Melrose
Highlands, three, and Somerville four delegates
present. Each of the locals gave reports through
their representatives of what had been done the
past year; and told of various ways of raising
money, among which was selling soda, Larkin prod-
ucts, Christmas cards, Scripture text calendars,
coin calendars, making quilts, etc. All the reports
were very interesting, and showed some progress.

This ended the morning session.

The afternoon meeting was opened by Mrs. Waite,
who read Isaiah 55 for a lesson, and then made a
few remarks. After several prayers for the work,
Mrs. Chadsey spoke of the work that had been done
in the New England School of Theology Home,
painting and refinishing the different rooms, and the
funds that were needed to finish paying the bill.
She told of the good supply of preserves, etc., that
had been sent in, and that the greatest need now
was vegetables and apples. She also spoke of the
work at Dowling Park and the new central dormi-
try for the old people which had been started and
explained the need of it.

The nominating committee brought in the follow-
ing names: Mrs. Flora Churchill, president; Mrs.
Elizabeth Mayberry, vice-president; Mrs. Alice
Smith, secretary; Mrs. R. F. Casavant, treasurer,
and Mrs. Belle Fitch, auditor, and they were duly
elected.

A rising vote of thanks was given the ladies of the
Chelsea local for their kindness in entertain-
ing us.

Mrs. Johnson, the State president, made a few
remarks. She spoke of the danger of thinking we
could take things easier, and urged us to attempt
hard things. Three splendid articles were read by
three of our sisters, Mrs. Mayberry, Mrs. Adams

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and Mrs. Webster, the first on the wonderful privilege of working with Christ; the next, the necessity of teaching the young people about missions; and the last the place that prayer should have in our lives. Each was full of beautiful thoughts and truly uplifting.

Mrs. Chadsey spoke of a wonderful answer to prayer that she had received, also spoke of the need of increasing the subscription list of All Nations and the need of a conveyance for Mrs. Peterson, and expressed the hope that some society or individual would be led to assume the support of Miss O'Loughlin, one of our missionaries. The meeting was adjourned after a very helpful and inspiring day.

Alice M. Smith, Secretary.

OVER HERE AND OVER THERE

Now one "Over Here"

Over here, over here!

There's a call to the girls over here,

That we're always needed,

We're really needed

We're needed by our Saviour dear.

Gather near, give a cheer,

Do you hear, do you hear the summons clear?

We'll be worthy, we will be worthy

To our Saviour's call to girlhood over here.

Over there, over there!

In the name of the Lord do your share,

For the lost ones dying, the needy crying,

Salvation's story now declare,

Over here give good cheer,

In the land which to all is so dear,

Then tell the world wide sisters

That the Lord is God "over here and over there."

Remember that new subscribers can secure the Crisis and All Nations for a year at the price of the Crisis, $2. These would make a splendid Christmas gift, and can be had at this price by old subscribers if the papers are sent to those who do not take them now.

Treasurer's Report

Receipts for November, 1919

California—San Francisco local, $15; Santa Clara local, $11; Oakland local, $7.25; Napa local, $6.50; A. W. S., $20; C. L. Hunt, $12.

Connecticut and Western Massachusetts—Ralph Birchard, $5; Palmer local, $1.25; Evangeline Otis, $2; Bridgeport Junior L. W.'s, $3; Elder Enoch E. Rogers, $1; Mrs. S. A. Wheeler, $1.50; Mrs. Lizzie M. Johnson, $5; Mrs. E. Rogers, $15.

Florida—Odesa local, $7.75; Lake City local, $2; Live Oak local, $4.24; general dues, $4; Mrs. J. W. Lake, $2; Mrs. E. J. Baird, $15.

Illinois—Ethen B. White, $5; Sunbeam Class, Auburn Sunday-school, $1.82.

Iowa—C. M. Booth, $108.50.

Kansas—Seven Helpers Class, Linn Sunday-school, $5.

Maine—Mrs. E. E. Pender, $5; Gertie L. Haines, $10; Mechanic Falls local, $3; Clara Wilson, $3; Sarah Niles, $1.50; Lizzie Roberts, $1.50; Ella Buzzell, $1; Mrs. James Faulkingham, $1; Emma Rounds, $1; Mrs. L. L. Atwood and daughter, $10;

Presque Isle local, $5; M. Edith Wilkins, $2; Cecile Small, $1.65; Hettie Loughy, $5; Mrs. Susie E. Gillander, $20; H. M. Bowes, $8; William H. Gould, $6; Mrs. Charles Jackson, $3; Herman Beckman, $10.

Massachusetts—Henry H. Robbins, $4.50; Mrs. M. E. Wadley, $10; North Carver local, 50 cents; North Carver Sunday-school, $3; Philanthas Class, Somerville Sunday-school, $4.55; Middleboro local, 50 cents; Mrs. Abbie Keyes, $1; Haverhill local, $25.50; Lowell local, $28.20; New Bedford church, $5.75; Somerville local, $7; George Washburn local; Concord, local, $33; Emma G. Hall, $3; Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Caldwell, $10; Naomi Caldwell, $5; Ruth E. Davis, $10; Rev. H. E. Thompson, $17; Treasurer of Eastern District, $10; Melrose Highlands local, $17; May Lewis, $3; Emma Lewis, $3; T. H. Smith, $5; R. F. C., $2; Boston local, $5; Lucy Hudson, $1.50; Lillian F. Welch, $1; Ellen A. Waite, $5; F. A. Waters, $2; Mr. and Mrs. George Hobill, $10; Rev. and Mrs. H. L. P., $15; Melrose Highlands church, $2.20; Class 3, Boston Sunday-school, $4.04; Class 5, Boston Sunday-school, $1.50; Boston Sunday-school, $2; Helen Richardson, $1.50; Attleboro local, $2; Grace L. Reynolds, $5; Elinor Tenney's mite box, $5; Mrs. F. E. Newbert, 65 cents; Attleboro Sunday-school, $20.

Minnesota—Annandale Sunday-school, $9.50.

New Brunswick—Mrs. Beecher Haines, 65 cents; Woodstock local, $8.

New Hampshire—Collection and gifts at Portsmouth church as follows: Collection, $65.53; C. C. Moulton, $2; Cedrie Wood, $5; Portsmouth Y. W. A., $2; total, $62.53; Belmont local, $25; Northwood Narrows Sunday-school, $2; State Treasurer, $5; Paul I. Dyer, $1; George Washburn local; Concord church by Thomas B. Hall, $10; Manchester local, $17.75; Rochester local, $7; George Drake, "in memory of Mrs. William Barnard," $10; Dover local, $5.

New York—Mrs. E. H. Wood, $2.50; Mrs. E. M. Van Dyke, $2; South West Hoosick local, $7; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Gremlaw, $5.

Nova Scotia—A. C. Baird, $1; West Head Sunday-school, $2;

Ohio—Nathan Morse, $50.

Ontario—Toronto Junior Mission Society, $5.

Oregon and Eastern Washington—Ida M. Burrell, $1.30; Sarah Bellinger, $1.30; Dr. C. R. Bloyd, $15.

Quebec and Northern Vermont—St. Johnsbury local (omitted in October report), $5; St. Johnsbury local, $10.

Rhode Island and Eastern Connecticut—Berean Class, North Scituate Sunday-school, $10; Willing Workers, North Scituate, $10; North Scituate church, $2.34; Mrs. James E. Huling, $1.65; C. and P. L. G., $5; Putnam local, $14; Providence Y. W. A., $3; Mr. Butler, $1; Hattie B. Fox, $15.

Vermont—Waterbury local, as follows: Mrs. Elmer Wheeler, $5; Mrs. Frank Rogers, $5; total, $10.

Western Washington and British Columbia—C. Bond, $2; Mrs. E. Bissell, $1.

General Helpers Union, $16.50; rent, $35; sales, $10.15; cash, $62.60; All Nations subscriptions, $44.65; total receipts, $1298.80.

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Guindy Conveyance Fund

Amount needed for automobile, $700; for pony and cart, $300. Which is it to be? Received to Dec. 1, $43.50.

Maude M. Chadsey, Treasurer.
A LETTER TO MOTHERS OF CRADLE ROLL CHILDREN

Many have felt skeptical as to what benefit a baby would receive from being enrolled on a mission cradle roll. It is true the mother can give money to the mission work for the baby, and that will help feed and clothe some little hungry child in a heathen country. This is acceptable to the mission society; but it is not the whole design of the cradle roll. The important thought is that of training the child, early in life, to love others and especially the children of other lands who are less favored than themselves. This the cradle roll superintendent endeavors to do by sending cards to the baby and mother, by making calls on them and holding receptions where some means are used to instruct them along these lines; but she cannot accomplish much without the co-operation of the mother. It is the mother's influence that counts all through life. The superintendent merely opens the way for the mother to do a great work in the heart of the child.

We cannot tell how early in life a child begins to learn, but we know that the small infant soon acquires certain habits, and it is the mother who aids in their formation. She also has the first and best opportunity to instill in the mind of the child right ideas and thoughts of love for our heavenly Father. So it is to the mother that the cradle roll superintendent looks for assistance in her work. The mother who wishes to early teach her child to love children of other nations and to love Jesus, can do so through songs, stories, pictures, games and other ways.

The rhymes of Mother Goose which were sung to us in childhood remain with us through life. In place of these the mother can use for a lullaby the cradle songs of other nations and songs telling of the joy of giving, and of Jesus. "Jesus Loves Me" and "Oh, What Can Little Hands Do" are favorites of children. Other pieces can be found in primary Sunday-school books.

When the child begins to know pictures, he can be shown pictures of children of other nations at play and at work. These can be found in magazines of different kinds. Picture doll sets showing the quaint costumes can be bought for this purpose. They can learn of our missionaries from their pictures in the paper or on post-cards. And when they are learning letters they can be taught that H is for Hazard and J for Jones and so on through the list.

When the time comes for stories this need can be met by telling them stories describing how the Chinese and Indian babies play and live. Such stories can be found in mission papers, tracts and books for juniors.

When the child begins to pray, he can be taught to add a petition for the Father to take care of the little boy and girl who are sick or cold and hungry.

If he is taught early in life to share his pennies, toys and candy with those who have none, he will bless himself by learning to be unselfish and generous and bless others by what he gives.

These are some of the ways mothers can help the superintendent to make the cradle roll a success, a blessing to her own child and to others. A child thus taught will when he is ready to graduate into the junior department be already to take up some line of active work.

Dear mothers, if you have any babies who are not enrolled as a "King's Jewel" please enroll them at once. If there is a cradle roll superintendent in your church, get acquainted with her and help her in all the ways you can. If there is none, be one yourself and help others to teach the babies about Him Who said, "Suffer little children to come unto Me," and help fulfill His command to carry the Gospel to all nations.

Mary E. Rowe.