ONE OF THE OLDEST PALACES IN MADRAS OWNED BY A NATIVE RAJAH, OR KING

The Rajahs were the Kings of the different presidencies of India before Great Britain took possession of that country. They are frequently very rich having palaces of splendor, large retinues of servants, immense domains of land and innumerable slaves, but they look upon the lower classes only with scorn and contempt, and never minister to their necessities in any way. During the terrible famines that desolate India the wealthy natives did nothing to relieve the starving people.

THE SEED TIME O' THE YEAR

Sow in the morn thy seed,
At eve hold not thy hand;
To doubt and fear give thou no heed,
Broadcast it o'er the land.

Beside all waters sow,
The highway furrows stock,
Drop it where thorns and thistles grow,
Scatter it on the rock.

The good, the fruitful ground
Expect not here nor there;
O'er hill and dale alike, 'tis found;
Go forth, then, everywhere.

Thou know'st not which may thrive,
The late or early sown;
Grace keeps the precious germs alive,
When and wherever sown.

Then, when the glorious end,
The day of God shall come,
The angel-reapers shall descend,
And heaven sing, "Harvest home!"

—MONTGOMERY.

THE BLESSED STORY

Written for All Nations Monthly

In King David's royal city, in a land beyond the sea,
In a stable, (O, the pity!) in a manger cradled, He,
Who for the love He bore us came to earth in lowly guise,
Had His birth. Hark! list the chorus sung by angels from the skies,
"On earth peace, good will to men."

Now He bids us tell the story to the lost ones on the sea,
How on Calvary, sad and gory, dying that we might be free
From our sins, and pure and holy, fit His glorious home to share
All who follow, mock and lowly, then a crown of life shall wear,
When to earth He comes again.

Spread the message, sister, brother, for life's sands are running fast;
And with love for one another hasten on the ocean vast.
Bear the tidings of salvation, of a Savior, Helper, King,
Till they come from every nation, and the glorious anthem sing—
"Glory! glory in the highest!"
Hills and vales with praises ring
"On earth peace, good will to men."

JESSIE E. JORDAN.
LETTERS FROM INDIA

From Miss Saunders

Guindy; Madras, May 16, 1905.

My Dear Mrs. Taylor:

By the time this letter reaches you, you will have had a good talk with Miss Spence and heard all about Guindy and the work, so anything that is written will seem rather tame. Mrs. Allan has gone to Bangalore for her holiday. While she is away I am having a house cleaning time, as it is vacation in the school. I have had a very busy and happy week with the girls. They have proved very helpful in the cleaning. We began with the go-downs (store house). The small children were most interested in the box containing the small pieces of print and all wanted enough for doll clothes. Guanathubum with her witty speeches kept everybody good natured. She frequently reminded them that they would not get "Sunbalum" (pay) if they did not work well. The next morning when on my usual tour of inspection I noticed that they were very busy making doll clothes, a little later Yessidial came and asked for one measure of rice and a coconut. I knew this meant something special. We had to wait for the white washers to finish their work so the girls had a day for rest and pleasure. About 3 p.m. I heard a good deal of talking on the verandah and went out to find all the girls gathered there. I was greeted in Tamil with "Praise, praise, praise to Missie" and a shower of flowers. They had spread a small table for me which I was told was in honor of their doll's wedding. They had brought their dolls decked out in new clothes. Guanathubum with her cleverly dressed one for the bridegroom in European style and two others were dressed in native men's costume. The collation served was cocoanut, rice, dahl and bringal and pepperwice. Thavairakum was cook and did it very nicely. Rebecca wanted to do something out of the ordinary so she came to the wedding with a pair of my old shoes on tied with bright red strings. We had a very enjoyable half hour at the dolls wedding and then we spent the next hour at sewing.

I told them to have their food early and I would take them for a moonlight walk. At 6.30 we started for Saidapet. Fifty girls dressed all in red and walking in line attracted much attention all along the way, and when we stopped at the sweetmeat bazaar they were soon surrounded by hundreds of men, women and children. The girls each had 1 pice (one-half cent) to spend and it took one big fat Brahmin sometime to wait upon them. I asked the girls to sing. It worked like a charm for what had been Babel became a dead silence. After all had spent their pice we turned our steps homeward. Thus ended a very happy day.

Friday we had to work in good earnest for doors, windows and floor of the orphanage had to be washed. I promised them an English tea in the afternoon if they worked well and they did, even the little tots bringing sand to scour the floor. It was 4 o'clock when we finished work and we had a hour to rest before the big tea. I wish you could have been present and how Miss Spence would have enjoyed it. The remark the girls made were most amusing not many of them like our way of having tea. Guanathubum styled it "Lady's tea." They all enjoyed the fun. We have many bright girls, it is a pleasure to be with them.

On Easter Sunday we had a baptism at Velacherie followed by communion. Three of our teachers and one of Mr. Edwards boys were baptized. The boys name is Sivalagum.

We are all very well and still hard at work at house-cleaning we hope to finish this week.

J. M. Saunders.

From E. Dora Allan

Bangalore, May 25, 1905.

My Dear Mrs. Taylor:

All our schools in Madras closed on the 8th of May for the hot weather vacation I came up here to spend the time with my parents and little girls. Miss Saunders will have her holiday on my return early next month. The weather here is at all times cooler than at Madras and the heavy showers of rain that have fallen for more than a week makes the difference still more appreciable. It is of course a great treat to me to play the mother to my girlies for a little while.

We were greatly relieved to hear from Alice from London for her voyage was so full of lots and hindrances and her ship carried so many combustibles that it was hard not to be anxious. We pray that her visit to America will accomplish all and more than you wish, but in all the business her visit will involve, please do not relax your prayers that great wisdom may be given to us here to carry on the work during her absence. The work grows so rapidly and the responsibility is at times overwhelming and your daily prayers will be such a help.

We are endeavoring to bring our schools in Bangalore under government inspection. This will improve the teaching and bring us a grant in money. Musical drill and kindergarten have been introduced to improve the attendance which has already risen. Then Mr. Pullicoden here holds every night a singing class for each of our pupils who wish to learn hymns. Besides this he has started what I call (prophetically) our "Dispensary" for the treatment of sore eyes only, which he is very successful in curing. Sore eyes are very common among the young here and I wish you could see the long stream of mothers carrying their babies across our grounds on their way to the "Dispensary." They always bring to my mind the incident connected with the mothers of Jerusalem. Then a little later on such a wall grows up as the medicine is dropped into the little eyes which in turn remind me of the "Cry of the Innocent." "Pshaw, what sentiment!" I think I hear some one remark to this; but even so, it is not without its uses, for as someone says "we must idealize our reals if we would realize our ideals."

E. Dora Allan.
GREETING TO ALICE SPENCE.

AN ACROSTIC.

All hail, dear friend, and the message you bear,
Let it enter hearts—is our earnest prayer,
Inciting to efforts from promptings within,
Connecting our hearts, as those of near kin,
Extending our work for your home land.

Spread forth the message, north, south, east and west,
Expressing the needs of India's fair land,
Night and darkness on every hand,
Courage and cheer as the message you bear,
Extending our work for your home land.

M. C. WHITE

ADAMS, MASS.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Dec. 19, 1904, to June 19, 1905.

Receipts.

Balance on hand,$14.14
Orphan support, 628
Home mission, 150
General fund, 358
Honorary members, 100
Money raised toward Miss Spence's expenses, 150

Total, $862.42

Received this month, $11.01

ORPHANAGE FUND

Previously acknowledged, $673.43

Total, $873.43

Received for Transit Fund, $10.35

LENA N. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

From June 15, to July 15, 1905.

California—F. Pillington $5.50.
Santa Cruz local 10, Antioch local 5, three children, Antioch 2.10.

Connecticut—Grace Elliot 51, A Friend 1, Mr. and Mrs. Mer­rill 5, Mrs. A. T. Washburn 1, Jennie H. Thomas 5.50, Hartford local 10.

Florida—Lake City 50.

Iowa—Hazel Grove S. S. $25.39, C. D. Cooper 2.


Minnesota—Bennett Neighborhood local 5.

Nebraska—A Friend 1, Mrs. Wm. Gibson 1.

New Brunswick—Pauline Rideout 1.

New Hampshire—Mrs. A. F. Batchelder 1, Mrs. L. P. Hart and son 5, Isabelle E. Moore 1, R. C. Jackman 2.

New Jersey—Carrie A. Martin 5.


North Carolina—Elija J. King 50c. Junior membership fees, Wilmington 80c.

Ohio—Collection Vales Corner 2, E. C. Manville 1.

Oregon—Mrs. L. J. Davison $1.

Rhode Island—Pawtucket local $1.50, North Scituate local 3.50.

Utah—100c.

Vermont—Violet Powers 1.


Wisconsin—Cainville local $1, Rev. A. E. Bloom 50c.

Total, $11.77; sales, $3.89; Miss A. G. Spence, $10; total amount, $416.20.

MONEY RECEIVED

From May 15, to June 15, 1905


California—Baltimore school, Northern California $12.50.

Connecticut—Grace Elliot 51, A Friend 1, Mr. and Mrs. Mer­rill 5, Mrs. A. T. Washburn 1, Jennie H. Thomas 5.50, Hartford local 10.

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Vermont—Violet Powers 1.

Washington—Collection Children's Day exercises, Nooksack 5.

Wisconsin—Cainville local $1, Rev. A. E. Bloom 50c.

Subscriptions, $11.77; sales, $3.89; Miss A. G. Spence, $10; total amount, $416.20.

MONEY RECEIVED

From May 15, to June 15, 1905

California—Mrs. T. A. Kelsey 1, W. C. Sullivan 5, Mrs. A. R. Organ 5, Lilian J. Williams 10, Miss Rich 5, Miss Turrell 5.

Los Angeles local 21.35.

Florida—Lake City local $6.60, Mrs. V.实施方案's S. S. class 65c.

Illiinois—Albie Lee Shafto $5.


Maine—Mrs. A. J. Bowell $4, Mrs. R. R. York 1, H. B. Bowes 15.75, Herbert McCobb 14c, Clayton McCobb 13c, Helen McCobb 14c, Mrs. J. H. Norton 75c, Martin Leiger 1, Clara Davis 25c. Rockland local 5, Sarah M. Smith 1, Laura Peterson 25c, Bangor local 5, Angie M. Tibbetts 2, Goodwin's Mills Advent Christian church 10, George F. Stedman 2.60.

Massachusetts—Ursalind A. Nickerson 2, Brockton local 1.

Lawrence local 15, Plymouth local 3.50, C. J. Peters & Son Co. for advertising 5, Mrs. George V. Billings 2, Marian Peterson 5.

Michigan—George Roberts 5.

Missouri—Harriet E. Dyer 5.

New Brunswick—Peel local $7.50, St. Mary's Ferry local 2.35.

New Hampshire—Marcia Smart 5, S. Manchester local 22.50.

M. A. Goodwin 1, London Ridge local 3.

New York—Cora Freeman 5, Ellen Holdridge 75c, Mina L. Dowell 3.50, Evelia Starrett 5.

North Carolina—W. M. Cumming 3.75.

Oregon—C. A. Porter 5, Josie Laycock 1, Anna McCullum 5,

Fiorito A—Lake City local $2.

ORPHANAGE FUND

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Received this month, $11.01

Total, $880.42

LENA N. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

MESSIAH'S ADVOCATE

A WEEKLY paper published at Oakland, Cal., every Wed­nesday, edited by W. R. Young, heralding the coming of our Lord, and exhorting to holy living. Eight four­column pages. Subscription, $1.50; to new subscribers $1.00.

THE DAY DAWN.
ALL NATIONS MONTHLY

OUR ANNUAL CONVENTION

Our annual convention will be held at Alton Bay as usual this year but the date is uncertain. We wrote to the camp-meeting committee asking for the use of the camp-ground on Tuesday the day before the campmeeting begins. But in some way the letter miscarried. When the committee met as there was no request from us, and as the New Hampshire S. S. Association sent in a request for the use of the ground that day; their petition was granted and that day was given to them. We immediately wrote to the President and Secretary of the N. H. S. S. Association asking the privilege of having a part of the day using the time that the S. S. Association would not be in session and they have kindly consented to let us have from 2.30 to 7.30 p. m. We hope that every local will try to send delegates to that Convention, Read Article VII of our By-Laws. You will find it on page 43 of our July All Nations Monthly.

PROGRAM FOR ANNUAL CONVENTION

Devotional Services
Appointment of Committees
Reading Minutes of last meeting
Report of Officers: President, Vice Presidents, Clerk, Field Secretary, Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary
Election of Officers
Miscellaneous Business
Report of Committees
Reading of Minutes
Adjournment

MISS SPENCE

Our Beloved Sister, the Superintendent of our India work, arrived safely in this country after a very hard voyage, and so weary that since then she has been resting with loving friends the most part of the time. For economy's sake she took second place passage on the cheapest line of steamers. By this she saved our mission $75 but the discomfort of the journey was terrible. She was crowded into a little cabin with six others including two babies, she could not get suitable food, nor care when sick, nor sleep at night, and as a result she reached the end of her journey nearly ill. After a few days in Brooklyn, N. Y., where she was hospitably entertained, and where she spoke several times in Bro. Pile's church she rested a few days in our home in Rockland, Maine, then attended Beebe Plain camp-meeting, and went to Danville, P. Q., went to the Loyal Workers' Convention in Worcester, Mass., and accompanying our Eastern Vice President to her home in Palmer, Mass., and found sweet rest a short time in that sanctified home. At the present writing she is in Brockton with sister Carrie Scott, with whom Miss Saunders made her home for several years before going to India. We expect Miss Spence will visit our New England camp-meetings this summer, after which we shall arrange for her to visit our churches as God shall open the way and the Holy Spirit shall lead.

SALES COUNTER

Our sales counter at Alton Bay last year was helpful to our work. Many who could not give money gave their handiwork, and from the sale of those articles given for our India work we realized over $50. This year we shall again have articles for sale. Let those who wish to give for this purpose understand:

1) The articles must be sent to Alton Bay, N. H., camp-meeting without expense to the Society. We do not pay express or freight charges on articles sent to be sold.

2) They will not be sold on commission, nor returned to the giver if not sold. Every article must be absolutely given to the work. All articles not sold will be the property of the Society to be sold later if possible.

3) No separate account will be kept of the separate articles as this would add to labor for those already overworked.

4) Let the giver mark the price on each article. This price can be changed if necessary.

This year all the sales will be devoted toward building our Boy's Orphanage in India unless otherwise requested.

NOTICE

Thursday, August 17, will be Mission Day at Greene, (R. I.) Campmeeting.

Miss Alice G. Spence, Superintendent of our India Mission will deliver the morning address. Members and friends of the W. H. & F. M. S. in Rhode Island and Eastern Connecticut should make a special effort to be present.

MABEL B. PLACE, Sec.

NEW LOCALS

We wish to publish for the benefit of our officials and other members the names and offices of all new local societies. Will the officers of the same please report to us. We also send literature to all our new societies.

VERMONT—Fairhaven, Mrs. J. Webster president; Mrs. G. Armstrong vice president; Mrs. Elsie Ormes secretary and treasurer.
A PRAYER
If there be some waker one,
Give me strength to help him on;
If a blind soul there be,
Let me guide him nearer Thee.
Make my mortal dreams come true
With the work I fail would do;
Clothe with life the weak intent,
Let me be the thing I meant;
Let me find in Thy employ
Peace that dearer is than joy;
Out of self to love be led,
And to heaven acclimated.
Until all things sweet and good
Seem our nature’s habitude
—Whittier

WOMAN’S WORK FOR WOMEN
BY MRS. HORACE G. UNDERWOOD, M. D., SEOUL, KOREA
WHAT THE MISSIONARIES ARE DOING

LET us notice a few ways in which the condition of heathen women is changed for the better by the coming of the Gospel.

Nothing else is worth mentioning in comparison with the fact that souls are saved. For, after all, the things that are seen are only for a time, and a mortal’s condition during a few score years on earth will count for little in the eons of eternity. But even looking no further than this life, and to it alone, the work of the missionary has made a difference.

First. To teach young girls in schools.
Second. To train the intelligent, advanced Christian women who seem fit for it for Bible study and evangelistic work.
Third. To hold Bible classes, of a week or ten days’ duration, in the little Christian villages.

MISSIONARY REVIEW.

PENTECOST AMONG THE TELUGUS

THE most remarkable movement of modern times has taken place among the Telugus of Southern India. In the American Baptist Mission, a short distance north of Madras, with Nellore as a center, 10,000 natives embraced Christianity in one year. Previous to this movement there had been but little success that the mission was about to be abandoned, when, largely through the influence of Dr. Jewett, it was voted to reinforce the mission. Dr. Clough joined Dr. Jewett in 1865, and his work in Ongole among the leather workers, called madigas, became more promising. About ten years later came the severe famine of 1876 and 1877. Dr. Clough, who in his younger days had studied civil engineering, secured a contract from government to complete part of an important canal, and thus work and means of subsistence were provided for thousands of famishing people. Native overseers from among the Christians were placed over groups of fifty or one hundred men and women (for women also worked, carrying baskets of earth upon their heads). Those Christian helpers often worked with them, encouraging them, and at noon they told them the story of the cross as the people rested for their scanty meal. Suffering had made their hearts tender, and gratitude also led them to come in groups and place themselves under Christian instruction. After the famine, when they had been carefully instructed, and their motives and conduct had been tested, they were baptized and received into the church by thousands. The movement has continued with steady and gradual increase to the present time, and the church members are now more than 53,000. These movements in India have been almost exclusively among the lower classes, and the number of Christians is very small when compared with India’s heathen millions.
ORPHANAGE FUND

We have received for our Boy's Orphanage $880.42 leaving $919.58 to be raised between now and October 1st. Will every member of our Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society pray in secret for this Boy's Orphanage which is so much needed?

ORPHANAGE CARDS

We will freely furnish these to all who wish to raise money for our new orphanage.

BEEBE PLAIN CAMPGROUND.

June, 1905.

Receipts.

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REPORT OF LOCALS

At Beebe Annual Meeting, June 22, 1905.

Newport Center, Vt.—No. of active members, 16; No. of Junior members, 1; No. of honorary members, 5. Amount raised for foreign work, $24.02; amount raised for home work, $101.74. 20 meetings have been held during the past year.

West Derby, Vt.—Number of members, 5; number of meetings held, 11. Amount raised for foreign work, $5.18.

Scottish-vm, Quebec.—Number of members, 14. Sickness has prevailed throughout the year that it has been impossible for this society to do much, but we pray that disease may be banished to such an extent in this society that they may not be hindered from a great amount of work during the next year.

Waterloo, Quebec.—Number of members, 18; number of meetings, 14. Amount raised for foreign work, $31.60; amount raised for home work, $4.75.

Morrisville, Vt.—Number of members, 11. Amount raised for home work, $75.40; amount raised for foreign work, $16.

St. Johnsville, Vt.—Number of members, 19. Amount raised for home and foreign work, $467.11.

These societies have each done active work in their home meetings; several quilts have been made and donated to the mission work; besides numerous garments for the children of India, also scrap books and other useful articles.

Waterbury, Vt.—President, Mrs. E. G. Woodard; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. C. A. Allen. Number of active members, 14; number of honorary members, 7; number of Junior members, 12. Amount raised for home work, $16; amount for foreign, 3 down garments for India; for the traveling expenses of Miss Spence, $5; for Boys' Indian orphanage, (collection, July 9, 1905), $10.

The work this year is very much confused, as Miss Carrie Weed's health was so poor that it was impossible for her to continue as secretary and treasurer, neither was she able to do the work at Beebe Camp. The work passed through several hands before it came to me, consequently confusion prevailed. I have tried to straighten the business up somewhat, though it is far from right, so I cannot give as clear and detailed a report as I would be glad to. I have written many letters and have many more to write to find out the state of affairs. Yours in the work,

Marion E.Erdrick

New Secretary and Treasurer,

Canada, Box 129.

FROM ALL NATIONS

The Bible in Japan.—The Bible Society's agent in Japan reports that the circulation of the Scriptures in that country last year far exceeded all former records. In addition to the 233,000 copies given to the Japanese troops, the actual sales by the British Bible societies amounted to 12,606 copies—a increase of 10,489 on the sales of the previous year.

Presbyterian Foreign Missions.—The Presbyterian Board received for foreign missions last year $1,189,759. It has in its service 837 missionaries, and has sent out 63 new men and women.

Indians Flocking to Christ.—Says the Missionary Outlook: While much is being heard of the work of the Messrs. Torrey and Alexander in England, and of the revival in Wales, few are aware that British Columbia is also experiencing a revival. Away up in the interior, along the banks of the Upper Skeena, a wave of religio-sover has touched the Indians, and a crusade against heathenism and drink is being waged. A correspondent writes that bands of converted Indians visit the villages and settlements of the tribes; they have their own "Glory Song," and march through the villages with the Bible in one hand and their snowshoes in the other. So strong is the feeling and so powerful the movement that many of the tribes have converted to Christianity, and in six small villages alone 316 Indians have taken the temperance pledge. This is the outcome of the work of the Rev. W. J. Pierce, Methodist missionary to the Indians of the Upper Skeena, and apparently he is not alone in the effort, as our correspondent writes:

"It is touching to see some 100 converted Indians, men and women, on their knees in the snow praying to God to convert their friends. The revival started about six weeks ago, and is still going on. As a result, there are few Indians left in the district who have not voluntarily professed to accept Christianity, and it is hard to find more than one or two professed heathen Indians now at Hazleton, Kitkutcha, Kinsgara, Kisipax, and other nearby villages. When the missionary visited the villages on the Lower Skeena, 60 Indians from the Kispiax church accompanied him, and aided in the revival work.

The Religious States of Cape Colony.—The figures which follow are quoted from the last census, taken about a year ago:

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The census places the English Church third on the list, which includes all races. The list giving the number of Europeans, the Dutch Reformed Church comes first, 206,792; the English Church second, 125,466; the Methodists, Congregationalists, Presbyterians, Lutherans, Roman Catholics, and Baptists altogether amounting to 119,475.

Yale University and Missions.—This institution is making a fine record for evangelizing zeal. Within two years 18 students have entered the world field, and more than 30 are now in preparation for some form of missionary work. And the testimony is abundant concerning these men that the intellectual standard among them is much above the average. As is well known, Yale students are supporting in China several Yale men who are engaged in founding a college.

Negroes in the United States.—The number of negroes in the United States, including Alaska, Hawaii, and Porto Rico, was in 1900, 9,204,531—a larger number than is found in any other country outside of Africa. Of this number Porto Rico had 293,742, and Alaska had 293,742.

Three-tenths of the entire negro population of this country are living in three adjoining States of Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi. These, with the adjacent States of Virginia, North Carolina, Louisiana, and Texas, are the only States having each over half a million negroes in 1900. Taken together, these 8 States contain seven-tenths of all the negroes in the country.—Missionary Review.
THE WORK OF THE WOMEN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

BY MISS CLEMENTINA BUTLER
Secretary of the Central Committee on the United Study of Missions

THE ACTIVITIES OF WOMEN'S SOCIETIES

THE principal point to be noted of the effect on the home Church of this organization of its women is that its membership is called together usually once a month, sometimes once a fortnight, for the specific purpose of considering the world-wide Kingdom of Christ and of praying for its advancement. Timid women, whose voices are never heard in audible prayer in any other service of the Church, here learn the strengthening power of such exercise upon their own lives. Selfish, narrow views of Christian privilege must fall before the thought that God has made of one blood all nations of the earth, and that "other sheep I have which are not of this fold. Them also I must bring." We come closer to Christian union in the joint service of our missionary societies than in any other way.

Small indeed were the beginnings of some of these societies, and scant was the welcome they received in some cases, even from the pastors of churches. There was an unfounded fear that the new work would lessen the regular contribution. Now that they can look back on a record of thirty years, few would venture to question the benefit upon the home church of these organizations, which put responsibility upon the women whose leisure was, perhaps, in the past far less profitably spent, and, therefore, so much power of the Christian Church wasted for lack of the sense of responsibility which official position in these societies conferred. Take, for instance, one of these Boards. Only eight women gathered, upon a stormy day in August, 1869, to organize a society which has raised since that date over seven millions of dollars for foreign mission work, and is now bringing in over half a million a year (besides a large amount given by the women of the same Church for domestic mission work, and is now bringing in over half a million a year (besides a large amount given by the women of the same Church for domestic missions). The plan of this society has been to gather by the modest weekly pledge of "two cents a week and a prayer," the enthusiasm being kept up by monthly or semi-monthly meetings, these supervised by a staff of workers in each district of the Church. The central organization, meeting once a year, receives a report of all these local officers, and apportions the amount raised, and, while gracefully submitting its estimates to the parent Board of the Church, still administers its own funds to the last detail. The societies vary in this respect. Some pay the money to the General Board of their Church, to be administered for them. Some submit their missionary candidates to the General Board, but a study of the question seems to prove that the greater the responsibility placed upon the women themselves the greater is the amount of work accomplished.

On the foreign field the education of the little children, the girls, and the women is very largely in the hands of the agents of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies. The kindergarten is coming to be an effective branch of such work, but of all departments probably the medical has been the greatest means for the breaking down of the prejudice against Christianity.

Again, it was the Woman's Missionary Societies which realized first the need of providing suitable literature for the women who were being taught in zenana homes and for the children in their schools.—Missionary Review.

TREASURER'S REPORT

From May 15, to June 15, 1905.

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand May 15, $1 71
Cash, fees and contributions, 257 89
Subscriptions, 14 12
Sales, 3 61
Total receipts, $277 33

EXPENDITURES

Printing All Nation's Monthly for May and June, $31 50
Printing cards, 23 00
Postal Orders for India, 2 80
Badges, 12 00
Cuts for All Nation's Monthly, 12 55
Postage on All Nations Monthly, 35
Part payment printing souvenir number of All Nations Monthly, for July, 50
Telephone, 35
Postage and stationery, 28 60
Business Manager one month salary, 25 00
Bookkeeper and office clerk, five weeks' salary, 35 00
Express, 45
Total expenditure, $241 05
Balance in treasury, 36 28

Lena N. Bradford, Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

From June 15, to July 15, 1905.

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, $3 28
Cash, fees and contributions, 400 54
Subscriptions, 11 77
Sales, 3 89
Total receipts, $452 48

EXPENDITURES

Sent to India toward regular expenses, $117 00
Sent to India toward orphanage, two months, 218 00
Business manager, one month salary, 25 00
Traveling expenses, 2 50
Bookkeeper and office clerk, 28 00
Paid Miss Spence two months' salary, 25 00
Paid Miss Spence, traveling expenses, 25 00
Paid for wraps for All Nations Monthly, 3 00
Paid for mailing All Nations Monthly, 1 27
Paid for furnishings in Headquarters at Alton Bay, 1 91
Paid for telephone, 80
Paid for postage stamps, 3 30
Paid for freight on wraps, 33
Express, 91
Total expenditure, $452 57
Balance in treasury, 51

Lena N. Bradford, Treasurer.

The London Mission Society closes with a deficit of over seventeen thousand pounds and the Church Missionary Society with a deficit of over forty-five thousand pounds.


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**A FAMILY THANK-OFFERING BOX**

Jill and I wanted our thank offering to be bigger than usual this year. We had talked it over with Aunt Mary, but no plan just suited us. But we got it at last, and the way it came about was this:

I was listening while mother read a story to Aunt Mary. It was about an old lady who said she hadn't one thing in the world to be thankful for. A young lady wanted to keep a mite box on her mantel and promise to drop in a penny, at least, for every time she said she was thankful. She told the girl that if the brother had to depend on her mite box for help, they'd all go to the bad. And then, without thinking, she said, "My! but I'm thankful I'm not a foreign missionary!" Of course her friend had the laugh on her right off, and made her put in her first penny then.

After mother and Aunt Mary got through laughing over it, I had a thought—sometimes I have one that's some good—and I said to mother: "May Jill and I start a family mite-box and see how much we can get before the mission band has its thank-offering?" and mother said yes, we might I suppose it was kind of mean, but we didn't tell father, for we wanted to surprise him. The evening of the very day we finished the box (for Jill and I made it and painted things on the outside; s) it was "a real ornament to society," mother said,) father had just asked the blessing and commenced to carve when he said: "I believe I never was so thankful for a happy home as I was tonight when I walked along with Mr. Dumps and realized how just I'd just greed to go home every night to the fault-finding wife and squabbling children!" Jill and I fairly flew out of the room and held the box right under his nose. Father was so surprised! But he said: "Well, here's a quarter for a starter, for a good-natured mamma and happy-go-lucky children are worth more than a penny!"

I can't begin to tell you all the ways we got pennies. Mother was thankful the sun came out on wash day, and there was enough round one night when we had unexpected company. Father put in lots of nickels and dimes instead of pennies, he did lots toward filling the box. There was a nickel when eleven chicks were hatched from twelve eggs; and another when Mr. Dumps remembered to return that good umbrella he borrowed; and ten cents when the stitch in his lack went off and didn't settle into lambago, and lots more things.

We children had to pay pennies quite often. I remember one was when the robins came again to build their nest in the big ash tree just outside our window, and another the morning the big squirrel came up the tree and tried to steal the eggs, but was fought off by the mother robin (That was very interesting and was really worth more than a penny, but neither Jill nor I had much money that particular day.) The biggest money we got in the box at all was the half-dollar mother put in when the doctor said Jill did not have diphtheria, for mother says she hasn't grace enough to bear any more contagious diseases. I mean mother hasn't, not Jill, for Jill is just a trump when she's sick and opens her mouth a lot wider for the doctor than I do.

Well, I'm not going to tell how much money we found when we opened the box, because some of you wouldn't believe it and that would hurt my feelings, so I'll just close by saying you would better try one in your family, and of course you'll believe your eyes when you open your own box.—The Mission Bayspring.

**WHAT SOME CHILDREN DID**

LAST year it was my very great privilege to become acquainted with a very dear young woman who had spent several years in China as a missionary, and had returned to this country for a few months. Just before her return back to that distant land she told a little incident that impressed me very much. While in this country she visited Philadelphia and in that city became acquainted with a band of children, not those with pleasant homes or parents who could give them freely all that their little hearts might wish, but children of the slums! And I wonder if half of my little folks who enjoy so many pleasant things know what that means? I hardly think those with pleasant homes or parents who could give them freely all that their little hearts might wish, but children of the slums! And I wonder if half of my little folks who enjoy so many pleasant things know what that means? I hardly think those with pleasant homes or parents who could give them freely all that their little hearts might wish, but children of the slums! And I wonder if half of my little folks who enjoy so many pleasant things know what that means? I hardly think those with pleasant homes or parents who could give them freely all that their little hearts might wish, but children of the slums! And I wonder if half of my little folks who enjoy so many pleasant things know what that means? I hardly think those with pleasant homes or parents who could give them freely all that their little hearts might wish, but children of the slums! And I wonder if half of my little folks who enjoy so many pleasant things know what that means? I hardly think those with pleasant homes or parents who could give them freely all that their little hearts might wish.

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