A Song for Old Folks' Day

(Tune—"Meet Me There")

Though the veterans may be few,
Yet their hearts are warm and true,
Gladly will they gather with us if they may.
Let us clasp them by the hand,
All the faithful, loyal band,
For the old folks have the honored right of way.

They have gathered here today
As they oft have met to pray,
And to join us in the worship of our God;
While they are facing toward the West
On his promise they can rest—
On the promise of their risen, living Lord.

Let us cheer them on their way,
For they have not long to stay,
And we well may breathe for them an earnest prayer;
Let these blossoms fair unite,
Royal purple, purest white,
In a message of our tender love and care.

Many burdens they have borne,
Many sorrows they have known,
Yet our Father's hand has led them all the way;
Though the lights of earth grow dim,
Yet the light they find in Him
Shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

CHORUS
Lead them home, gently home,
Where the fount of youth is flowing,
Lead them home.
Where life's sorrows all are o'er,
On a fairer, brighter shore,
Growing young for evermore,
Lead them home.

Note.—This poem was written to go with the program for "elderly and shut-in friends" given in the May issue.
—Editor.
VELACHERIE NEWS
C. H. Hudson

I PROMISED in my last to tell the young people something of the visit of Lord Willingdon, the governor of Madras, to our school in Velacherie.

Our object in inviting them was for the purpose of opening the new hostel and an exhibition of school work and village industries, which was held at the same time. Of course all preparations that the importance of the occasion demanded were made. Our flags and bunting that friends have in times past sent out to us were brought out. A welcome arch and a platform, covered completely with fresh-cut paddy (rice), were erected. Invitations were sent out to our friends and members of the government. All others wishing to attend were asked to obtain tickets, and large numbers did so. The road through the village to our school, which was very narrow and rough in places, was widened and made smooth by the government at our request, for we did not wish a repetition of what happened when a former governor visited us, the road being so bad he had the horses stopped and walked in. It being almost a surprise visit, we had nothing prepared for that occasion. Here again the thoughtfulness of the old gentleman was made evident. We were not quite so comfortably situated in those days as we are now, and Lord Carmichael, sensing the situation, elected to drink his milk straight from the coconut, and of course the members of his staff did likewise. I blessed him inwardly, for although I had sent a boy for glasses I knew we only had two, and in regard to one of them I was doubtful.

Lord and Lady Willingdon did not have to walk. Long before the time set for their arrival the guests began to assemble. The sound of the bugle announced that they were drawing near. The Boy Scouts, who formed a Guard of Honor, came to the salute. Raymond presented Lady Willingdon with a sheaf of rice, which she gladly accepted. The Guindy girls sang a song of welcome.

Lord and Lady Willingdon, with some of the government officials, took their seats on the platform and the service commenced with the singing of a hymn, after which Dr. Ferguson of the Baptist Mission offered prayer. A statement was then read by the writer, telling something of the work of the school, after which the Governor made very suitable remarks, thanking us all and you in behalf of the government for the work we are doing here. One remark in the statement which drew forth the applause of the audience was relative to those who had made the building possible; "that it was not the gift of an American millionaire, but of a number of sincere friends of India almost equal in number to the dollars it had cost to build." While everybody is grateful to a millionaire who rightly uses the money that God has made him steward of, is not the small gift, accompanied by sacrifice, in the sight of all right thinking men of greater value? Certainly the interest and prayers of all those givers is a source of strength to us that cannot be valued in terms of dollars.

After Lady Willingdon had presented certificates and prizes, our building and exhibition was formally opened by the untwisting of a knot of red, white and blue ribbon, which was stretched across the gateway. The hostel and exhibition were then inspected, and every one was pleased to see the nice home that you have given our boys.

The exhibition was varied. There were exhibits of paddy to be seen, brought in by the villagers; wood-carving and carpentry, weaving and printing work, done by the boys. The potter "was making a work on the wheels." (If any boy or girl will tell me where this quotation is found, I will send him a picture of a potter at work.) The basket-maker was busy making baskets. Carpenter, blacksmiths and weavers were all to be seen engaged at their handicraft. All of these trades are needed in meeting the elementary needs of the people and are referred to very early in the Bible.

The next building to be visited was the school where the work of the village children was on view. Much of it was worthy of the merit it received. The Guindy girls had a very good all-round exhibit—basket-making, sewing, and some excellent garden produce were shown, reminding us of the verse, "And all the women that were wise-hearted did spin with their hands." The Guindy exhibit demonstrated the fact that the girls had been busy spinning in more ways than one.

Our guests showed great interest in all that they saw, taking particular notice of the little ones as they went around, and after partaking of tea, which they did not have to drink out of the teapot, they left pleased with all that they had seen, and we were certainly all cheered by their visit.

NOTES FROM DOWLING PARK
Flossie M. Quimby

We often have visitors come at the noon hour and stand by the door to watch the children file into the dining-room and take their places at the tables. It is surely a pleasant sight, and you would not think, by the looks of the tables, the children would go away hungry. The boys have been catching turtles lately, so we are sometimes served with a delicious dish of turtle soup, that would cost you a fabulous sum in a hotel.

Milton and Ted killed a skunk the other day. They were late for dinner, and when they arrived several of us older people were loitering over a last cup of tea; but we left very hastily on the entrance of the boys. They are raising three baby skunks on a bottle and estimating the price they will get for their skins.

The manager has been very busy lately drilling...
eight of the small children for a program to be given in some of the near-by churches, the next fifth Sunday. I wish they could visit all the churches in New England, though you would never let them come back. They sing and speak pieces, the one boy on the program representing "the man with the hoe." Little Claude, or "Jumbo," as some of us call him, looks very much his part, in overalls with a hoe over his shoulder.

We are having a late spring. The fruit is just beginning to ripen. We are trying to recall our childhood days and the taste of green apples in order to sympathize with the children who have a fondness for green plums and peaches. Some of the little girls are spending part of the day in bed that they may meditate on the folly of eating the sour, puckery things. Can anyone explain the sweetness of forbidden fruit?

A NEW ERA

Marie M. O'Loughlin

GREAT BRITAIN has granted partial home rule to India as an experimental measure for five years. This, in conjunction with the industrial era which has dawned upon the world, is affecting India very considerably. In the Madras presidency, as in many other parts, "the old order changeth, yielding to the new." One of the things that is being re-modeled is elementary education, and as the changes in this department very closely affects the work of our mission here, you will, doubtless, be interested to hear of them.

In the first place, the education bill provides for compulsory elementary education for Indian children. To enforce this, a committee will be appointed in each district to inquire into the attendance of pupils in every school, and to mete out punishments to those parents or guardians who fail to send their children regularly to school; provided the school is not more than two miles distant from their homes. This means a much larger attendance in all schools. The caste village which is about ten minutes' walk from our Guindy school, is swarming with children whose parents will not be persuaded to send them to school, some through caste prejudice, the majority through sheer indifference, those who do attend being very irregular. This is a chance for us to expand our work if we are ready to do so, but here in Guindy we will need extra accommodation. At present we can only accommodate sixty boarders and about forty day scholars, which is just about the number we have at present. (There were ninety-seven children on the rolls last year.) Government stands ready to help us if we wish to expand, but we are always required to state first, how much the mission or society can afford to put into the new project.

In order to meet the extra expense which will be concurred by Government for compulsory education, a special education tax is to be levied on all heads in the presidency, subject to the usual conditions such as nature of profession, amount of income, etc.

Another great change is the part the elementary school is being required to take towards the fulfillment of the industrial possibilities of this country. India, as everybody knows, is essentially a land of villages. Two hundred million people in India are dependent on agriculture for their livelihood. These facts form the basis of an Indian Industrial Commission report published nearly two years ago which goes on to say, "The highest aim of our education would be to reconcile the village people to their village life. . . . The spread of education among the artisan classes has tended to bring manual labor into contempt, and the sons of the artisans educated beyond the primary stage, show a distinctive tendency to forsake their fathers' callings in favor of clerical work, but we think that this view must be due to the wrong system of education which is made available." One village is reported to have actually stated that "they do not want 'the dog, the fox and the brinjal education.' These refer to the nature study lessons and the lesson in clay modeling."

Conditions such as these prove that the education imparted in those schools consisting of the type of child we have to deal with here, has been far removed from the life of the people. The American Advent Mission and a Roman Catholic Mission I am acquainted with are the only two missions that I know who have recognized from the beginning the fact that enthusiasm for education must be translated into action by the development of industries. The readers of ALL NATIONS are too well acquainted with the industries carried on at Velacherie and Guindy, for me to say any more about them. I have started a new industry at Guindy this year, in connection with my school work, and that is basket and hat weaving. We are experimenting with the palmyra and date palms at present. Miss Jones is taking some of our work to America with her. I shall be glad if those of you who see the work will criticize it and offer suggestions with a view to enabling me to improve on it, please.

Her excellency, Lady Willingdon, the wife of the Governor of Madras, visited us not long ago, and seemed very much pleased and interested in what she saw of the work. She suggested that I should work up a hat industry, and lent me a hat of hers to try and copy. We are working on this now. Miss Saunders and I are trying to interest the Guindy village people in our work with a view to working up a cottage industry. We would like you all to pray for God's guiding hand in all we do.
must be sent to India each month. None of us wish our missionaries to suffer for the necessities, nor to be obliged to leave the work for lack of support; therefore, we expect this advance will meet with the approval of those who support, and that they will show their approval by their increased gifts.

OUR STATE SCHOOLS

The following is a report of how the different States stand on the support of their village schools for 1919-20. The cost of a day school is 432 rupees and a night school, 144 rupees, or $144 and $48, respectively, when exchange is at par. But exchange was so high at the beginning of the year, and is even higher now that we asked the States to endeavor to raise $185 for a day and $60 for a night school. It actually cost at the present rate $216 for a day and $72 for a night school, and we must endeavor to raise that amount next year.

Maine supports Tiruvamur day and night school, and has paid $215.85; New Hampshire supports Injinbakum day school, and has paid $130.30; Quebec and Northern Vermont supports Perambakum day school, and has paid $182.05; Rhode Island and Eastern Connecticut support Terampur day school, and has paid $196.75; but as their year closed with February, $16.75 will count on 1920-21; Connecticut and Western Massachusetts support Velacherie day school, and has paid $182.25; Oregon and Eastern Washington support Neelangiri, and has paid $96.22; Western Washington and British Columbia support Nukumpalian, and has paid $154.03; Northern California supports Adyar, and has paid $133.14; South Georgia and Florida supports Guindy, and has paid $99.99; Junior mission societies, Sunday-school classes and individuals support Muttaikaranachavadi, and have paid $92.50; Massachusetts Y. W. A.'s have recently taken Vengavasal night school to support, and $19 has been received and more is expected before the Massachusetts annual meeting. Beside these schools, Danville, Que., local, supports Pommar; Worcester, Mass., local, Jeldenpet, and Pasadena, Cal., local, has just taken Vettuvanagani, and C. M. Booth supports Kottur.

NEW ENGLAND SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

SCHOOL closed with the graduating exercises Thursday evening, May 28. And the Home is now empty of the young life that has made it such a lively, interesting place for the past eight months. Our faithful matron, Mrs. Jennie Tabbutt, who has been a real mother to the students, is putting things in order for the summer before leaving, and all connected with the school are delighted with her promise to retain the position for another year.

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The friends of the school have been very faithful in remembering its needs this year, both with gifts of money and kind, and the treasurer reports all bills paid, including the $546 for painting and decorating. Directors of the school desire that those who have enabled this to become a fact, realize that they much appreciate what you have done.

During May the following gifts were received: A quilt, Mrs. H. A. W. Dean; four pounds sugar, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Pond; three pounds sugar and a jar of pickles, Burton Robbins; two quarts maple syrup, Arthur Brown; $1 and curtain material, Mrs. Annie Adams; $5, Mrs. A. J. Lang; box of canned goods, Biddeford, Me., W. H. & F. M. local.

THANKSGIVING AND PETITIONING LIST
Let us give thanks:
That we were able to close the New England School of Theology Home school year with all bills paid.
That we have added several new societies to our ranks this year.
That many of our supporters are increasing their gifts sufficient to cover the advance in exchange.
That four have responded to the call for $10 from ten people for tract work in India.

Let us pray:
That Miss Jones may be speedily restored to health.
That wisdom may be given the India Board regarding the Saidapet work.
That the missionaries may be kept in good health during these trying months of summer.
That the other six who will pledge $10 each for tract work may speedily be found.
That purchasers may be found for the society’s lots at Newport Beach, Cal., and Portland, Ore., so the money can be used in the work.
That our income for the next two months may total $6600.

-PACIFIC COAST TRIP
(Concluded)

Monday, April 19, found us abroad an early train for Seattle, Wash., which place we reached in the late afternoon, and were met by Pastor For­ester, who took us to the home of Mrs. Elsie Forester, our Western Washington vice-president, where we were most pleasantly entertained. Tuesday we met with the local in an all-day meeting, and spoke in the church Thursday at the regular prayer-meeting hour. A sight-seeing trip to the university grounds, an auto trip around the city, a visit to the top of the highest building from which could be seen a panoramic view of the city and its surroundings, a trip on the sound, and lunches and dinners occupied every moment of our time while in the city.

Leaving Seattle Friday morning, we reached Bel­lingham at noon, and were met by Mrs. Jennie Lloyd, president of our Western Washington and British Columbia societies, who after entertaining us at lunch went with us to Nooksack, where we met the ladies in a parlor meeting at the home of Pastor and Sister F. W. Shattuck. Saturday we rested in the morning at the home of Sister S. C. Broyles, and had supper and spent the evening with Bro. and Sister S. P. Hayward, visiting the Nook­sack Campground, which is just across the street from their home.

Sunday, April 25, we spoke at Nooksack in the morning, Sumas in the afternoon and Bellingham in the evening. Sunday night was spent at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Boynton. We were sorry to be obliged to cancel our parlor meeting for the following day at Bellingham, in order to reach our next appointment at Clarkston, but distances between the churches on the Pacific Coast are some­what astonishing to one from New England.

Tuesday, April 27, we reached Lewiston, Ida., at 3 p.m., and were met by Pastor and Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Evans, who drove us in her auto across the river to Clarkson, Wash., where we found the ladies assembled in the parsonage for a parlor meeting. A pleasant hour was spent in talking of the work and means of increasing the interest. In the evening we had the privilege of speaking in the church to the company that gathered there. Our schedule was to leave Wednesday morning for John Day, Ore., where we had the next appointment; but a night telephone message informed us that the roads in that section were impassable, so we were obliged to cancel that appointment, and spent another day at Clarkston, so we made some calls, helped the ladies tie a comforter in the afternoon, and spoke again at the church in the evening. We were entertained while in Clarkston by Sister J. W. Foster. Our next appointment was at Weiser, which place we reached Saturday morning and spent the afternoon in discussing the work with Pastor Glendenning and his wife, who entertained us at the parsonage. Sunday morning, May 2, we spoke to a well-filled house at Weiser, and in the evening to another good company at Mann’s Creek some fourteen miles distant.

Monday afternoon we took the train for Caldwell, Ida., where we were met by Bro. W. I. Edwards, our missionary who did such faithful work in India until ill health compelled him to return to America. Bro. Edwards took us to his home, and we had the privilege of meeting his mother, who, although in the eighties, is still able to attend to her household duties. After spending a few hours with them, and talking of the India work, we returned to the Union Pacific Station, expecting to take a train at 1.52 a.m. en route for Boston, but the train was late, and it was 3 a.m. when we started. A pleasant but uneventful trip across the continent brought us to
the Boston, station Friday evening, where we found our son and his wife, and several of the Y. W. A. girls waiting to welcome us.

Was our trip a successful one? This question time must answer by showing whether the interest in the work was increased and permanent new friends made for the same. But it is our candid opinion that it was not only a success, but also that we went just at the right time, as there were some conditions arising which we were glad to meet and endeavor to correct. And the unsolicited testimony of one business man who knew about the situation was, "Your visit has greatly increased the interest and standing of the W. H. & F. M. work on the coast."

Every church on the coast was visited, with the exception of John Day, Ore., and Richland, Wash. The reason for not going to John Day has already been given, and we did not know of the church at Richland, which has recently been organized, until it was too late for us to arrange an appointment.

We found the sisters on the Pacific Coast well organized, with splendid, enthusiastic leaders, and anxious to do all they can to help carry the Gospel, and trust that our visit has made us all realize, more than before, that we are one in our work and interests whether we live on the Atlantic or the Pacific Coast.

The collections taken to defray the traveling expenses will more than cover the same, while the support of new schools and other work pledged, as well as the cash gifts, made the trip a success from a financial standpoint, although in no place did we solicit pledges. The needs of the work were stated, and those who made pledges did so without solicitation.

FROM THE HOME FIELD

The annual meeting of the Southern Massachusetts District W. H. & F. M. Society, met at Taunton, May 12, to transact business and elect officers for the ensuing year. The new officers are: President, Miss May C. White, Acushnet; vice-president, Mrs. May Washburn, Brockton; secretary, Mrs. Florence Richardson, Attleboro; treasurer, Mrs. Ruth McPherson, Whitman. Mrs. May Booth was chosen district superintendent of Y. W. A. and Junior work.

The reports of the local societies were very interesting and encouraging, showing much good work done in the past year. A great amount of money having been gathered during the year, it was a very pleasant task to give it to various objects. A large part of the money had been gained by the careful management of the cottage at Marion campground, and much credit is due our Sister Bennett, who has charge.

After lunch an inspiring talk by Sister Chadsey on, "Christian Discipleship" was listened to, after which our state president, Sister Myrtha Johnson, spoke very interestingly of our work and plans for the future. A beautiful day and a fine, large delegation made it a splendid meeting from start to finish.

Florence G. Richardson, Sec.

The Massachusetts Eastern District W. H. & F. M. Societies convened at Lawrence the afternoon and evening of May 13, and was one of the most interesting meetings in recent years. The meeting was opened as usual with song, Scripture reading and prayer, after which the minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted. At the roll call nearly all locals were well represented, Salem and Marblehead being the only ones with no members present. Sister Chadsey spoke of the importance of the cradle roll, mentioning cases where whole families had become interested in the church and Sunday-school through getting the little ones' names on the cradle roll.

Sister Johnson, after announcing the State meeting and emphasizing the necessity of all attending who could, spoke of the inspiration she received in attending the Southern District meeting, and spoke of the large amount of work some of the small locals had done.

Sister Webster now gave us a very interesting talk about Dowling Park, telling of the life down there, the work and how it is divided, and that there was so much to do with a family of forty-five, and so few to do it.

Sister Mayberry spoke on the union services which had been held in Lowell, and the good done and blessings received.

Mrs. Alfreda Brewster Wallace next made an earnest plea for our young ministers and those preparing for the ministry; said they were the hope of the future for our churches, and that the only way in which they could get experience was to be allowed to preach. She spoke of the "resignation germ" which had attacked so many of our ministers, and said that the disease seemed to be spreading, and urged that some of the churches without pastors would give some of these young folks a chance, at least for the summer months when they need work.

Different ones now spoke of the work which their societies were doing, and some spoke of difficulties they were having, and all who felt that they were in any way handicapped were encouraged by our leaders to press on, as they were all doing good work.

Several short articles were read by different ladies relative to mission work and interesting children in the work. Sister Churchill advocated having a circulating library of mission books and our getting in the habit of reading this type of literature.

After a vote of thanks to the Lawrence church
for their hospitality, there was a season of intercessory prayer by several of those present.

The evening service opened at 7.15 with praise service, Scripture reading by Sister Walker, and prayer by Bro. Shattuck. A musical selection by three young ladies followed, after which Sister Chadsey told us of her western trip, mentioning several amusing, as well as several pathetic incidents connected with the journey. She spoke of the good work the women were doing out there, in some places being told that the women's society was the strongest thing in the church. She said she had come home with a greater love and deeper respect for the women of the denomination, that in the West they were one with us and we were all working together.

In closing, she said we had a splendid message, that we must hold up the Christ and give the message no uncertain sound.

ALICE M. SMITH, Secretary.

THINKING the readers of the All Nations might like to know how our small society at Princeton, Me., is growing, I am sending our first yearly report.

We organized May 29, 1919, with ten members, adding two new members at our third meeting; and they have proven workers indeed.

At the close of our first year we find we have sold $6.28 worth of aprons, tacked and made quilts amounting to $3.50, sent a small donation to help our sick Sister Jones, leaving a balance of $4.35 in the treasury. We are a small band of workers, but they have proven workers indeed.

The Atteboro W. H. & F. M. local met at the home of our vice-president, Mrs. H. H. Tucker, on Friday evening for their monthly business meeting. Two honorary members were voted in, making a total of seven honorary members and twenty-five active members. Twelve of these are new members, secured in the last two months. After the business was transacted a very interesting program was given under the direction of Mrs. Tucker. Our new pastor and wife, Bro. and Sister Armstrong, were present, and Sister Armstrong spoke a few words of encouragement at the close of the meeting and offered prayer. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant time enjoyed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts for May, 1920

California—Los Angeles local, $5.50; San Diego local, $25; La Verne local, $2; Oakland local, $36; San Francisco local, $5; Santa Clara local, $13.57; Napa local, $8; Mrs. Woods, $5; Santa Rosa local, $20.25; Santa Cruz local, $28; Mary E. Barton, $40; Pasadena local, $100; Alfred G. Blair, $21; Mrs. C. W. Kerlin, $5; Geo. F. Skey, $6.

Colorado—Mrs. E. A. Knowlton, $5.

Connecticut and Western Massachusetts—Evangeline Otis, $2; Palmer local, by Gladys Christenson, $1.25; Bridgeport local as follows: Mrs. C. A. Moore, $11.20.

Illinois—Ethel B. White, $10.

Iowa—C. M. Booth, $18.

Maine—Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dudley, $2; Portland local, $1; Carrie P. Tuck, $5; Biddeford local, $19.50; Mrs. A. J. Lang, $3; Mrs. George Virgin, $15.50; Christine Lang, $1.50; Elsie Rowe, $4.50; Blue Hill Falls S. S., $3; Retha Glover, $5; Milltown S. S., $5; Milltown local, $10; Miss Retha Glover and sister, $3.

Massachusetts—Naomi Caldwell, $4; Whitman S. S., $5; Mrs. Ruth Monk, $5; Newburyport Y. W. A., $3; Mrs. E. E. Wright, $1.50; Boston local, $10; R. F. C., $10; Lilian E. Faulkingham, $1; treasurer of Eastern District, $1.16; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hobill, $10; Mrs. Addie L. Lovett, $2; F. A. Waters, $1; New Bedford local, $10.50; Worcester local, $7.

New Hampshire—Danbury S. S., $20; Concord local, by Thomas Hall, $10; Concord S. S., $5.75; Northwood Narrows local, $7.55; So. Barnsted S. S., $7.38; Ellen Varney, $30; a friend, $37.50; Lakeport local, $3; Dover local, $7.50; Manchester local, $14.

New Jersey—G. W. Smith, $3.

New York—So. West Hoosick local, $4; Mrs. Eva B. Woods, $6.

Ontario—Toronto Junior Mission Band, $1.

Quebec and Northern Vermont—Alton G. Woodard, $1; St. Johnsbury local, $5; Ada Longford, $1.50; Mrs. H. Vaudry, $10; Lucy E. Wilson, $5.

Treasurer

Rhone Island and Eastern Connecticut—Providence local, $7.25; Mrs. Lawrence, $150; Mrs. Chase, 50 cts.; friends, $5; Willing Workers, No. Scituate Society, $10.

Vermont—Friends, $2.

Western Washington and British Columbia—Mrs. Bryyes, $5; Seattle local, $12; Aleta Chapman, $5; Merna Chapman, $2; Ella Clark, $6.85; Thomas Rouse, $15.

General Helpers' Union, $9; sales, $1.15; rent, $47.50; All Nations' subscriptions, $35.29; total receipts, $1381.12.

Note—We need $5584.74 before Aug. 1, if we are to reach the goal set for the year, $25,000. This means that every one of us must do what we can, and urge others to do so also. Conditional gifts will help out.

MADE M. CHADSEY, Treasurer.
FROM THE Y. W. A. SUPERINTENDENT

My dear Girls:

Another year of our mission work is nearly gone, and the time for the reports is at hand. The unusually severe winter and much sickness has made it difficult for the societies to keep up their regular work, but in spite of all difficulties I know much has been done that is worth while. The report blanks are being sent out, and I trust the secretaries will fill them out and return them promptly. Sometimes a secretary will say, "We have not done much," or "anything worth reporting," and will not even send in the list of names of officers. This is not fair to the society, and makes it hard for the superintendent to make out her report. Perhaps the little thing one society did not consider worth reporting might be of special help to another society, so let us have all the little items to help make a good report.

The annual meetings of the State mission societies and the general society will be held during the next few months, and I trust many of you will attend and learn and help all you can. The slogan for these days is, "Forward." Let us go forward improving every opportunity.

Cordially yours,

MARY E. Rowe.

REPORT OF THE BOYS' MISSION CLUB OF TORONTO, ONT., FROM JANUARY, 1919, TO MAY, 1920

The club held eleven regular and several special meetings, gave two entertainments, went on hikes, picnics and listened to several speakers on different themes.

They support a boy in India, gave to the India famine fund, Dowling Park Orphanage, Aurora College, New England School of Theology Home, their own church, sent fruit to the sick, and made gifts to their pastor and others.

They raised their funds raising chickens and selling eggs, the produce of the "missionary hen" given them last year, and by monthly contributions which each boy brought.

At the beginning of the year Mr. Bowser offered three prizes to the boys bringing in the most money for missions during 1919. The following won these prizes: Sidney Bowser, who collected during the year $22.69; Ernest Thompson, $17.71, and Sidney Langley, $16.37; two receiving gold rings and one a tie pin, each engraved with the club's initials, B. M. C.

NEW W. H. & F. M. SOCIETIES

Exeter, N. H.—President, Mrs. Mae Colliishaw; vice-president, Mrs. Mae Cammilt; secretary, Mrs. Addie M. Lary; treasurer, Mrs. Lulu Murphy.

Green Cove Springs, Fla.—President, Mrs. W. L. Woods; vice-president, Mrs. Elvah Wager; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. S. F. Geiger; executive board, Mrs. P. H. Dowling, Mrs. J. B. Rivers, Mrs. Elvah Wager.

Y. W. A. SOCIETIES

Dover, N. H.—President, Harriet Lawrence; vice-president, Margaret Campbell; secretary, Lillian Mountford; treasurer, Alice Drew.

Newburyport, Mass.—President, Mrs. Frank E. Pond; vice-president, Miss Mildred Wing; secretary, Miss Mildred Pond; treasurer, Miss Marion Currier.

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For awhile the man sat and let the floods of memory sweep over him. He recalled the days long gone. He had been in business when the call of the ministry came—compelling, inexorable. He had been offered a partnership worth three thousand a year, with the sure prospect of the business becoming ultimately his own. Had he been a fool to refuse? Men said so. It was a thought which came to him again and again on "squaring-up" days. A temptation, was it? An eclipse of faith? If so, it was but for a moment, and then it passed . . . for . . .

"No man hath left—house—or lands—for My sake and for the Gospel's, but he shall receive an hundredfold now—in this time, and in the world to come, eternal life."—Unknown.

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