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

AN APPEAL
For Additional Missionaries in India

W e believe that no conception of the duty of the Church of Christ to the non-Christian world is adequate which does not contemplate the preaching of the Gospel to every creature in such a way as to make it intelligible within the shortest possible period of time. The needs of all who are ignorant of Christ are so great, and the commands to preach to all are so specific, that any unnecessary delay in making Christ, known to all men everywhere can only be regarded as unfaithfulness to duty and disobedience to our divine Lord.

A study of India as a whole at the beginning of this new century, after more than one hundred years, of Missionary effort, while affording great reason for devout thankfulness to God for the successes achieved impresses us with the vastness and the difficulties of the work yet to be done before the nation can be evangelized. Even if the total number of people in India who now understand the Gospel should be ten times as great as the number embraced in the Christian Community, is it not reason for very serious delay in making Christ known to all men everywhere? Even if there were that proportion, and each one had ten trained evangelists working with him, each of these would have to look after the spiritual interests of a parish of 5,000 souls, while the average number of people to each ordained minister either in England or in America is about 1 to 700, although in these home countries the number of trained voluntary Christian workers is vastly greater than can be expected in India for many years to come.

In view also of the fact that throughout India, a large proportion of the women can only be evangelized by women, and that their work is beset by even greater difficulties than the work among the men, we believe that there should be as many lady Missionaries as there are male missionaries, or an average of not less than one to every 50,000 of the entire population.

This would mean a fourfold increase of the total present number of missionaries in India. With the fulness of God’s blessing resting upon such a force, wisely distributed throughout the whole country, there would be reason to hope that the Gospel might be made intelligible to the entire population during the lifetime of many now engaged in the work. The planning and praying for so glorious a result more than the Lord of the harvest would have us undertake in His name, knowing that all authority in heaven and on earth has been given unto Him and that according to His promise. He is with us, always, even unto the end of the world.—Report Decennial Missionary Conference in India.
**TREASURER'S REPORT**

*From Aug. 1, to Sept. 15, 1903.*

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Lena N. Bradford, Treasurer.

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THE annual meeting of the W. H. & F. M. S. was held at Alton Bay, N. H., August 18, 1903. The morning session began at 10 a.m. with the President in the chair.

Greetings were read in the form of Scripture selections from the local societies of Massachusetts, California, New Hampshire and Rhode Island.

Prayer was offered by Mrs. Nina L. McFadyen, of California.

Voted that an assistant recording secretary be appointed pro tem. Miss Mabel E. Place, sec. of Rhode Island was appointed.

The members of the Executive Board were introduced and gave greetings to the convention.

The following committees were appointed by the chair: Credentials: Miss Minnie I. Gage, Mrs. S. L. Batchelder, Mrs. Emma G. Hall; resolutions: Mrs. Mabel R. Makepeace, Mrs. Nina L. McFadyen, Mrs. L. A. Rice; courtesy: Mrs. Roger Sherman, Mrs. G. H. Wallace, Miss Louise Dodge.

Roll call of States followed. The reports of the State Presidents were then given as follows: Mrs. S. L. Batchelder of New Hampshire; Mrs. Mabel R. Makepeace of Massachusetts; Mrs. S. K. Taylor reported for Maine; Mrs. Bertha S. Hazard's report of R. I., was read by the clerk. Mrs. A. R. Organ's report of N. California was read by Mrs. N. L. McFadyen.

Greeting of Mrs. Eliza J. King of N. Carolina and report of Mrs. Eva I. McKenna of Quebec and N. Vermont was read by clerk.

Reports of general officers: Mrs. S. K. Taylor, president of the society gave a general outline of the work which has been accomplished during the past year. Not only has the interest increased but also the number oflocals, and the circulation of our paper "All Nations," has grown. A rising vote of thanks was tendered to the president for her unwritten report. The eastern vice president, Mrs. M. R. Makepeace then gave her report and a letter read from Mrs. A. R. Organ, western vice president. The field secretary, Miss Minnie I. Gage, gave her report of the work in the south.

The clerk, Mrs. Susie B. Thompson reported the work of the executive board during the year. The report was accepted. Report of the treasurer, Miss Lena N. Bradford was then read, and the auditor's report given. Both of these reports were accepted.

It was voted to have at 3 o'clock a recess of half an hour to attend the baptism at that hour. Voted to adjourn till 1 o'clock.

The afternoon session commenced with the reading of Scripture quotations as greeting from the remainder of the states.

Singing by choir.

Prayer by Elder G. W. Sederquist.

Singing by Elder M. McFadyen.

Voted that all members of the Society present be allowed to vote, excepting those whose home locals have sent in their votes by delegates.

Voted that all duly elected delegates present without credentials be allowed to vote as if they had been given credentials.

Minutes of last annual meeting were read and approved.

Proceeded to the election of the general officers. Mrs. G. H. Wallace of Ct., and Mrs. L. A. Rice of Mass., were appointed tellers.

The following officers were then unanimously elected: president, Mrs. Sarah K. Taylor; first vice president, Mrs. Mabel R. Makepeace; second vice president, Mrs. A. R. Organ; clerk, Mrs. Susie B. Thompson; field secretary, Miss Minnie I. Gage.

Voted that the offices of corresponding secretary and treasurer be filled by one person. Miss Lena N. Bradford was duly elected to fill these offices.

Three minute addresses were given on the following subjects: "The Benefits of Organization" by Mrs. Emma L. Hall; "India Supplies" by Mrs. S. L. Batchelder; "Our Young People" by Miss Mabel E. Place, read by Mrs. M. R. Makepeace.

After the recess the meeting opened with a duet by Mrs. Blair and Mr. Larcom.

Remarks and singing of a hymn in Chinese by Miss Cassidy then followed.

Address by Mrs. Abbie C. Morrow.

Solo by Miss Grace Tripp.

Report of Resolutions Committee read and adopted.

Voted: That a Resolutions Committee of four be appointed by the chair to serve the coming year. The chair appointed Mrs. Mabel R. Makepeace of New England, Mrs. A. R. Organ of California, Mrs. Abbie Lee Shattof Illinois and Mrs. Nina L. McFadyen as the resolutions committee.

Voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSIE B. THOMPSON, Clerk.

A SALES COUNTER

This year at Alton Bay we allowed two little girls to have a small store on one end of the piazza of the Headquarters. They did quite a business, and if we could have a sales counter there ourselves another year it might bring in considerable money. But to do this we must have things to sell, and those things must be given, as it would not pay to sell on commission with the added work and care of extra book-keeping; and the complication of so many little accounts with so many different parties. Now can your local furnish articles to be sold? Aprons, tidies, sweeping caps, broom covers, all sorts of fancy and useful articles could be sold, we think to advantage. This year we sold two floor rugs which a sister made and gave to the mission. If you can furnish things for sale please let us know and we will make arrangements for getting them in season.

CRADLE CORNER

Can you not help us in this Corner? Are all the children under five years in your church and vicinity members of our Cradle Roll?
HOME MISSION WORK

WHEN we formed the Woman’s Home and Foreign Mission Society it was in our minds to take up home mission work, not only in our home states, but in the South and West; but after our work in India opened and grew so rapidly it seemed best to do our home work through channels already in use; so while our women have done a large amount of home mission work it has been done through the State Conferences, State Mission Societies, and similar agencies. This work has sometimes been reported to us, and mentioned in the All Nations, but has never been under our jurisdiction, and the funds received for it have never passed through our treasury. The only work under the jurisdiction of our Board has been in India. However, now it seems both duty and privilege to open a Home Department in our Society.

For several years Miss Gage, our Field Secretary has been impressed to go South as a missionary. She put aside those impressions and continued teaching school, until health failed, and her physician ordered her to go South to save her life. In the mild climate of Florida her health returned and in a few weeks she was doing Gospel work.

The following letter from Brother Johnson shows how her efforts were appreciated; and we much wish to employ her as our Southern Missionary the coming winter. When Miss Gage was conferred with she said she would be glad to go South as a missionary, and that if the Society would pay her travelling expenses that would be all she would ask in remuneration for her services. Shall we do this? Let every member pray over this matter. If we add this department to our work we must increase our revenue. How can this be done? Our Treasurer suggests that each member pay an annual due of twenty-five cents for this Home Department? Shall we have a prompt response to this call? Tell us what you think of this plan.

50,000 PIN HOLES

AND every pin hole meant a cent given for Jesus. There were more than 50,000 of them; there may have been 100,000; but we did not count them. We sent them to India with the money which was used to build our beautiful new Junior Orphanage, in which our Orphan Girls are now safe and comfortable. We have new cards now. Miss Spence’s picture is on one end, and on the other is a place for new pin holes, or for pencil marks to tell how much money has been given. We will send you all the cards you can use. Cut off the picture and keep it. Sometimes we will send you another card with another picture on it. If you keep all these pictures you will have a fine collection bye and bye.
T**oo often,** in planning for missionary meetings comic recitations, secular songs, and dramatic readings, perfectly harmless in themselves, are allowed a place on the pretext of attracting those not interested. Be assured it will not work, and nothing but ridicule and defeat will be the result. Let nothing foreign to the subject of missions creep into the programme.

Always begin with prayer; but let it be a short, earnest prayer for a special and direct blessing on this special meeting. Too often prayer is offered just because it is the proper thing to begin with prayer.

Always use the Bible; but use it as the word of God, the "sword of the Spirit." Expect to accomplish something by using the passage selected. Sometimes a single text, with a few pointed remarks, will influence more than a whole chapter. For example: "Stir up the gift of God that is in thee." The gift that is in thee, not your neighbor's gift, not some great gift, not the gift you wish you had, but the gift that you have. Everybody has some gift. What is yours? Or, "Where hast thou gleaned to-day?" Only five little words, but what a searching question! The Bible is full of such strong texts.

Appoint twelve to form a band of missionary tourists—imaginary, of course—to visit each mission field and once a month send the society a letter from the field for that month. Enclose the letter in a large envelope properly addressed to the society, and seal it. Cancelled stamps from each field can be secured by writing to the various mission boards, and be placed on the envelope. The letters should be written so as to be as real and as true as possible, and many are the facts about manners and customs, and also about the mission stations and missionary workers, that can be vividly impressed in this way.

It is sometimes advisable to have all present take some part. When this is desired, select a number of facts, not more than one line each, but fresh and bright, and to the point. Write each on a slip of paper, and distribute them. Call for them by number in quick succession, and you will find that it will brighten the meeting and fasten many facts in the mind. Call them "fifty fixed facts," "twenty truths," "thirty thoughts," or "forty facts for thinking Christians," according to the number.

Every leader of a missionary meeting should feel that no meeting must be held without presenting direct and definite appeals of some kind. Never hold any meeting just for the sake of holding a meeting, but at every meeting seek, in some way, to impress on those present the great need for workers, for money, for prayer. And, above all, do not get discouraged. If one plan fails, try another. Do not forget what glorious work it is, and that a divine Saviour stands ready to help.—Sunday School Times.
LETTERS FROM INDIA
From Miss Spence

GUINDY, July 29, 1903:

MY DEAREST SISTER TAYLOR:

I have had a very full day with me today and it is now about 8.30 p.m. We have just finished dinner. The children are all in bed and I have just seen to two or three little ones who have some slight ailments. One child, Balaka, has been rather bad for more than ten days, but she is just getting better. She is one of the famine orphans and most probably the seeds of neglect in infancy have much to do with her sickness now. On the whole though we have been very fortunate; God this year has given us all health and strength.

We are hoping very much to have the children safely ensconced in their new home on the 15th of August. The work has lagged out considerably longer than we expected and at times we feel so tired and "have need of great patience." At any rate it is like the man who was nearly seventy years when he married and then said it was not too long "to wait for a good thing" meaning his wife. So we can say that we have one of the best orphanages we have seen in India. Although we had to wait for it our trips and insight into every mission we could see, has helped us to get together a few valuable ideas. The orphanage is so lofty, airy, bright, commodious and so comfortable looking inside, although judging from the outward appearance one would not think it is as nice inside as it really is. What a delightful feeling of safety we will have regarding our girls when once we know that they are quite safe at night. We had a storm this evening at 4 p.m. and you should have seen how their thatch was swayed. It is only God's goodness that has kept the children so safe up to this.

If the way is quite clear I hope to start for Bangalore on Monday next to put in a fortnight's work in the school there.

Mr. Edwards has returned from Kody looking quite a different man altogether. He looks now just as well as he did during his first year in India.

We are sending you in the next parcel the plan of the Junior Orphanage also some handkerchiefs and a complete set of Indian jewelry as is worn by the native women in India. You can arouse interest amongst the children by giving one jewel to them each time they bring in a dollar on their cards. What do you think of this plan? Do you think it will work? You will judge from the cheapness of jewelry how large a demand there is for it. It is so cheap that even the poorest companies me to-morrow for a short change and I have the satisfaction though of knowing that we did everything we could for her. The doctor said no one could have done more than we did. We know she is safe in the arms of Jesus and will sleep till "the day breaks and the shadows flee away." I was not able to go to the funeral or help in any way as I was confined to my bed with quinsy and high fever. I had to call in the best medical aid here as the apothecary is now about 8.30 p.m. that night. Miss Saunders and Mr. Edwards superintending the digging of the grave in a lonely cemetery some miles away. It was very sad and cheerless, and it was long after ten that they came home. Such are our experiences here and at such times if the everlasting arms did not hold us up we would sink by the way.

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I have a pretty hard time of it but I am stronger after it than I expected to be. My throat is still weak, but I expect I will soon be well again by God's blessing. Of course this illness of mine kept me from starting for Bangalore as I intended. I hope, however, to leave to-morrow evening D. V.

Miss Saunders is very much tired out too after all the nursing and her own illness. So she accompanies me to-morrow for a short change and rest.

Our orphanage is finished and it is, oh! so nice! The girls are so comfortable. Last Sunday we entered it and had a praise and prayer service. We will send you a photo of it. Perhaps some that they came home. Such are our experiences here and at such times if the everlasting arms did not hold us up we would sink by the way.

I must close now. Pray, pray for us. There are many open doors and we need wisdom in everything and grace to help in time of need. God bless you all.

Ever yours lovingly,
A. G. SPENCE.

The boxes arrived in splendid condition. The food came all right and the machine—why it is a perfect jewel. More about this in my next.

JUNIOR SOCIETY

We trust before this you have a Junior Society. You know it only takes one child, and one grown up Christian to make a Junior Society. There is no greater means of education and grace than a Mission Society among the children.
FROM INDIA
From Miss Saunders

GUINDY, MADRAS, July 16, 1903.
Dear Sister Taylor:

In looking over my book I am surprised to find that I have not written to you for a month.

The only excuse I can give is because of lack of news and rush of work. This must be a busy time with you. We received letters from you this week with the money order. We were pleased to get such a large one and hope they will keep on coming that way; if they do I see where our work can be enlarged. The man I spoke to you about that applied to us for a position has got one now. Alice's Brother Willie that was sick has been here for sometime. He is improving wonderfully and we are trying to persuade him to remain and help Alice in her school work. He is a splendid Christian young man and would make a good worker for us if he could but feel that the Lord was leading this way. For my part I think he would be a good addition to the mission.

We are on the lookout for good Bible women and if we can secure what we want every village where we have schools will have house to house visitation, that is, as many as will allow us to enter their homes.

In Jeldenpet our work is very encouraging. Some of the men of the village are getting much interested and making enquiries concerning our belief and some have expressed a desire to join us. We must have a good straight talk with them. About pictures of the children, you will have to be patient. We could not possibly have them taken at present. With much love,

J. M. Saunders.

REPORT OF OREGON AND WASHINGTON

The annual meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society of Oregon and Washington met at the conference at Hood River, Oregon, July 18, 1903 with President, Sister Haffenden in the chair. Meeting opened by singing No. 25 in the Golden Sheaf. Mrs. J. C. Smith offered the opening prayer, and earnestly asked God's richest blessing upon the Home and Foreign Mission work. Mrs. Haffenden then read the 28th chap. of Matthew, after which all united in singing No. 94. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. Reports from the Portland, John Day, Cornelius and Hood River societies were then read.

Sister Upton made a few remarks in regard to the work at Hood's River stating that their society had adopted a boy in India and said they were going to try and do more work the coming year. Mrs. Hansberry made a few remarks and manifested a real missionary spirit.

Mrs. Winterstein reported the mission work at Goldendale dead. Mrs. Haffenden suggested that a society be organized at Goldendale, Spring Creek and Columbus, believing this to be a better method of getting up an interest in the mission work. She stated the Portland Society took special missionary collections amounting to some $8 or $9 per month, for use in their home mission. She urged the members to do more for foreign mission work and the Lord would bless them more abundantly. Miss Spence's report for 1901 and 1902 was then read by the President, from All Nations Quarterly, showing a very progressive work being done in India for the Master's cause. Brother Brampton was called upon for a talk upon the mission cause. He very earnestly urged the Adventist people to be more earnest in the mission work and do more in this line, as it was not only our privilege but our duty to our Master, and insisted that a church that refused to support Home and Foreign Missions would die both financially and spiritually.

The officers elected for the coming year were: president, Mrs. Clara Haffenden of Portland, Ore.; vice president, Mrs. Mary Chapman; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Lois Wright.

Meeting closed by singing No. 24, The Golden Morning.

MARY CHAPMAN, Sec.

FROM ALL NATIONS

The first school for girls in China in which unbound feet were made a condition of entrance was opened by the Church Mission at Hanchow in 1867.

The Christian Telugus of India are sending missionaries to South Africa, where in Natal alone are 60,000 Hindus, and in the Transvaal several thousand more.

Seventy-six per cent of the population of Australasia is Protestant, according to the latest census returns. Of these, the Methodist church numbers over a half-million.

The isolation method has proved so successful that leprosy will soon be a thing of the past in Norway, and the leper hospital at Bergen is to be used for the isolation of patients suffering from tuberculosis.

The British Railway Mission successfully carried on a campaign last summer, erecting tents for services in large railroad centers. There are sixty branches in Scotland, and several in India, South Africa and Japan.

At the National Exposition in Osaka, Japan, arrangements have been made for a continuous Christian campaign, with suitable quarters for preaching and for the sale of Christian literature. The different denominations successively take charge.

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Children's Page.

THE BRAHMINS.
The Brahmans in India are the Hindu priests. They are very proud, and were once the richest people in India. They were the rulers before England obtained possession of the country, and were worshiped as gods by the lower caste. They are now called *swami* which means god, and are the very highest caste in India. These Brahmans are very intelligent, and think much of learning. One day when Miss Spence was going to her parish school one of these priests stopped her and said: "Why don't you have a school for us? you care about those mean, low-down people (the pariahs) but you care nothing for us." "Oh, yes, I care for you," replied Miss Spence, "and would like to have a school for your children." "If you will start a school here," said the Brahmin, "I will promise you fifty boys in less than a month." So Miss Spence started a school in the Brahmin village, and now we have a school of boys who are all sons of Hindu priests. The Brahmans provided the school house, which you see in the picture. The teachers are Christians and an hour and a half each day are spent in studying the Bible. These children do not get along as fast as some of the lower caste schools, or even the pariahs, because there are so many heathen festivals which the children stay out of school to attend. But we are praying that some may be converted, and that the lessons they learn from the Bible may sink so deeply into their hearts that they will never forget them.

Woodstock, N. B., Sept. 1, 1903.

*Dear Sister Taylor:*

I inclose an offering from three children, collected in the India bags. Ernest Webber, a dear boy who is a constant supporter of the mission work both in India and China, $1.40

Helen Raymond, 71

Nellie Brewer, 27

This little girl who died shortly after this wished so much she could have done more.

A few days before her death while lying on her cot (she had consumption) she took her little Bible and slate and found the following texts which formed an Acrostic for her name.

Now know I that the Lord saveth his anointed.

Even the night shall be light about thee.

Love thy neighbor as thyself.

Lo! I am with you always.

I will go before thee and make the crooked places straight.

Ever follow that which is good.

I thought it so beautiful, I would send it for the children's page in "All Nations."

Seddie L. Dickinson.

MY WISH

If I, in harvest fields,
Where strong ones reap,
May bind one golden sheaf
For love to keep.

May speak one quiet word
When all is still,
Helping some failing heart
To hear thy will.

Or sing one high, clear song,
On which may soar
Some glad soul heavenward,
I ask no more!


"I WISH" AND "I WILL"

"I Wish" and "I Will," so my grandmother says,

Were two little boys in the long ago;

And "I Wish" used to sigh while "I Will" used to try

For the things he desired: at least that's what my
grandma tells me, and she ought to know.

"I Wish" was so weak, so my grandmother says,

That he longed to have some one to help him about;

And while he'd stand still and look up the hill,

And want to be there to go coasting, "I Will!

Would slide past him with many a shout.

Both hoped to be men, so grandmother says,

But all that "I Wish" ever did was to dream,

To dream and to sigh that life's hill was so high,

While "I Will" went to work, and soon learned if we try

Hills are never so steep as they seem.

"I Wish" lived in want, so my grandmother says,

But "I Will" had enough and a portion to spare;

Whatever he thought was worth winning he sought

With an earnest and patient endeavor that brought

Of blessings a bountiful share.

And whenever my grandma hears any one "wish,

A method she seeks in her mind to instill

For increasing his joys, and she straightway employs

The lesson she learned from the two little boys

Whose names were "I Wish" and "I Will."

— Nixon Waterman.

The average gift of each church-member for foreign missions is about forty cents a year, or one-ninth of a cent a day. Is this the price we place on the redemption of the world?

Wilmotn, N. C., July 30, 1903.

*Dear Sister Taylor:*

As you have notified us, the Busy Bees, of our yearly report we will now send it in. We have 11 boys in our society and one man which is Papa, Elder J. F. King and 44 girls counting our older sisters.

We have sent the State Evangelist, $3.00

Suffering India, 2.00

Tracts, 1.00

Painting of Church, 5.00

We have sent this for the cause since February, 1903.

Balance in treasury $1.50.

Grace King, president; Nettie Mintze, secretary; Annie King, treasurer.

P. S. We will send $1 for Suffering India now.

During the year 1901 the British and Foreign Bible Society reached the aggregate of 5,057,421 Bibles or portions of the Bible in its distribution since foundation.

OUR BRAHMIN SCHOOLHOUSE AND CHILDREN

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