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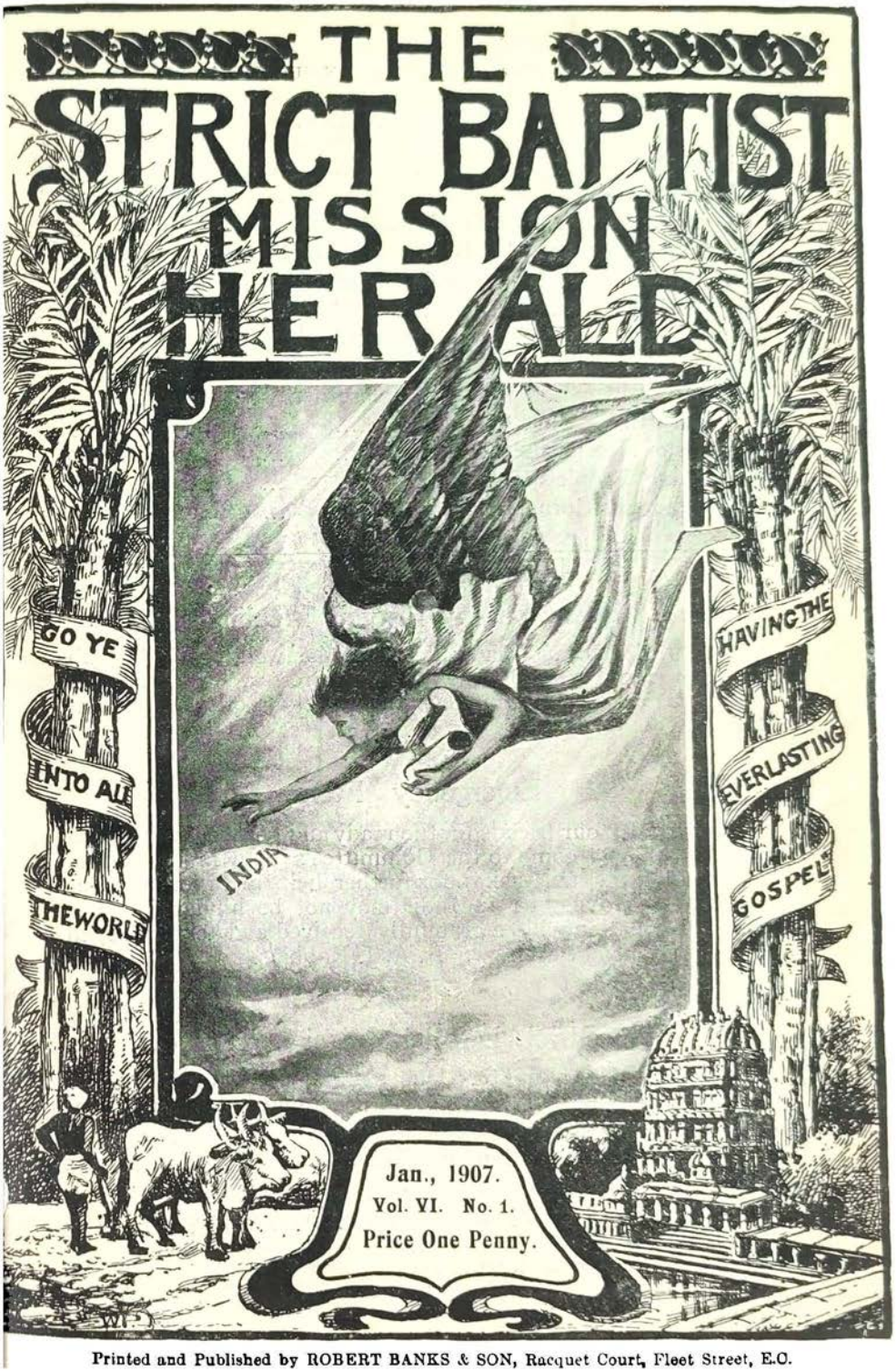
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New Year's Prayer Meeting

will be held (D.V.) at Chadwell St., Clerkenwell, on Friday, 4th January, 1907, at 7.30 p.m. Brief addresses. Will Pastors and Deacons kindly announce this Meeting on the previous Sunday.

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Emergency Fund.

WE THANK our friends for the ready and generous manner in which they have come to the Committee's help in this crisis, and we EARNESTLY APPEAL for further help in order that our FORWARD MOVEMENT in India may not be hindered. The smallest donation will be gratefully received and acknowledged by the Financial Secretary, Mr. A. J. Robbins.

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CURRENT NOTES.

WE enter the New Year through the gate of Praise. The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. Let us exalt His Name together.

New Year's greetings to all our friends and co-workers. May we seek and obtain fresh cleansing, greater consecration, more zeal and fuller blessing.

The HERALD appears in a somewhat altered form, which we trust may commend itself to our readers. Will each reader commend it to our Master in prayer?

We draw attention to the pages headed "Our Home Churches" and "Our Young People's Page," relying on the co-operation of our readers generally to make them interesting and helpful.

Especially we seek the co-operation of Parents, Superintendents and Teachers on behalf of the children, asking them to introduce "The Children's Corner" to the boys and girls and to awaken their interest in it.

We trust Mrs. Booth's appeal to our sisters to form Prayer Circles will be widely responded to. May we have the joy, this year, of learning that the heathen women she refers to have been brought to the feet of Jesus.

Our valued Secretary has a plan for holding a Pastors' Mission Conference in the near future, which he suggests on another page. We are sure such a Conference would result in great good; and we hope his suggestion will kindle the enthusiasm of our brethren.

"YOUR REQUESTS."

MUCH is being written about prayer in relation to Christian service—and not a whit too much. The privilege, the nature, the necessity, the power of prayer cannot be too greatly insisted upon if we would, in the truest sense, be successful in our work for Christ. But we must not overlook the value of *definiteness*. "Let your *requests* be made known unto God." It is possible that we miss many blessings because we do not ask our liberal-handed Father for them in detail. Applying this to intercessory prayer for missionary work, let us enter the New Year with the sanctified determination to present specific and regular petitions concerning every part of our work. We shall in this way develop in some degree the great comprehensiveness of the petition taught us by our Lord—"Thy kingdom come."

We had written somewhat in this manner, when we received a letter from a friend at Forest Gate, enclosing a Cycle of Prayer, both so coincident with our purpose that we quote a sentence from one and append the other. Our friend says :—"Remembering the prayer pledge given by many friends at the Surrey Tabernacle, I have been thinking that we should find a Cycle of Intercessory Prayer very helpful (the Cycle to be changed every month). This would not hinder our prayers for the Mission generally, but we should pray more earnestly for the special need of the day." We are exceedingly glad of this encouraging evidence of increasing earnestness and definiteness in prayer, and commend the Cycle to our prayerful readers, at the same time thanking our friend.

"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving."

1	T	For all engaged in missionary work.
2	W	That we may realise the great opportunities of our work in India.
3	Th	That the Bank failure may be over-ruled to God's glory.
4	F	For Mrs. Booth and the Bible-women.
5	S	That the parents may be reached through the children.
6	S	For the children in the Sunday Schools.
7	M	That many lady missionaries may be sent to India.
8	T	For Mr. Brand in training at Livingstone College.
9	W	For the work in Madras.
10	Th	That the Home Committee may be guided by the Holy Spirit.
11	F	For our brother, Mr. Booth.
12	S	For the people of Ayanapuram Cheri.
13	S	For the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on all our workers.
14	M	Praise for past blessings and answers to prayer.
15	T	For the extension of our work.
16	W	That Markandan may be kept steadfast in the faith.
17	Th	That the Lord may use him in bringing others to Himself.
18	F	For more labourers.
19	S	Earnest intercession for the Church at Vepery.
20	S	That our missionaries may be directed to the new field.
21	M	For Mr. and Mrs. Morling, as they go forward to the new field.
22	T	For native helpers to be raised up for them.
23	W	For blessing on God's Word in the vernaculars.
24	Th	Earnest intercession for the women of India.
25	F	For the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.
26	S	Special prayer for all native helpers.
27	S	Special prayer for the School and Zenana workers.
28	M	For the Editor of our Magazine.
29	T	For all efforts now being made to extend the interest at home.
30	W	That the Lord's stewards may repair the loss.
31	Th	For Pastors in preaching missionary sermons.

ALICE APPLEGATE.

Our Foreign Field.

The Bank Failure.

AD news travels quickly, and most of our friends will have heard already of the financial disaster which has overtaken our Mission through the failure of its Madras Bankers—Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co.

Established more than a hundred years ago, Arbuthnot's have built up a reputation for uprightness and respectability second to none in Madras. They have enjoyed the confidence of every section of the public to an extent which has been phenomenal. No other Bank in Madras had so many philanthropic and missionary accounts, both official and personal. The British and Foreign Bible Society, The London Missionary Society, The Church Missionary Society, The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, The Christian Literature and Religious Tract Societies, The German Lutheran Mission, and others banked with Arbuthnot's, and all have lost more or less heavily. His Excellency the Govenor of Madras banked his private money with Arbuthnot's, who were also the Bankers of the Government of Travancore and many Indian nobles. This Bank was invariably chosen from among all others to act as Treasurers whenever any public charity was organized. Last year they were the Bankers of the fund raised in connection with the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales.

On Friday, October 19th (two days after my arrival in Madras), I received intimation from the Bank that the equivalent of £1,000 (our Building Fund) had been remitted from London and placed to our credit here. On the following day I went to the Bank and transacted some business. Everything then was perfectly normal. There was no sign of excitement or suspicion, no run on the Bank, no difficulty whatever in obtaining prompt payment of cheques presented. The Bank closed at the usual hour on that day, Saturday, October 20th, and has not been opened since.

The notice of Suspension of Payment, which was posted on the gates of the Bank in the early hours of Monday, October 22nd, came as an utter surprise which has simply staggered Madras. The distress occasioned by this failure is so great that H.E. the Governor of Madras has opened a public Relief Fund. There are schemes being formulated for the reconstruction of the Company, but there is absolutely no prospect of any immediate dividend.

It is with a sad and heavy heart that I tell all the dear friends who subscribed to the £1,000 Building Fund, and who rejoiced so heartily with me when it was completed, that through this terrible failure it has all gone. The loss of this £1,000, which was given with such sacrifice and joy, and gathered with such toil and prayer, is a continual sorrow to me. The burden of it comes upon me again and again as I realize that the Mission Chapel and Bungalow are still unfulfilled dreams, and our occupancy of a new Tamil field indefinitely postponed.

The news we have received through our very dear friend, Mr. Chisnall, regarding the reception of the fateful cablegram at the Annual Meeting has greatly cheered and strengthened our hearts. We thank God that those who so splendidly proved themselves our friends in the day of our prosperity have pledged themselves to stand by the Mission in the day of its adversity.

The Bank has failed us, but God has not. His ways *are* mysterious, but He never yet made a mistake—let us glorify Him in the fires of adversity and disappointment. In the darkest hour He *has* been with us in our trouble.

The command of our Lord still rings out in clear tones: "Go ye all into the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." The heathen around us here are still without God and without hope, needing the Gospel of the grace of God. The undying, inspiring motive of all true service comes to us with fresh power as we each realize anew that "He loved me, and gave Himself for me." "Foward! be our watchword."

Brother Morling and I have arranged a temporary division of our present work, by which he has the oversight of our Village Stations, and I retain charge of our City Stations.

ERNEST A. BOOTH.

[Mr. Booth writes to the Committee:—"*As far as possible, will you please convey through the members of the Committee to the Churches, our heartiest appreciation of their loving, and practical sympathy displayed under most trying and disappointing circumstances.*" Elsewhere he says:—"*It has put new heart into us.*—ED.]

Welcome to Mr. and Mrs. Booth.

NINETEEN months after bidding farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Booth, as they started for their furlough, did we have the pleasure of according them a joyful greeting on their return to the field. It was with grateful hearts to God for His unbounded care to us in India, and more especially for the prosperous visit and warm reception of our brother and sister at home, that we took and gave a hearty hand-shake.

The morning after their arrival, a VUNTHANOBASARA

MEETING was held at Vepery by our Agents, Members, and Congregations, and notwithstanding a monsoon downpour of rain, a good number came to welcome the newly-returned missionaries. Our Senior Agent, Preacher Soondram, conducted the meeting, and Evangelist Varatharajulu, on behalf of the Mission Workers, read and presented a Welcome Address. Many others took part in reading of Scripture, prayer, singing lyrics, putting on garlands, giving limes, etc. Mr. Booth, in reply, said what pleasure it gave him and Mrs. Booth to be in their midst again. He very much appreciated the kind sympathy expressed in the Address, and prayed they all might be enabled to surrender themselves wholly to the Lord and His service, and labour more abundantly for Him. The writer, in a brief address, said that mixed with our happiness that day there was also sorrow. Whereas we bade farewell last year to three, we could now extend a welcome to only two. Little Robert was left behind in England, and his parents had placed him in the hands of the Heavenly Parent. We must ever seek to strengthen them in this their grief, through earnest and sympathetic prayer. Specially composed lyrics were sung by trained children of the Choolai, Semencheri, and Vepery Schools, which, with the Benediction, brought these happy meetings to a close. Then followed the salaams and hand-shaking, which occupied no little time.

A well-prepared and very enjoyable service was afterwards held at Ayanapuram, when about 130 children of the schools in that place took part in the programme.

Mr. Booth showed his eagerness to be in harness again by preaching in Tamil the first Sunday after arrival. His address was listened to with good attention.

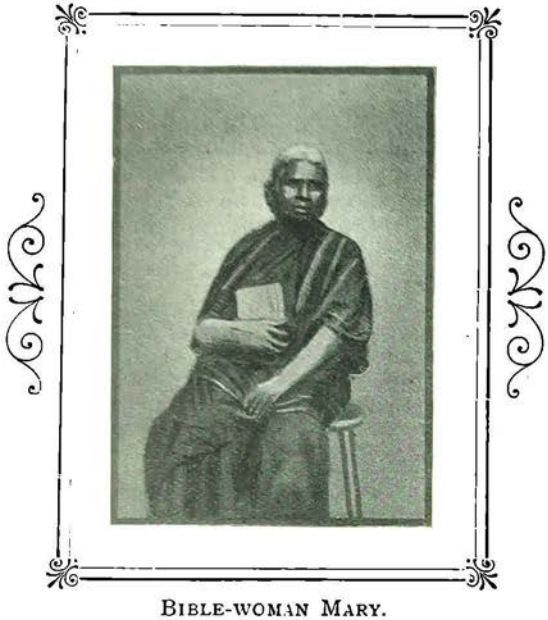
The next week or two were well occupied in visiting the various stations on the field. D. M.

"To be with Christ."

IT is with regret that we inform our friends of the sad, or rather happy, death of one of our best and most beloved Bible-women, Mary, the wife of Preacher Dyriam. She was of a very quiet and retiring disposition, loved by her fellow-workers and by the people in whose homes she visited, where her loving, modest demeanour carried weight as to the truth of the testimony she bore for her beloved Master, into Whose presence she has now entered.

She was taken ill some two months ago, and was conveyed to the hospital, where she seemed to somewhat recover. Although she was soon able to re-commence her work, a relapse came on a few weeks after, when it was thought advisable to take her away to some friends, with whom, however, she gradually grew worse. A few days later we received the news that she had fallen asleep in Jesus. It could truly be said of

her, as it was of a Mary of old, "She hath chosen the good part which shall not be taken away from her."



BIBLE-WOMAN MARY.

Her faith in the Saviour was trustful and firm, and she loved to extol Him before her heathen sisters. As the time of her departure drew near, her one desire was to read and speak of His goodness and mercy. She often asked those who were in attendance to sing some favourite hymn, after which she would express a wish to hear different portions of the Word read. The 100th, 91st, 23rd and 46th Psalms were a source of much consolation to her. Her husband, in referring to her end, says that as her spirit left its earthly abode, the precious words, "Oh Jesus, Master," fell from her lips. Though we mourn our loss, we rejoice in her gain, and pray that the Lord will raise up another godly woman to fill her place. R. MORLING.

[NOTICE.—Will friends kindly note that Mr. Booth's postal address is, Pursawalkam, Madras, India?]

"AWAY in foreign lands they wondered how
Their single word had power!
At home the Christians, two or three, had met
To pray an hour."

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—With a list of the Churches that have already appointed Zenana Secretaries, I am sending a letter received from Mrs. Booth. I am sure all our helpers will be pleased to read it, and I hope it may arouse interest in the minds of others.

Yours faithfully, N. SILVESTER.

ACTON TABERNACLE, Miss Elliott.
BASSETT STREET, Miss Fielder.
BRIGHTON, PRARTHANA SABHA, Mrs. Cozens.
CHADWELL STREET, Mrs. Silvester.
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HOMERTON ROW, Mrs. Brett.
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OLD BRENTFORD, Miss M. Fromow.
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Ditto, Penrose Street Sunday School Miss R. Staines.
TRING, Akeman Street, Miss E. M. Maull.
WALTHAMSTOW, Mrs. Booth.
WANDSWORTH, West Hill, Mrs. Baxter.

Pursawalkam High Road, Madras,
8th November, 1906.

MY DEAR MRS. SILVESTER,—Last week's Mail brought us an advance copy of our Annual Report, and I felt so thankful and pleased to read in it of the growth of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary. I do think you and Mrs. Hutchinson have nobly taken up this work, and I want you to know how much I appreciate it. I feel that real blessing is attending your efforts, which has come in answer to earnest work and fervent prayer.

But I am writing particularly to ask you if you will kindly send me a collecting box. I should like to feel I am helping, too, with my mite. I intended asking you for a box before I left England, but in the confusion of packing and other things I missed doing so. I shall like to feel every time I put my contribution in the box that so many other sisters are lovingly and *prayerfully* doing the same. Oh, if each one would but feel each week—"Here is another little penny and another little prayer" for the spread of Jesus' name in heathen India, and utter the prayer as *fervently* as she gave the penny *cheerfully*, how much blessing would attend the effort? We, women, must be a great *praying* force, as well as a good *giving* source, for blessing to be felt out here, and as God has put into every Christian woman's heart both the *praying* and the *giving* desire which comes from looking up and looking around, I do not see why our Ladies' Auxiliary should not be a success.

We have now been three weeks in India, and have taken up

the work again. Our return has been rather different to what we anticipated. We set out from England so full of hopes and plans for the extension of the work, and within five days of our arrival those hopes have been crushed. But God has given us strength to take up the disappointment, and try to serve Him more earnestly because the day is dark and the circumstances trying. Surely we can, and ought, to glorify Him best in the dark days, for can we not trust Him more in the darkness than we do in the light? . . .

I have paid some visits to the Hindu homes this week, and received a hearty welcome in the houses. To-morrow I hope to accompany Arseervatham on her visits. She, you will remember, came out from heathendom herself, and was baptised not long before we left India, and then took her training as Bible-woman. She is now working among the heathen women. I feel the testimony she can give must be very powerful, for she had to bear much trouble when Jesus called her out from her people; but He kept her strong and true. . . .

WINIFRED BOOTH.



"BIBLE-WOMAN ARSEERVATHAM VISITING HINDU HOMES."

In another letter Mrs. Booth says:—"I was out with one of our Bible-women yesterday. It seemed but the day before that I had bidden goodbye to those Hindu women, and that I had so earnestly prayed that at least one might come to know Jesus, because I had told them of Him for five years. And *not one* has come. Pray for me that the Lord may use me. This has been such an earnest longing in my heart. I seem to realise more and more how little *I* can do and how much He can. . . . *How it would help the work here if the members of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary would form Prayer Circles to pray for the ingathering of souls in India!*"

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive notices of forthcoming Missionary Services, Lectures, and Meetings, and also brief Reports for publication.

A Mission Conference of Pastors. — MY DEAR MR. EDITOR,—I have for some time past been hoping that we might arrange for a Conference of Pastors; and the very many encouraging and truly sympathetic letters received in reference to this sad Bank failure have led me to write you upon the subject, just to put the matter in circulation, and to ask for suggestions from any of our brethren. What I thought might be possible was to hold such a Conference immediately after our Half-Yearly or Annual Meeting. If country pastors could arrange to stay in London for a day or two, and if a few of our London friends could see their way to arrange to accommodate them for one or two nights, much helpful work might be discussed, not only for the benefit of the Society, but of the Denomination in general. I shall be most pleased to receive any suggestions either from pastors, deacons, or friends; and if these reach me *early* in January, we could speak more definitely in the February issue of our Magazine. Thanking you and them in anticipation,

I am, yours very truly, W. CHISNALL.

35, Farnham Road, Guildford, 8th Dec., 1906.

The Christmas Boxes for India.—MY DEAR CHRISTIAN FRIENDS,—Our dear Secretary has offered me the privilege of thanking you through the medium of the HERALD for your acceptable gifts to the Christmas Boxes for India. As the various gifts arrived here a safe place was found for them in the five large cases which were to convey them to our little brothers and sisters in the dark country across the seas. We can hardly imagine the joy with which the pretty garments, interesting books, and amusing toys will be received by the dear children, who have so little to brighten their sad lives. I know that we are all uniting in earnest prayer that these tokens of love may be the means, in God's hands, of drawing these little people under the sound of the Gospel, that they may learn to know and love our dear Lord Jesus, and to trust in Him for salvation. The following is a list of the various donors.

Yours sincerely in Him, L. A. HARRIS.

12, Marlborough Hill, N.W., December 8th, 1906.

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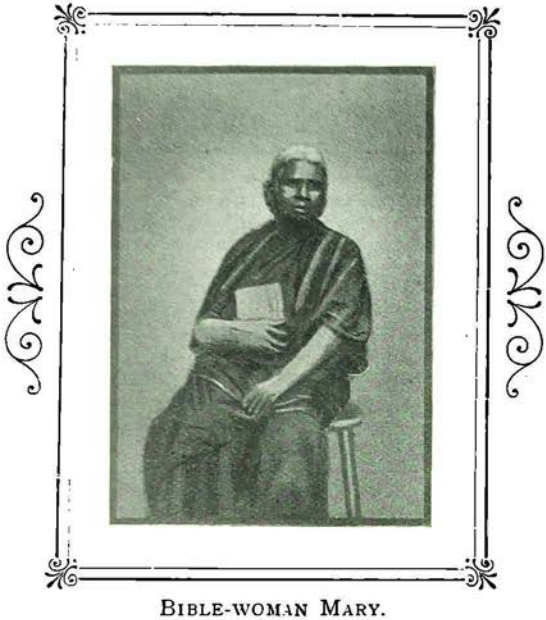
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[NOTICE.—Will friends kindly note that Mr. Booth's postal address is, Pursawalkam, Madras, India?]

"AWAY in foreign lands they wondered how
Their single word had power!
At home the Christians, two or three, had met
To pray an hour."

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—With a list of the Churches that have already appointed Zenana Secretaries, I am sending a letter received from Mrs. Booth. I am sure all our helpers will be pleased to read it, and I hope it may arouse interest in the minds of others.

Yours faithfully, N. SILVESTER.

ACTON TABERNACLE, Miss Elliott.
BASSETT STREET, Miss Fielder.
BRIGHTON, PRARTHANA SABHA, Mrs. Cozens.
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Pursawalkam High Road, Madras,
8th November, 1906.

MY DEAR MRS. SILVESTER,—Last week's Mail brought us an advance copy of our Annual Report, and I felt so thankful and pleased to read in it of the growth of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary. I do think you and Mrs. Hutchinson have nobly taken up this work, and I want you to know how much I appreciate it. I feel that real blessing is attending your efforts, which has come in answer to earnest work and fervent prayer.

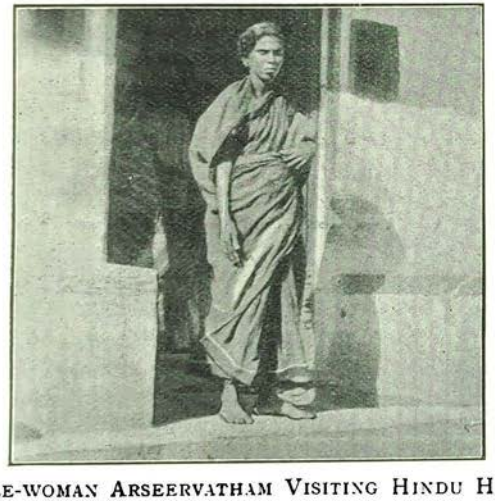
But I am writing particularly to ask you if you will kindly send me a collecting box. I should like to feel I am helping, too, with my mite. I intended asking you for a box before I left England, but in the confusion of packing and other things I missed doing so. I shall like to feel every time I put my contribution in the box that so many other sisters are lovingly and *prayerfully* doing the same. Oh, if each one would but feel each week—"Here is another little penny and another little prayer" for the spread of Jesus' name in heathen India, and utter the prayer as *fervently* as she gave the penny *cheerfully*, how much blessing would attend the effort? We, women, must be a great *praying* force, as well as a good *giving* source, for blessing to be felt out here, and as God has put into every Christian woman's heart both the *praying* and the *giving* desire which comes from looking up and looking around, I do not see why our Ladies' Auxiliary should not be a success.

We have now been three weeks in India, and have taken up

the work again. Our return has been rather different to what we anticipated. We set out from England so full of hopes and plans for the extension of the work, and within five days of our arrival those hopes have been crushed. But God has given us strength to take up the disappointment, and try to serve Him more earnestly because the day is dark and the circumstances trying. Surely we can, and ought, to glorify Him best in the dark days, for can we not trust Him more in the darkness than we do in the light? . . .

I have paid some visits to the Hindu homes this week, and received a hearty welcome in the houses. To-morrow I hope to accompany Arseervatham on her visits. She, you will remember, came out from heathendom herself, and was baptised not long before we left India, and then took her training as Bible-woman. She is now working among the heathen women. I feel the testimony she can give must be very powerful, for she had to bear much trouble when Jesus called her out from her people; but He kept her strong and true. . . .

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"BIBLE-WOMAN ARSEERVATHAM VISITING HINDU HOMES."

In another letter Mrs. Booth says:—"I was out with one of our Bible-women yesterday. It seemed but the day before that I had bidden goodbye to those Hindu women, and that I had so earnestly prayed that at least one might come to know Jesus, because I had told them of Him for five years. And *not one* has come. Pray for me that the Lord may use me. This has been such an earnest longing in my heart. I seem to realise more and more how little *I* can do and how much He can. . . . *How it would help the work here if the members of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary would form Prayer Circles to pray for the ingathering of souls in India!*"

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive notices of forthcoming Missionary Services, Lectures, and Meetings, and also brief Reports for publication.

A Mission Conference of Pastors. — MY DEAR MR. EDITOR,—I have for some time past been hoping that we might arrange for a Conference of Pastors; and the very many encouraging and truly sympathetic letters received in reference to this sad Bank failure have led me to write you upon the subject, just to put the matter in circulation, and to ask for suggestions from any of our brethren. What I thought might be possible was to hold such a Conference immediately after our Half-Yearly or Annual Meeting. If country pastors could arrange to stay in London for a day or two, and if a few of our London friends could see their way to arrange to accommodate them for one or two nights, much helpful work might be discussed, not only for the benefit of the Society, but of the Denomination in general. I shall be most pleased to receive any suggestions either from pastors, deacons, or friends; and if these reach me *early* in January, we could speak more definitely in the February issue of our Magazine. Thanking you and them in anticipation,

I am, yours very truly, W. CHISNALL.

35, Farnham Road, Guildford, 8th Dec., 1906.

The Christmas Boxes for India.—MY DEAR CHRISTIAN FRIENDS,—Our dear Secretary has offered me the privilege of thanking you through the medium of the HERALD for your acceptable gifts to the Christmas Boxes for India. As the various gifts arrived here a safe place was found for them in the five large cases which were to convey them to our little brothers and sisters in the dark country across the seas. We can hardly imagine the joy with which the pretty garments, interesting books, and amusing toys will be received by the dear children, who have so little to brighten their sad lives. I know that we are all uniting in earnest prayer that these tokens of love may be the means, in God's hands, of drawing these little people under the sound of the Gospel, that they may learn to know and love our dear Lord Jesus, and to trust in Him for salvation. The following is a list of the various donors.

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But I think we might also *do* something, don't you? What do you think one dear boy who lives in Suffolk has done to help? He wrote a few weeks ago to Mr. Chisnall:—"My father tells me the Mission has lost all the money. My granny sent me this 2s. 6d. to get a cricket-bat; please accept it for the Mission. From your little friend." I was delighted to read this, and I hope Georgie is going to be one of my nephews.

If you can't do this, you could all buy the HERALD every month, and this would help the Mission more than you think. Only a halfpenny a month.

Next, it would help me if some of you would write and tell me that you want this Children's Corner. You may ask any question or make any suggestion you like, just as if you were writing to a "real live uncle." Give your age and the name of your Sunday School.

Then I want you to send me the best motto you can make of the letters S. B. M. Shall I give you an example? The initials suggest a prayer which I am sure *some* of you are using every day, and which I trust will soon be the prayer of many more—"Saviour Be Mine."

Let me have your letters not later than the 10th of January, addressed:—"Uncle John, c/o Pastor L. H. Colls, Framsden House, Western Road, Tring.

Your affectionate
UNCLE JOHN.

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	£	s.	d.
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Mr. James Webb ...	5	0	0
Friend (Mr. Booth) ...	50	0	0
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Anon. (Mr. Booth) ...	25	0	0
Mr. Geo. Monro ...	2	2	0
In Memoriam, I. H. M.	0	10	0
L. Ricketts, Balham...	1	0	0
Mr. Jas. Cooper ...	1	11	6
Mr. J. G. Priestley ...	0	10	0
Mr. J. B. Collin ...	10	0	0
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Gravesend, E. & G. O.	0	10	0
Mr. W. G. Lobjoit ...	1	1	0
Mr. G. Harris	2	2	0
Mr. H. Blackman ...	2	2	0
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Mrs. Kellett	1	0	0
Mr. Sturton	10	0	0
Mr. Jull	1	0	0
Watford Tabernacle...	40	0	0
Mr. H. W. Roberts ...	80	0	0
Marylebone, Mt. Zion	11	11	9
Shouldham Street ...	1	15	0
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Miss M. Grace Brand	0	5	0
Farnham, Park Lane	1	15	0
Misses Pafford ...	1	0	0
Mr. Pearson	0	10	0
Miss S. Schweitzer...	0	3	0
St. Albans, Bethel ...	2	12	8½
" " S.S.	0	6	6½
Lewisham, College Park S.S.	1	0	0
Carlton (Beds) ...	1	0	0
Cove (nr. Farnboro')	0	5	0
Staines...	1	10	9
Mr. Joshua McKee...	2	0	0
A Friend, per Miss K. Staines	0	10	0
Cheltenham, Providence...	2	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Colson	3	3	0
Mr. Aaron Wells ...	2	2	0
Master G. Harsant ...	0	2	6
Miss R. Dorbon ...	0	5	0
Mr. W. Ling	1	1	0
Miss Haskaley (card)	1	1	0
Chatham, Enon ...	0	14	6
"Cheer Up"	0	1	0
Mr. F. T. W. Bartlett	1	1	0
Halstead, Providence	1	13	6
Kingston-on-Thames, Providence... ...	2	5	0
Peckham, Heaton Road Y.P.B.C. ...	0	14	0
Mrs. Frances Roads	0	5	0
Newcastle-on-Tyne	1	18	7
Ponders End, Eden...	0	5	0
Miss Florrie Day ...	0	10	0
Clapham, Courland Grove	4	0	0
Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Caplin	2	0	0
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Mr. H. Watts	0	10	6
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Poynings, Zion, S. S....	0	15	2
Miss E. M. Watts ...	1	0	0
Miss Ash	0	13	6
Sandgate S. S....	0	12	6
Stoke Ash	2	16	0
Lillie Road S. S. ...	1	0	0
Conrland Grove S. S.	0	1	0
"M. B.," Bristol ...	0	10	0
Miss Sparks	0	10	0
Mr. Thos. Fearnley ...	1	0	0
Warboys	3	10	0
Per Mr. J. B. Howard	1	10	0
Mr. John James ...	0	5	0
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Miss Lydia Marsh (card)	0	11	6
Warboys, E. M. ...	0	10	0
Ipswich, Zoar S. S. ...	2	7	0
Miss A. Wright ...	1	13	11
Mr. Farrow	0	14	0
Mrs. Baldwin	0	4	3
Miss Roe	0	3	0
Miss E. Grayston ...	0	2	7
Cambridge, Eden Y.P.C.S.	1	0	0
Mrs. Jull (card) ...	2	4	6
Miss A. Haynes (card)	2	15	0
Miss Allen (box) ...	0	2	0½
Mr. Ansell (box) ...	0	10	0
Miss Day	0	3	0½
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Miss L. Derby... ...	0	2	4
Mr. Haddow	0	13	7
Mrs. Hunt	1	12	7
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Miss Amy Le Grip ...	0	3	0
Mrs. Oxberry	0	11	3
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Mr. Lochead	0	1	6
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The Committee are deeply grateful to God for having moved the hearts of their supporters to respond so readily and liberally to the Circular Appeal (the expense of which was kindly borne by our friend, Mr. Fowler). The Committee are themselves greatly encouraged, and have the joy of knowing that the hope of our Missionaries is being greatly revived.

A BRISTOL FRIEND.—We have safely received the half-plate Camera, with its various accessories, for which we express our grateful thanks to our kind friend.

NOTICES.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE will be held (D.V.) on Tuesday, Feb. 5th, at 7.30. Full particulars will be advertised in the February number. Subject: "God's blessing under adversity in the mission field." Will all our young men and women endeavour to keep the date clear and to be present?

A CONFERENCE OF PASTORS will, it is hoped, also be arranged for at an early date, on the lines of Mr. Chisnall's paper on page 9. Particulars next month.

LECTURES AND ADDRESSES.—The Committee will gladly arrange for these during the winter. Apply to the General Secretary.

THE ANNUAL REPORT may still be obtained, price 2d., on application to the General Secretary.

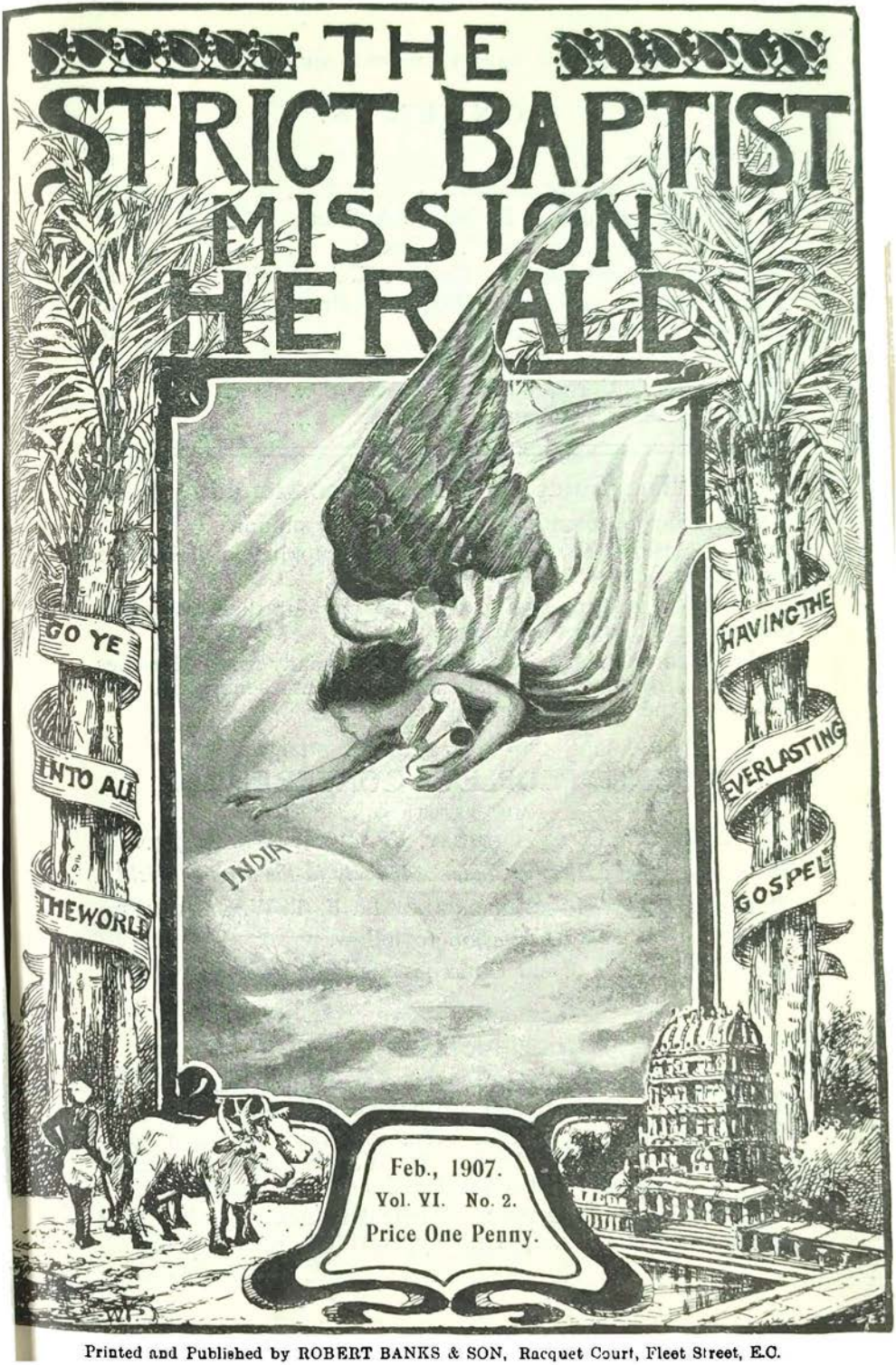
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YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE.

WILL BE HELD AT

BRENTFORD, ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH, AT 7.30.

Subject :—"*God's Blessing under Adversity in the Mission Field.*"

PAPERS BY MRS. HUTCHINSON AND MR. F. T. W. BARTLETT.

Discussion to follow.

The Young People of our Churches cordially invited to attend.

Notices.

AKEMAN STREET, TRING. Missionary Sunday, Lord's Day, January 29th. Collections for Emergency Fund.

AKEMAN STREET, TRING. Working Men's Christian Association. Lecture by Pastor J. W. Humphreys, Friday, February 1st, 7.30. Collection for Emergency Fund.

HALF-YEARLY MEETING. Particulars next month. Will our Churches kindly keep Tuesday, April 9th, open ?

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CURRENT NOTES.

WITH great regret we have to record the sudden departure of Mrs. Josiah Morling, on the 14th December last We express our warmest sympathy with our beloved brethren at High Wycombe and Madras.

On the other hand, we are glad to hear that a little son was born to our beloved missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Booth, on December 20. May our Heavenly Father's richest blessings abide with the dear parents and the precious child He has given them.

There is no definite news about Arbuthnot's Bank, but we understand that the revelations made at the Creditors' Meetings in Madras show that there is little hope of recovering much, if any, of our money.

The Emergency Fund makes steady progress. The amount reported at the Committee Meeting on the 4th January was £773 16s. We trust it will continue to grow, so that the purpose of the original Building Fund may not long be delayed.

We gratefully acknowledge the kind practical sympathy shown by Dr. G. H. Rouse, of the B.M.S. On hearing of the Bank disaster he sent Mr. Booth 50 rupees for our Society. Dr. Rouse is a veteran missionary of more than forty years' service in Bengal, and translator of the Bible into Bengali.

Our Foreign Field.

The Work of the Past Month.

IN his letter to the Committee of 5th December Mr. Booth says:—The average attendance of children in our City Schools is 250 daily. The Gospel message has been preached to about 3,000 people in the streets and to nearly the same number of women in their homes. Our Chapel services have been held regularly and have been fairly attended. Of course there is room for improvement, and we are going in for it.

Our missionaries have held their first Conference in accordance with the instructions of the Committee. "Grateful satisfaction was fervently expressed as to the splendid way in which our home friends had taken the severe financial reverse occasioned by the failure of the Mission's bankers. The special business of the session was the question of the new Tamil field. Various statistics were presented, and it was unanimously agreed that local correspondence on this question should be commenced immediately."

The following personal note from Mr. Booth will also be welcomed:—"I feel I must tell you that in the darkest hour of this terrible experience God has not failed us. Whenever we have turned to Him for strength to endure or comfort to sustain, His mercy has been unfailing. Each day we have had strength enough to do the day's work."

In reply to the Committee's offer to bear the personal losses of our Missionaries, Mr. Booth, while thanking the Committee with great warmth, feels that the Mission loss is so great and the completion of the schemes for which the £1,000 was raised so necessary, that he cannot accept money which has been given with so much self-denial. Personal gifts which some friends have kindly made for his private use, he, of course, regards in a different light, and has accepted with sincere gratitude.

The Christmas Boxes.

FIVE well-made and well-filled cases arrived safely a few days before Christmas. These contained the gifts of our dear home friends for our mission Agents and School children.

Mr. and Mrs. Morling came over to our house, and we were all soon at work sorting and counting the contents. Whilst so

engaged we came across many a familiar name which at once brought to mind a Chapel or Sunday School in the homeland. In several instances we recognised the handwriting on the labels as that of dear friends personally known to us. We were greatly cheered to find that some who only recently became acquainted with the Strict Baptist Mission contributed to the Boxes.

It is so gratifying to be able to report that, although fresh hands packed the Boxes this year, everything arrived in good order. Nearly all the articles sent were of a suitable character.

Having made up a parcel for each of our Preachers, Zenana Workers, and Teachers, we arranged for the children of each school to be brought at an appointed time.

As our City schools participate in a Christmas Feast provided by a local charity, the children of our village schools were the first to receive gifts from the Boxes.

I do wish that all who contributed to the Boxes could have seen the beaming faces of these children as they received dolls and tops and garments, &c. This in itself would have been ample reward. Altogether the gifts were divided between 640 children, and they each and all went away delighted.

In their name I wish to thank very heartily indeed each and everyone who contributed anything to the Christmas Boxes, and to assure such that love's labour has not been lost. Will those friends who acted as local secretaries and organizers, and who gave so much time and thought to this matter, please accept our warmest thanks for their co-operation?

Some of our friends whilst sending Christmas gifts to the children also enclosed a helpful gift-book for one or other of the missionaries. We each wish to thank such friends very heartily for their thoughtful kindness, and to assure them of our individual appreciation. E. A. B.

Tried, but True.

THE name of Authelutchmi is familiar to our readers, and many of them have prayed for this dear girl, who longs to publicly confess her love to the Saviour, but is prevented from doing so by her heathen parents.

Some two or three years ago, while a scholar in our Semmencheri School learning her Scripture lessons, Jesus drew her to Himself, and since then she has had a burning desire to openly declare herself a Christian. Her parents, when she told them of this desire, removed her from our School and our influence, and sent her away to a distant relative's house, and there tried to arrange a marriage for her with a heathen man. But Authelutchmi, strong in her love for her Saviour, and firmly believing that He would help her, persistently refused this union, stating as her reason that she loved the Lord Jesus, and therefore could not marry a heathen.

After months of vain persuasion she was allowed to return to

her home, and when we first visited our Semmencheri School on our return from England, our eyes were gladdened by the sight of Authelutchmi's smiling face. A few days later she came to our bungalow to see us, and with a quiet dignity told us of some of the experiences she had gone through since she left us. When we asked particulars of the bridegroom her parents had chosen for her, she drew her slender figure up to its full height, and with flashing eyes said, "I will *never* marry a heathen man."

Then she softly told us of how day by day (in that little mud hut which she calls home, right in the midst of her heathen people) she prays to her Lord. And of how, too, every day she tells her little sister of Him and His wonderful love, and gathers strength herself from what she reads of Him in her precious Bible.

In answer to her prayers her father's opposition is now not so strong, but her mother is still bitterly opposed to her being baptised. She is not permitted to attend our services or prayer meetings, but, as no objection is now made to our Sunday School, she steals in there each Sunday, and finds happiness in learning more of Jesus. And oh! how it rejoiced our hearts to hear her say, "*Someday, somehow*, before I die, I *will* be baptised."

How many of those who have been brought up in Christian homes, under Christian influence, have the love and the courage of Authelutchmi? God is keeping her strong and faithful. Oh! friends, pray for this dear young disciple that the barriers may soon be broken down, and that through her gentle influence in that heathen home others may be led to the Saviour she loves.

WINIFRED BOOTH.

Hindu Hearts and Homes.

AS we stand in the midst of heathenism, with the Bible in our hands and the love of Jesus in our hearts, we wonder what we can do. But what can *He* do? The thought nerves us; we feel fresh courage, and hope, and zeal tingling through every vein, and we realise that we "can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth us."

I walk down one caste street after another with a Bible-woman, and it seems but a day since I last visited them. A wedding is taking place in one of the houses where we are wont to visit; one of our pupils is about to leave us for her husband's home in another part of the city. In ordinary circumstances we should not be able to see her, but this being my first visit after a long absence, I am graciously invited into the next house, and a seat is provided for me, while the bride's mother hurries off to fetch her daughter and her attendants, so that we may have a quiet talk, undisturbed by the presence of masculine guests.

The little bride of sixteen stands before me, holding a huge tinsel parrot in her arms. She wears a handsome silk cloth

with a wide gold border, and is profusely decked with yellow chrysanthemums and pearls. Around her are grouped her female relatives and friends, all giving her various instructions as to how she is to stand, and what she is to say.

We talk to them as best we can under these disturbing conditions, and tenderly remind the bride of all we have taught her, and ask her to take her Gospel portion with her to her new home. She is speechless, and stands with downcast eyes and stolid countenance, the correct deportment of an Eastern bride.

Then a little flutter takes place among the assembled women; several children arrive in breathless haste and inform us that "He is coming." The women rise to their feet and the bride shrinks behind a pillar.

Presently "*He*" (the bridegroom) arrives and takes his stand by the bride, and tries to impress us with his importance, but when he finds that we are not very susceptible his demeanour changes. He gives us a great deal of information as to his future prospects, and then with a swift prayer we lead him on to talk of his religion.

He tells us that, although he does not believe in educating women, "because they cannot judge between right and wrong," he is still grateful for the interest we have taken in his wife. He owns reluctantly that Christianity is a good religion, and half promises that he will not hinder his wife from reading her Gospel portion if she cares to do so.

And then a change passes over the man's face—"Madam," he says, "you are a Christian, and this is our wedding day; will you give us the benediction of the Almighty God?" I explain to him that I am no priest, and that God's blessing can only be given by God Himself. But I hope his future life will be happy, and that some day he may know the true God. He thanks me earnestly, and we bid the little bride good-bye and come away.

And now she has gone beyond our reach, but not beyond *His*. We have sown the seed in that heart, and watered it with many prayers. What will the harvest be? God knows. So we go from house to house, finding ourselves in varied scenes. Here a bridal party, there a crippled child dying in her mother's arms. Here a group of women too excited to see us because a Hindu priest has died in the opposite house, and the people are arriving in hundreds to worship his body; and there a lonely little lass, whose mother has just died of cholera, and who is awaiting the arrival of her elder sister.

For all of them we have the same message of Jesus and His love, but how it seems to meet their every need! How too, as we speak it, does it seem to strengthen our hearts and clear our vision. We see across the heathen blackness, written in letters of living fire—

"*Ask of Me, and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance.*"—WINIFRED BOOTH.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Progress.

WE understand that about 500 boxes have now been issued and we have recently been cheered by the news that already one or two boxes have been returned *full*. The sisterhood of our denomination have responded readily and warmly to the bitter but silent cry of India's womanhood. As soon as that cry was voiced to them, and a means suggested by which they might answer in a practical manner, they have done so. This gives cause for great encouragement and praise. But it is at the same time a clear call to more earnest and continuous prayer that a lady may very soon be led to offer herself for Zenana work in order that, while the money is being collected, she may be taking some medical training.

We are sure our sisters will be glad to know how their ready response in money, prayer *and work* is cheering the hearts of our missionaries. Mrs. Booth writes on the 4th December, 1906:—"Since returning to India I have found special joy in Zenana visiting, more perhaps than in all the previous years. The thought has occurred to me that it was in answer to prayers arising from the members of the L.Z.A. Oh may there be many souls gathered in among the Hindu women, because of the prayers of Christian women across the sea."

Mr. Booth writes on the same date in an equally characteristic manner:—"The L.Z.A. is just splendid. . . . We are gratified and delighted to hear of the growth and development of the L.Z.A., and especially of the prayer force it is and will yet become."

Prayer Circles.

"*How it would help the work here if the members of the L.Z.A. would form Prayer Circles to pray for the ingathering of souls in India.*"—MRS. E. A. BOOTH.

To the Secretaries of the L.Z.A.

MY DEAR SISTERS,—The need for constant intercessory prayer on behalf of our beloved Missionary Society is much upon our hearts. We know a little of the wonderful power of prayer, and it is our great longing that our dear sisters labouring abroad may be consciously upheld by the united, earnest and constant prayers of us who are at home. I feel sure that, as you read the above extract from one of Mrs. Booth's letters, you will agree

with me that we ought to see if we cannot arrange for "Prayer Circles" in our respective churches, as she suggests. We all long for the ingathering of precious souls; and what blessing has often been given in answer to united, believing, persistent prayer is known more or less to us all.

Perhaps the Secretaries of the L.Z.A. would devise a plan in their various churches by which Mrs. Booth's idea may be carried out. Or I shall be very glad to receive suggestions, and we can then perhaps arrange a common plan.

Yours in our Lord Jesus Christ,

R. J. HUTCHINSON.

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OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive notices of forthcoming Missionary Services, Lectures, and Meetings, and also brief Reports for publication.

Reports of Meetings.

Walthamstow, Maynard Road. Young Peoples' Missionary Society.—Monthly Meetings are held in connection with the above every third Tuesday. Our October meeting was presided over by Mr. J. M. Brand, and an address was given by our Pastor and President, Mr. E. Rose, upon the words—"Drawn unto death" (Prov. xxiv. 11), which he applied to Hinduism in its bearings upon the people, especially emphasizing their application to the child-life of India.

In November, our Pastor presided, and we were favoured with a very interesting address by Mr. S. Hutchinson, who spoke upon the missionary characteristics of the Church of Christ at home; the great need of the Gospel abroad, which was illustrated by diagrams; and the growth and influence of caste, and its terrible punishment of those who violate its rules. In closing, the speaker touched upon the financial loss of the Mission, which he considered was a test of the Society. A collection was taken.

From each of our meetings a letter is sent to our Missionaries, and we also have a special exhibit of Mission literature. C. H. BOOTH, *Secretary.*

Homerton Row.—Sunday, the 18th of Nov., 1906, was observed as Missionary Sunday, when the Pastor, Mr. E. W. Flegg, preached Missionary Sermons morning and evening, the texts being John xxi. 15, and 1 Sam. v. 4. Both sermons were most inspiring and of a truly missionary character. In the afternoon, Mr. J. M. Brand, Missionary-Elect, gave an interesting missionary address to the Sunday School. H. BAKER, *Church Secretary.*

Guildford, Old Baptist Chapel.— The Annual Collection for the Strict Baptist Mission was made on Sunday, Dec. 9th, 1906. The services were of a special character, and were made very interesting by the fact that at the morning service our new missionary, Mr. Jesse M. Brand, preached, taking for his text Isa. liii. 11, and bringing out with true

missionary spirit the truth that by the spiritual success of Foreign Missions Christ was seeing of the travail of His soul. The sermon was much enjoyed, and the collection was good.

At the afternoon service for the young, presided over by the Pastor of the Church, W. Chisnall, Mr. Brand gave a stirring address; and a young German fellow-student, Mr. Otto Danneberger, from Livingstone College spoke, and asked if he might take the children and friends' love back to his old Sunday School in Germany, to which all responded by standing up. The Pastor, W. Chisnall, preached in the evening from the words of Jesus, "I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice." The congregations all day were very good and the collections amounted to £11. Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Chadwell Street, Clerkenwell. New Year's Prayer Meeting, Jan. 4th, 1907.—The tenor of the petitions, rather than the number of worshippers, was the salient feature of the New Year's Prayer Meeting. Praise was conspicuous in the opening hymn, "Great God, we sing the mighty hand," in the 67th Psalm, read by Mr. Mitchell, in the prefatory remarks of the Chairman, Mr. Mutimer, and in the prayers of the brethren. The Chairman, linking faith with praise, said, "We have ground to ask Him for large things to-night," and called upon Brethren H. Brand, R. E. Sears, Sapey, C. D. Jeffs, Ridley, Fowler, Silvester, Secrett, and Chisnall. The spirit of prayer was very evident, and there was a wide range of petition. Blessing was sought upon our Committee, Officers, and Subscribers, upon our Missionaries at home and abroad—Zenana work being specifically mentioned—our native workers, the heathen, and upon all missionary enterprise. We prayed that our own hearts might be stirred, that we might not waver or go back, that our proposed extension of work might soon be a fact, that we might make a sanctified use of the blessing God had been giving us, that there might be an outpouring of the Holy Spirit and world-wide knowledge of God. As we review the spirit of the meeting and the terms of the prayers, we echo the prayer of one of the brethren that "this prayer-meeting may be an inspiration throughout the year."

One thought expressed in prayer is so true and important that it should be emphasised. The money which is lost, said one petitioner, "is still Thine. It was given to Thee, and we cannot think that it is lost to Thee." This is a vision of the Divine side of Christian giving, and it is profoundly consoling to remember that no offering made to our Lord in love and faith can ever be lost, in the truest sense of the word.

The meeting was addressed at intervals by our brethren O. S. Dolbey and J. E. Flegg. Mr. Dolbey spoke upon "The trial of your faith," happily identifying himself with the Mission in its trial by adding, "May I not say the trial of *our* faith?" After mentioning the three great lines of doctrinal faith, he showed the necessity of trial, and the certainty of the endurance of true faith, and then spoke of the manner in which God assays this heavenly gold. Our Lord seemed sometimes to delay the accomplishment of what we thought were His own designs, and tried our faith by His providential dispensations. But faith laughed at impossibilities, and said "It shall be done; the work shall go on; other moneys shall be gathered, and God's will done." The Lord Jesus had "appeared" for us, and our faith was "found unto praise and honour and glory" at His appearing.

Mr. Flegg spoke of the spirit of prayer as the most hopeful sign in connection with our work, quoting the words, "Brethren, pray for us." Judging from the fact that this request appeared several times in Paul's letters, prayer was an urgent necessity with him, and, if it were so with one who had all the spiritual advantages of an apostle, it must be so with

us. And if it were so with us at home, how much more necessary it must be for our brethren abroad, subject, as they were, to enervating physical and moral influences and lacking our spiritual advantages! "Therefore, brethren, pray for *them*," said Mr. Flegg, and developed the request by following the apostle's lead—Pray that a door of utterance may be given to them; that they may speak with boldness, and that the Word of God may have free course and be glorified. In this way we should become fellow-workers with our brethren abroad; and the more the work occupied our minds, and the more we prayed about it, the more closely should we feel linked with them.

May our prayers be abundantly answered, and the influence of our brethren's words abide with us who heard them, and extend to all who read this brief summary.

An Offer.

A friend writes as follows:—"If the buildings are started and erected soon, I will promise to give 100 Bibles (Tamil) for distribution. I think they cost 1/6 each in Madras." We thank Mr. Forrester for his welcome offer, and trust it may not be long before we are able to claim the fulfilment of his promise. Our prayer is "O send out Thy light and Thy truth." This distribution of "the great silent missionary" is practical prayer.

[*We regret an error in the list of donors in the January number. The number of donors at Akeman Street, Tring, was about 70 instead of 10.*—ED.]

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

VERY heartily do we thank Mr. Brand for his kind contribution to this page in last issue. Let him be assured of our prayers for him during his season of training at Livingstone College. Since reading our brother's inspiring letter we have come across the following noble utterances of Griffith John, in the splendid story of his fifty years' work in China. Preaching the annual sermon for the London Missionary Society, in 1872, he said:—"Mere theorists may fancy that the world is outgrowing the Bible; but I feel perfectly sure that as long as any practical missionary work remains to be done, the Grand Old Book, with its sublime revelations and glowing visions, will not cease to live and to give life. Very mistaken estimates are often formed, and missionaries are often bitterly disappointed with the failure of bright hopes of early days. The missionary, however, is able to persevere on account of his faith in God's Word and the bright future revealed therein. He knows that the work is God's work, that the plan is God's plan, that the time is God's appointed time, and that if there be danger it is God's Own Word and honour that are in danger. In view of the glorious future revealed in God's Word, his heart throbs with unutterable joy even in the darkest hour; and he cannot but believe, even in the midst of

reverses and disappointments many, that his work is a real work, and that success is a mere question of time."

Speaking to young men, Griffith John further said:—"I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without telling you young men who are preparing for the Ministry that I thank God most sincerely and devoutly that I am a missionary. I have never regretted the step I took many years ago in opposition to the strongly expressed wishes of my best friends, and if there is a sincere desire burning within my breast, it is that I may live and die in labouring and suffering for Christ among the heathen. Oh! it is a glorious work. I know no work like it—so real, so unselfish, so apostolic, so Christ-like. I know no work that brings Christ so near to the soul, that throws a man back so completely upon God, and that makes the grand old Gospel appear so real, so precious, so divine. I think of the unspeakable privilege and honour of having a share in a work which is destined to have such a glorious issue! Oh, young men, think of it; dwell upon it; and if you hear the voice of God bid you go, manfully take up your cross and go, and you will never cease to 'thank Christ Jesus our Lord' for counting you worthy to be missionaries."

Dear young people, if you possibly can, read "Griffith John, the Story of Fifty Years in China," by R. Wardlaw-Thompson.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—I am very pleased with the nice little letters and thoughtful mottoes I have received from some of you, and to know that you like the "Corner" and wish to be my nephews and nieces. I like the mottoes so much that I want you all to see them. Arthur Dann, of Guildford, writes, "Sinners, Believe Me"; Rhoda Hearsey, of Guildford, "Sinners, Behold Me"; Rosie A. Waters, of Salhouse, "Sin Bringeth Misery"; her sister, Ruth Louie Waters, "Saviour, Bless Me"; Peggie Large, of Lowestoft, "Shepherd, Bless Me"; and another little niece at Lowestoft, who has forgotten to sign her name, writes, "Saviour, Help Me." No doubt she meant "Saviour, Bless Me." My heart goes up to Jesus, dear boys and girls, that He may bless you indeed.

I should like to hear this month what you think is *the best missionary book* and *the best missionary report* that have ever been written.

Shall we have a little more talk about *doing?* I am sure those of you who love Jesus feel something like this—

"We children are willing,
But what can we do
To work for our Lord in His harvest?"

Perhaps you say, "I am too young to do anything." But that is a mistake. The first missionaries to the Eskimo found them very difficult to teach. Their hearts seemed to be as cold and hard as the ice among



S. B. M. SCHOOLBOYS LEARNING THE TAMIL A B C.

which they lived. But one day a new little baby-girl came into the home of one of the missionaries. You would think that *she* couldn't do anything, wouldn't you? But she did, although she couldn't talk, for, through her baby influence, the icy hearts of the Eskimo began to melt. As she grew older she sang hymns, and the poor Eskimo mothers wanted *their* little children to sing them too; and from that time the missionaries began to succeed. So *you* can't be too young to do something for Jesus.

The story is told of a little girl, in an out-of-the-way place, who was impressed by a missionary sermon. When she grew up she taught other young people about the needs of the heathen, and one of those young people grew up to live and labour and die for our dear Lord Jesus in Africa, and his name is known by all who love missionary work as Mackay of Uganda. So you, too, can be listening and learning in order to teach others when you are grown up; and if Jesus should not send you to the Mission field He may send others through you.

I was attending a Children's Service last summer, when the speaker told us of some boys in one of Dr. Barnardo's Homes who formed a Missionary Guild of thirty or forty members. A missionary from India had been announced to speak at one of their missionary meetings, and they were told that they might make a collection. Their pocket-money was from a halfpenny to twopence a week. When the meeting took place, but before the missionary spoke, the boys brought up their collection, and what do you think it was? Ten shillings. So you see what you can do with halfpennies and pennies.

But, after all, I want you to be missionaries *now!* You *can* be. "How?" By prayer. You can be intercessory missionaries and ask Jesus to bless those who are actually in foreign lands, and especially our own missionaries and their native helpers. Of course, when I say this, I am supposing that you really love Jesus and want others to love Him. If so, these words will express your desires—

"I long for the joy of that glorious time,
The fairest and brightest and best,
When the dear little children of every clime
Shall crowd to His arms and be blest."

Who will be a young prayer-missionary?

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

Prayer Cycle for February.

"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving."

1	F	Special prayer for the formation of Prayer Circles.
2	S	That the kingdom of Satan may suffer loss.
3	S	For a blessing to rest on the seed sown to-day.
4	M	For Mr. Brand in training at Livingstone College.
5	T	Earnest intercession for to-day's Conference.
6	W	Special prayer for the Bible-women.
7	Th	Earnest prayer for Mrs. Booth that she may be encouraged.
8	F	That closed doors may be opened.
9	S	For Mr. Booth, working in the city stations.
10	S	Praise for answers to prayer.
11	M	Special prayer for the Home Committee.
12	T	Earnest prayer for more lady missionaries.
13	W	For Mr. Morling in the village stations.
14	Th	For the children in the Semencheri Schools.
15	F	Special prayer for Mrs. Morling.
16	S	For "The Children's Corner" in the Magazine.
17	S	For all native helpers.
18	M	For a blessing to follow the circulation of the HERALD.
19	T	For the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.
20	W	For the General Secretary in arranging the Pastors' Conference.
21	Th	That the Conference may be the means of stimulating the
22	F	For the success of "Our Young People's Page." [Churches.
23	S	For the children of the Choolai Schools. [week.
24	S	That the presence of the Lord may be felt in the meetings of the
25	M	Earnest prayer for little "Bobbie" and his parents.
26	T	For Mrs. Morling in the village stations with native helpers.
27	W	That the English people in India may shine as lights.
28	Th	For Bible-woman Arseervatham visiting her heathen sisters.

ALICE APPLEGATE.

Grateful Thanks.

IT will be a joy and inspiration to our readers to note the wide-spread practical sympathy manifest in the contributions to our Emergency Fund. Our hearty thanks to readers of *The Christian* for their donation; also to other publications for kind and sympathetic references to our loss.

Subscriptions received from Dec. 11th, 1906, to Jan. 10th, 1907.

General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Chesham, Townfield	5	7	8
Tring, Akeman-street Senior Christian Endeavour Society	3	18	7
Ditto Jun. Christian Endeavour Society	0	7	11
Mr. E. Smith (box)...	0	2	6
Mr. W. J. Denmee(box)	0	5	0
Hounslow, Zoar—sup. collection	0	2	6½
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Booth...	2	10	0
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Mrs. Brown ...	0	2	0
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Miss Harrison ...	0	1	0
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Mrs. R. Pearson ...	0	2	0
Mr. J. Morling, per ...	0	15	0
Mrs. Wadsworth ...	0	2	6
Miss Dorcas Craddock (box)	1	0	0
Miss Broughton ...	0	5	0
Woolwich, Carmel Sunday School ...	1	0	0
Hounslow, Zoar S. S.	1	9	9½
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Mayford	0	10	0
British and Foreign Bible Soc. (grant)...	18	6	0
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Homerton Row ...	4	7	6
,, ,, S. S.	3	0	11
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,, G. G. C. ,, ...	0	1	10
,, R. W. ,, ...	0	1	3½
Mrs. Shipway ...	0	10	0

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Tollington Park, Zoar	1	8	6
Mr. H. Fowler... ...	1	14	4
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Bromley, College Slip	1	1	0
Brighton, Prarthana Sabha—			
Mr. Adams	0	19	0
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Friend	0	5	0
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Miss Nevard ...	0	1	6
Mr. and Mrs. Parkhurst	1	1	0
Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Piper	1	0	0
Miss Piper	0	7	0
Miss Rankin... ...	0	5	0
Mrs. Scarfe	0	1	0
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From Readers of *The Christian*	1	0	0
Wandsworth, West Hill—			
Thirteen Friends, 1/-	0	13	0
Mrs. Jarvis	5	0	0
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Bierton	4	6	0
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Beccles, Martyrs' Memorial Children's Entertainment ...	0	13	0
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Grantham, Castlegate Chapel	1	5	6
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Miss Hoddy	0	2	6
Mrs. Pardoe	0	5	0
G. R.	1	0	0
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Whittlesea	2	5	0

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„ J. H.	0	2	6
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Mr. E. Horwood ...	0	5	6
Miss Beall	0	1	2
Miss Ash	0	0	4
„ Ellicott	0	2	0
Cambridge, Eden ...	0	12	6
Royton, Bethesda ...	0	2	0
Hoxne	0	3	0
Wandsworth, West Hill	0	4	0
Bassett-street	0	2	6
Richmond, Salem ...	0	4	5
Glemsford	0	6	0
Stoke Ash	0	7	6
Mr. E. C. Bourne ...	0	1	6
Dacre Park	0	3	0
Rushden, Succoth ...	0	2	0
Grays	0	6	2
Wood Green, Park Ridings ...	0	2	6
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Kenninghall	0	2	0
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Mr. T. Green	0	2	0
Mr. E. C. Bourne ...	0	0	3
Grays	0	0	10
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Hounslow, Zoar ...	0	0	6
Manchester	0	6	0

"Zenana" Fund.

Clapham Junction, Providence Y.W.B.C.	0	5	3

NOTICES.

No particulars are forthcoming at present concerning the proposed PASTORS' CONFERENCE, but we hope to be in a position before long to give some definite information.

LECTURES AND ADDRESSES.—The Committee will gladly arrange for these during the winter. Apply to the General Secretary.

THE ANNUAL REPORT may still be obtained, price 2d., on application to the General Secretary.

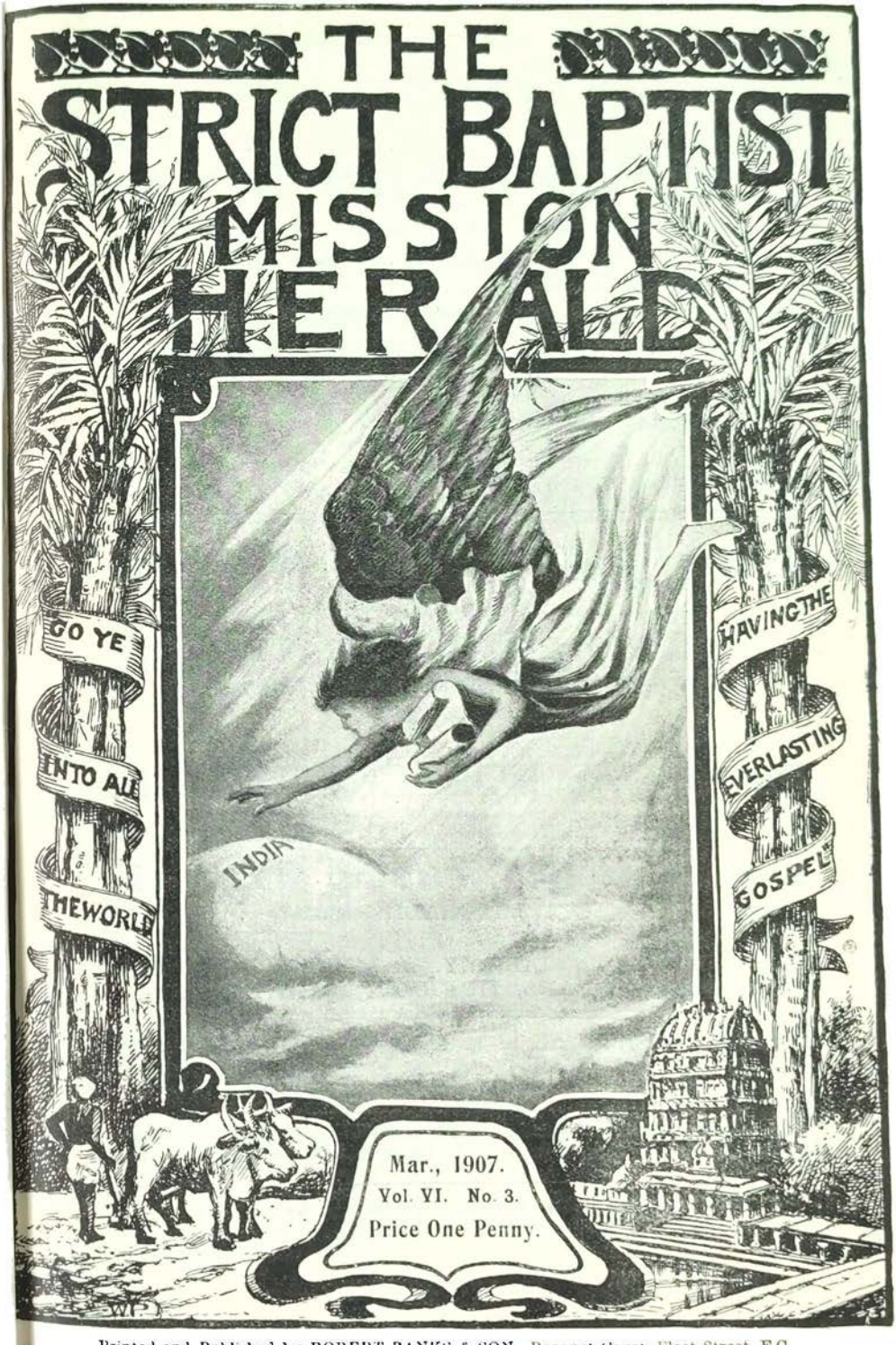
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ALL APPLICATIONS for LADIES' ZENANA AUXILIARY Collecting Boxes to be sent to Mrs. Silvester, 9, Gallia Road, Highbury, London, N., who will be glad to receive the names of ladies willing to act as ZENANA SECRETARIES.

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THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING

Will (D.V.) be held at

GURNEY ROAD, STRATFORD,

On TUESDAY, 9th APRIL, 1907.

AFTERNOON at 3.45,

Pastor O. S. DOLBEY will preach.

TEA at 5.30. - - - *Tickets SIXPENCE.*

Evening at 6.45, PUBLIC MEETING,

Pastor E. MITCHELL Presiding.

Speakers:

Messrs. MUTIMER, DOLBEY, J. M. BRAND, TOOKE, T. JONES, SEARS, MURRELL and STADDON.

A COMMITTEE MEETING of the LADIES' ZENANA AUXILIARY will be held immediately after Tea. All L. Z. A. Secretaries are on this Committee, and are earnestly invited to attend.

G.E.R. trains to Maryland Point. M.R. trains to Leytonstone, and thence by electric tram to Gurney Road. N.L. trains to Bow, and thence by tram to Stratford.

☞ We are expecting a Large Gathering of Friends, and Meetings full of Praise.

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CURRENT NOTES.

WITH grateful hearts we watch the steady progress of the Emergency Fund. The amount reported as actually received up to February 1st was £785 4s. 10d. In addition, anonymous sums of £100, £25 and £25 have been received; and there are unfulfilled promises amounting to £113 11s. We praise our Lord, and heartily thank each of our friends.

We are greatly encouraged by the news that a Strict Baptist Mission Auxiliary is being formed for Manchester and District. A preliminary meeting has already been held, and we hope soon to hear that the Auxiliary is in working order. Meanwhile, Mr. W. Chaplin, of the Rochdale Road Church, writes: "I feel that the Mission has come to stay."

The Bible-Spreading Union have kindly granted our Society £1 for Tamil Bibles, for which we warmly tender our thanks to the Union. The conditions of the grant are that the Bibles must be complete (*i.e.*, not portions), and must be given away. We believe our Missionaries would gladly comply with such conditions again!

We should like to keep our Missionaries supplied not only with Scriptures and portions, but also with Mrs. Grimke's Tamil Text Cards, which consist of short portions of Scripture, very convenient for distribution.

A Preliminary Conference of Pastors will be held at Soho on Friday afternoon, March 1st, at 3.30, to be followed by a social tea, to which Pastors are very heartily invited.

AN ENCOURAGING OUTLOOK.

HAVE we not reached a stage in connection with our Mission at which we may well pause "to count our blessings"? We have heard with no uncertain sound the Master's "Be of good cheer!" and it has filled our hearts with new courage.

Let our first look be an upward one to the Lord, who has so faithfully and signally answered prayer; and as we turn to Him our faces which He has lightened, we will also praise Him with our whole heart.

Then as we turn our thoughts in the direction of our missionaries, we have, indeed, cause to rejoice that they, and all our loving workers at home, have experienced the inspiring truth that "the very powers which are arrayed against Him are His gift, and the issues which they finally subserve are His appointment."

Shall we not also gratefully remember the beautiful Christ-like expression of loving sympathy and liberality we have witnessed on every hand since our Mission was plunged into the unexpected financial losses of last autumn? This is no cause for self-gratulation, but surely it will constrain us "to thank God, and take courage." How blessed to know that this has not simply been an outburst of love towards our well-tried workers in India, but chiefly a proof of deepened devotion to our Lord and His holy service! We have been greatly encouraged to press forward, knowing that "a present thus manifestly studded with indications of God's faithfulness will merge into a future still fuller of these."

Very deeply do we feel the urgent need of more earnest and continuous prayer than ever; and we are so glad to find that "Prayer Circles" are being formed by our lady friends. What abundant blessing may we confidently expect from these prayer groups! We should be delighted to hear soon that every Church had organised a Prayer Circle. The Divine supply of the sacred electric current of spiritual power is more than sufficient to thrill countless hearts and hands that shall thus unitedly take hold upon God at His throne.

Remembering these great things which the Lord has done for us, with what grand confidence may the weakest of us go to his task feeling that God works with us; that it is not we that speak, but the Spirit of our Father that speaks in us; that if, humbly and prayerfully, with self-distrust and resolute effort to crucify our own intrusive individuality, we wait for Him to enshrine Himself within us, strength will come to us, drawn from the deep fountains of God.

"THERE is no failure to an earnest man. A man cannot fail without his own consent. Every seeming failure is the seed of a coming success to earnest men."—*Quiet Talks on Service*, by Dr. S. D. Gordon.

Our Foreign Field.

Notes from our Missionaries.

MR. BOOTH writes on the 8th of January that, owing to the Christmas holidays, and also to *rain*, work was somewhat hindered during December.

From Mr. Morling we gather the following notes:

Preacher Dyriam is now transferred to the City, and another Agent, Preacher Doraiswamy, has taken his place at Sembarambakkam as Teacher-Catechist. Besides accompanying Varatharajulu every morning in preaching, he is starting a new School at his house in Sembarambakkam. The district is a growing one, being in close proximity to the immense workshops of the Madras Railway. The School is still further favourably situated, as it is surrounded by a caste village, a cheri, and a small Mohammedan settlement.

Mr. Morling asks us to bear this new work in mind as we make our petitions to God on behalf of the S.B.M. Schools. Our teachers have succeeded in bringing caste and non-caste children together in two more of our Schools.

At a rather late hour on Christmas eve a special meeting was held in the house of Tharamanathan, when he and Preacher Varatharajulu gave addresses to a good number of hearers on "Incarnation."

A few nights ago thieves attempted to cut a hole through the wall of our Arambakkam School-house, but they were frightened away by Shadrach, who was occupying the house.

Just too late for our February number we heard from Mr. Morling as to the Committee's offer to bear his personal loss. We now have the pleasure of adding to our note that he, too, has declined the offer, with hearty thanks, in the same spirit as his colleague.

The Madras Tamil Strict Baptist Chapel.

THE splendid spirit in which our dear friends at home have met the terrible financial reverse which has befallen the Mission has encouraged us to again place the above project in the forefront of our programme. As the only Baptists working among the Tamil people in Madras we surely ought to have our own place of worship. At the close of this year our agreement regarding the hall we now rent for Chapel and School purposes expires. I am very desirous that we shall

be able to move into our own premises. The building will be used for the purposes of Chapel, Sunday School, and Day School. A site such as will meet our requirements as to position and price cannot be easily obtained. I have started enquiries in various directions, and hope to meet with a suitable site within a reasonable time.

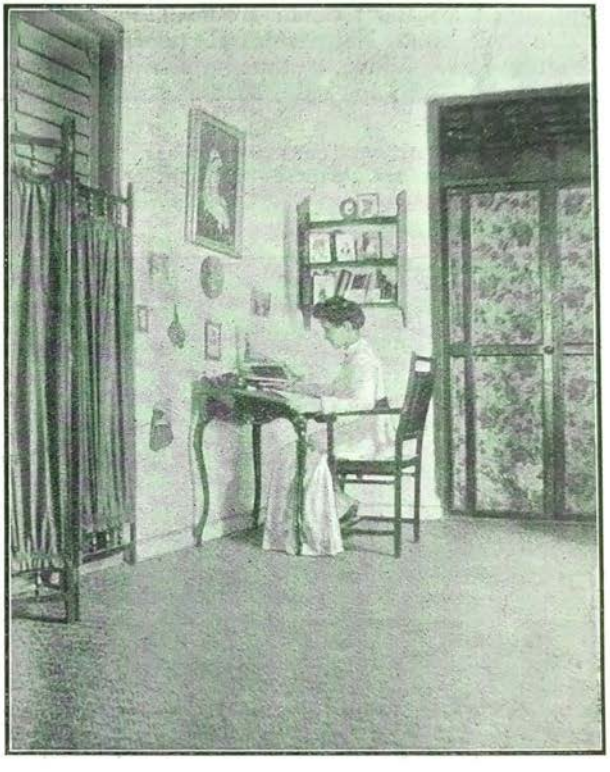
I recently preached in Tamil from the words, "The God of heaven, He will prosper us; therefore we, His servants, will arise and build" (Neh. ii. 20). On the following day I convened a meeting of all our city workers, and placed before them afresh the question of our new Tamil Chapel. A very hearty response was made. Each one in turn stood up and promised that during this year he would give each month a definite proportion of his salary towards this object. In nearly every case the proportion promised was one-sixteenth, *i.e.*, one anna in the rupee. Members of the Church and congregation have also promised regular subscriptions. I am, in addition, seeking donations from some of my friends here.

The result of this special effort may not be a very large amount of money, but it will be a genuine expression of personal interest in our work. The gifts will, I know, in many cases, entail sacrifice. It is by such efforts as these that the Indian Church will learn to appreciate and assume its own responsibilities.

E. A. BOOTH.

Only a Girl-Wife.

A FEW days ago, as I was wending my way through a crowded back-street, void of pavement, with rows of tiny bazaars on either side, whose owners were busy exhibiting their wares to passers-by, the sound of drums and tomtoms in the distance was distinctly heard. Presently a small procession was seen approaching, chiefly of women gaily attired in variously coloured cloths and wearing gaudy ornaments, in addition to which they were decorated with knots and garlands of sweet-scented flowers, as if to celebrate some glad or happy function. The players, who had ornamented themselves with fantastic caste marks, preceded an old, grey-headed man with bushy beard, wrinkled face, and cruel eyes, who carried a staff in his hand to support his feeble, tottering steps. Beside him walks a young, innocent-looking girl, over whose head not more than eight or nine summers have passed. "His daughter, or, rather, his granddaughter," I hear you say. Ah! would that it were so; in that case her lot might be an easy one. But their relation to each other is that of man and wife. Was there ever such a profanation of the sacred bond? Oh, friends, you little know what marriage means to the Hindu girl. There is no happy home in store for her; she does not go to her new "home" as queen of her husband's heart and mistress of his house, but rather as a slave to her mother-in-law, who



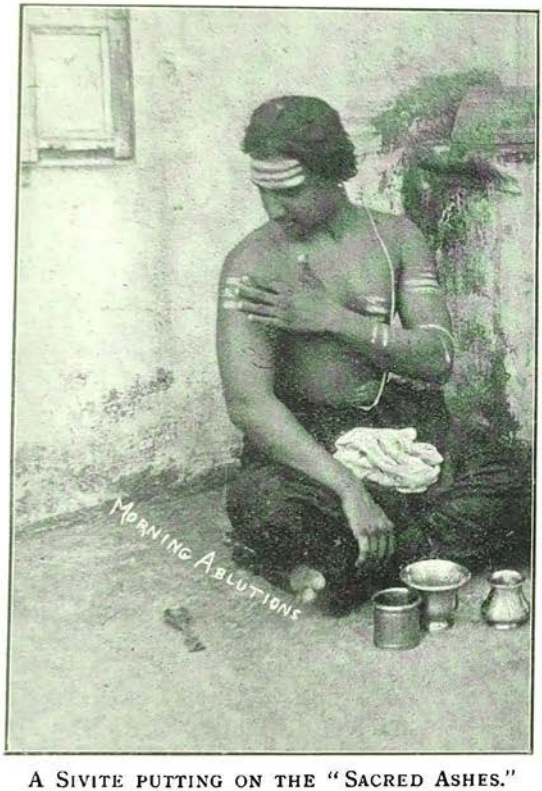
MRS. MORLING LEARNING TAMIL.

expects her to do the work of the house, and, if it is not done according to her views, subjects her to most cruel treatment. If she should become the mother of a son, perhaps things would be a little brighter for her; but woe betide her if she bring a wee daughter to her husband. You say, "Perhaps the death of her husband, which may be expected in the natural order of things to take place while she is very young, would be a glad release." But no, that would only make matters worse; she would be subject to even greater hardships. Her head must be shaved, her bright-coloured dresses and ornaments taken away, while she must live on one meal a day and toil hard. She is cast off by her people and despised by all whose path she happens to cross. One writer, in referring to the past terrible custom of Suttee which required a wife to ascend the funeral pyre of her husband and perish in the flames with his dead body, says, "The momentary agony of suffocation in the flames was nothing compared to her lot as a widow." And others have affirmed that, were the hand of the law once removed, many would be glad to return to the custom.

"God did not take woman from man's head, that she should rule over him. Neither did He take her from his feet, that she should be his slave, or that he should trample on her. But He took her from his side, that she should be his companion and helpmeet."

"Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
The saddest are these—'it might have been.'"

R. MORLING.



A SIVITE PUTTING ON THE "SACRED ASHES."

Special Request for Prayer.

AS the HERALD goes to press, we receive a special request for prayer from Mr. Booth as to the choice of our new Tamil field, which we are sure will be widely responded to. Without attempting to explain the difficulties, we may quote his words:—"This is a question of such supreme importance, and a mistake now may mean so much in future days, that I venture to ask for *special* prayer for guidance in this matter, that God will direct us to the field we can best occupy in His name."

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Growing Numbers.

WE welcome from Mrs. Silvester a further list of Zenana Secretaries, and the Churches they represent :—

CAMBRIDGE, EDEN, Miss Eldred.
FULHAM, EBENEZER, Miss McArthur.
LOWESTOFT, TONNING STREET, Miss W. Large.
PRITTLEWELL, Mrs. J. Fromow.
ST. ALBANS, BETHEL, Miss Gregory.
WEST HAM TABERNACLE, Mrs. C. H. Stockdale.

In the January number, "Chatham Road" should be read for "West Hill," Wandsworth, as the Church represented by Mrs. Baxter.

Increasing Interest and Activity.

Miss E. M. MAULL, Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary Secretary, of Akeman Street, Tring, writes :—

"I am very pleased to be able to give you a short account of the work we are doing in Tring in connection with the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

"Our members number twenty-three, and I think that they were all very pleased to have the boxes. I hope, however, that we shall not stop at these numbers, but that many more will be constrained to join us, and that this Society will become, as Mr. Booth says, a mighty 'prayer force.'

"I know you will be glad to hear that a Committee of the L.Z.A. branch in Tring has been formed, and that we have already commenced a Prayer Circle. We held our first meeting on Wednesday, February 6th, at the house of our president, Mrs. Colls, and, though few in number, we spent a very enjoyable hour. We commenced with prayer, followed by a hymn, and our President explained the object of the Society. Another hymn was then sung, and two of our friends engaged in prayer. This was followed by a Scripture reading and some more prayers, and then our President closed the meeting. It is suggested that we should meet for prayer every two months, and we hope to hold our next meeting on the third Wednesday in March, to be followed by another on the third Wednesday in May. Each member of our Prayer Circle pledges herself to pray daily for the Mission, and we have arranged a special subject for every week until our next meeting.

"I do trust that God will own and bless the efforts of the L.Z.A., and that we shall soon hear of many answers to our prayers, and of our Mission greatly prospering and extending its work, not only in India, but in other dark places of the earth where the glorious Gospel of Jesus Christ has never yet been heard."

Prayer for a Lady Missionary.

WE have just heard of a Church in which the young people have spontaneously asked their Pastor if they could not begin asking the Lord to raise up a lady missionary for our Zenana work. This was after his own heart, and they have already begun. This, we think, should be the chief burden of prayer, just now, in our Zenana Auxiliary and Prayer Circles.

Prayer Circles.

IT may meet the enquiries of some of our friends and helpers if we point out that the Prayer Circles suggested by Mrs. Booth are not synonymous with, although they include, prayer-meetings. The idea of a Circle is that those who join it *pledge* themselves to pray in private for the Mission, so that *continuous private* prayer is provided for as well as periodical prayer-meetings; and, also, that those who are unable to attend the meetings may, nevertheless, be included within its prayer-fellowship.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

Reports of Meetings.

Brentford, North Road.—Young Peoples' Conference.—The subject of discussion on the 5th February was "God's Blessing under Adversity in the Mission Field"; and there was an element of fitness in the Conference being held on the spot where the financial disaster of October last was announced. The meeting was opened with the appropriate and stimulating Scripture: "Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not." Mr. E. Mitchell, who presided, referred to the marvellous manner in which God had wrought in the hearts of His people during the last three months, and that without any deputation work or urgent appeal. The adversity had certainly been a blessing in disguise, for we were "a little stronger in faith," and the area in which our mission was known had expanded. He specially commended our village school work, which included two hours' Bible teaching every week-day, as the most hopeful feature of our work.

Mrs. Hutchinson's paper, which was read for her, showed that adversity was not only necessary to our spiritual life, but was part of our preparation for Christian service. Preparation for service in *heathen lands* would probably be severer in proportion to the more arduous nature of the work. The blows would be harder, but it was promised that the gates of hell should not prevail. Among the blessings resulting from disaster would be increased prayerfulness; careful scrutiny of our work; increased consciousness of its stern reality; and greater earnestness and courage. We could see signs of success even in the failure, for "the prince of this world thought the work worth attacking," and that "the time had come to show his power more openly, seeing that greater enthusiasm had been aroused and hearts were being stirred to prosecute the fight against his kingdom more vigorously."

In the much regretted absence, through illness, of Mr. F. T. W.

Bartlett, the second paper was by Mr. Marsh, who delivered a welcome message from our friend and brother, Mr. Jull, in whose wonderful recovery, after a severe operation, we all rejoice :—"Give my kind love to all at the Young Peoples' Conference. Tell them to work to send the Gospel to the heathen, for 'the night cometh when no man can work!'" Mr. Marsh reviewed the subject first in relation to the Lord of the Mission. Our Lord had manifested His absolute sovereignty; had shown that He would have His servants deal definitely with Himself by overturning many of our plans and purposes; and had more clearly manifested Himself in power, goodness, faithfulness, and lovingkindness. In relation to His people, personal impotence was made to lie at the feet of Omnipotence; vainglory was destroyed; experimental delight in Him fostered; complete surrender of the whole heart made; deceit discovered and self-sacrifice constrained. And in relation to the mission field itself, out of adversity grew its establishment, and attention was more forcibly drawn to the work itself.

In prompting the discussion which followed, Mr. Chisnall touched the right note in saying that he wanted these Young Peoples' Conferences to be opportunities for the expression of young peoples' thoughts.

Mr. A. G. Secrett, in referring to the first paper, said he thought perhaps there was Satanic agency in the failure of the Bank, and then showed that in all the adversity which attended the labours of "the greatest missionary the world has ever known," God's blessing could be seen.

Mr. J. M. Brand said that there was the same note in these papers as in those of a year ago, viz., personal devotion to Christ; and he illustrated our disaster by reference to the loss of 4,000 crowns which were sent out 200 years ago from Europe to Ziegenbalg and Plutschau in India. In spite of this disappointment "these two brave men kept on undisturbed and undiscouraged." Mr. Brand reiterated Mr. Booth's plea for regular missionary sermons by our Pastors and Ministers, and for missionary teaching in our Sunday Schools; and specially commended "Our Young Peoples' Page" in the magazine "as an open page and the most suitable medium for the ventilation of any suggestion or new idea in regard to mission work," expressing his hope that our young people would use it.

Mr. E. H. Sadler having asked for an explanation of a sentence in Mr. Marsh's paper and been satisfactorily answered, the meeting was brought to a close, and our hearts were fully satisfied that "behind a frowning providence," which so often seems to overcloud our work for Christ at home and abroad, "God hides a smiling face."

St. Albans, Bethel.—We are glad to note the activity of our friends here. Special services were held on Monday, 14th Jan., when our General Secretary, Mr. Chisnall, preached in the afternoon, and a public meeting was held in the evening, at which Mr. Chisnall exhibited various Indian curios, and several brethren spoke. The occasion was altogether a happy and enjoyable one, and the collections amounted to £4, which, with £2 15s. 7d., the contents of the collecting boxes, indicates growing interest and sympathy in our work.

Kings Langley.—On Sunday evening, Feb. 3rd, a missionary sermon was preached at Zion Chapel by Mr. H. Fowler. Taking for his text Luke ix. 33—35, the preacher based his remarks chiefly upon "clouds," and detailed the great cloud that has recently overshadowed the Society by the Bank failure. The hearts of the friends present were greatly cheered while brother Fowler was being helped by the Holy Spirit to show that these painful experiences eventually prove that the all-wise purposes of our God are being fulfilled for the benefit of His people and His own glory, while it remains for us to bless the hand

that had in love permitted or delivered the stroke. At the close of the service the doxology was sung with much heartiness, testifying to the thorough enjoyment of the meeting. J. BUTLER.

Notice.

Maynard Road, Walthamstow.—The Young People's Missionary Society will (D.V.) hold its next monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 26th, at 7.45 p.m. *Members' Evening.*—Missionary Solos, Dialogues, Recitations, and Anthems by special Missionary Choir. (Nearest station, Hoe Street, G.E.R.).

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,—I am writing to tell you how pleased I am you have arranged for a page in the HERALD for young people, and sincerely hope this may be the means of uniting us more and more. For the past two years it was my privilege to receive the shilling donations for the Building Fund. Usually accompanying these gifts were letters from the senders, which created a deep impression on me which I should be sorry to lose. It occurs to me that others would like to share this joy. Most of these letters were intensely spiritual. I only hope the young people will take up this page with as much zeal as they took up collecting for the Building Fund.

In reading dear Mrs. Booth's piece in the February HERALD, who was not touched with the pathetic account of Authelutchmi? I wonder how many of us would have the courage of that dear girl under similar circumstances? Supposing our parents, instead of encouraging and helping us in the right path, as most of them do, were to be bitter and discouraging. We cannot comprehend what our young sisters and brothers in heathen lands have to go through.

Shall we each ask ourselves "What can I do to help?" We cannot all go as missionaries, but we can all pray; and it has occurred to me that perhaps it would be possible for a prayer circle to be formed by young people. Some are prevented by ill-health and other causes from attending missionary prayer-meetings, but all could join in prayer for half-an-hour once a week at a given time most convenient to all, to pray definitely for the young people of India, beginning with Authelutchmi. I am sure Mrs. Booth would send us over, perhaps once a month, the names, and possibly photos, of those young people who need special prayer. This plan would not only draw Strict Baptist young people together, but also those of India as well, in Christian fraternity. Mr. and Mrs. Booth would tell our sisters and brothers in India our desire, and perhaps messages

could be interchanged between us. Could you, Mr. Editor, get to know the feeling of others in this matter through this page?

Again thanking you for providing the opportunity for us, as young people, to know each other better, praying that God's richest blessing may rest upon all your efforts,

I am, yours very sincerely,

February 6th, 1907. GWENDOLINE CHISNALL.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—I have been looking forward to our meeting again in this Corner all the month. Have you? And now I have the pleasure of welcoming two more nieces. I am so glad to have their letters—nice long ones—and to see how much they like to see my letters. Yes, Muriel, your big sister was quite right. I shall be very glad to have you for one of my little nieces. I dare say it *does* seem funny to write to an uncle you do not know—almost as funny as writing to unknown nieces and nephews; but perhaps we may have the pleasure of meeting some day. I am glad you are asking Jesus to bless our dark little brothers and sisters across the sea. God bless and save them. Well done, Peggie, you have done just what I want each one to do—brought someone else into the Corner. I am very glad to welcome you, Elsie, and your letter, and hope you will write again next month. I am glad to know your name this time, Hilda, and that you liked the story about the missionary's little girl born among the Eskimo. I hope you will like this letter.

But I greatly miss letters from Arthur, Rhoda, Rosie, and Ruth, who wrote last month; and I am rather afraid the reason is that my questions in February were a little too difficult. I hope you will all forgive me. I knew, of course, that you had not read *many* missionary books, and perhaps *no* missionary reports, but I hoped you would think to yourselves—"Well, there can't be any missionary book so good as *the New Testament*, and there can't be any missionary report so good as *the Acts of the Apostles*." I think I hear some of you say, "Why didn't I think of that?"

Now, let us have something easier this month, so that I may have the pleasure of hearing from many nephews and nieces. Will you each send me *three missionary texts from the Acts of the Apostles?* As you look for the texts you will see what a wonderful missionary report this book of the Bible is.

I want you each to do two little things for me: First get someone else to buy the HERALD, and then bring a friend into the Corner, as Peggie has done this month.

I was reading a book a week or two ago, when I came to a story which I thought you would like as much as I did. It was about Maggie's crutches. A minister in America had just preached a missionary sermon. It did not seem to have touched the people, and as he sat down he felt disappointed, but prayed that the collection might be better than it seemed likely to be. A little cripple girl was sitting alone at the back. Kind friends in the congregation had bought her a pair of crutches, which had made her as bright and cheery as sunshine. The preacher's story of the need of the heathen had touched *her* heart. "How I wish I had something to give," she thought, as the collection plate came nearer and nearer, "but I haven't even a copper." Then a very soft voice seemed to say, "There

are your *crutches*." That seemed to take away her breath, and she said to herself, "Oh! I couldn't give my crutches; they are my life." "Yes you *could*," said that quiet voice again, "and then someone would know of Jesus if you did, and that would mean so much to them; He has meant so much to you. Give your crutches." And a great struggle went on in that little girl's heart unseen and unheard by any but God; but victory came, and a smile shone through her tears as she waited; and then, when the plate was brought to her pew, she laid the crutches upon it! The man caught her meaning, steadied the crutches on the plate, and walked slowly up the aisle. Everybody knew the crutches, and eyes seemed to grow dim as the Pastor stood to receive the offerings, and said, "Surely our little crippled friend has given us a wonderful example." The plates were called back to the pews; someone paid for the crutches, and sent them back to that end pew, and the result was a very large collection. You may be sure that the little girl hobbled out that morning the happiest little woman in the world. *Her gift was touched with sacrifice.*

Now we separate again for another month, praying that our dear friends, Mr. and Mrs. Booth and Mr. and Mrs. Morling, may be

SUCCESSFUL BAPTIST MISSIONARIES.

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

Prayer Cycle for March.

"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving."

1	F	Special prayer for Authelutchmi.
2	S	For Mr. and Mrs. Morling in their bereavement.
3	S	Earnest intercession for a lady missionary.
4	M	Praise for the growth of the L.Z.A.
5	T	For guidance regarding the formation of Prayer Circles.
6	W	For Mrs. Booth in Zenana visiting.
7	Th	Special prayer for our missionaries in selecting the new Tamil field.
8	F	For the forthcoming Pastors' Conference.
9	S	For Mr. Brand in training at Livingstone College.
10	S	Special prayer for the children in the Sunday Schools.
11	M	For Mr. Booth in Madras.
12	T	For Preacher Soondram.
13	W	For the children attending the Periyamettu School.
14	Th	For the spiritual prosperity of the Agents in the Bible Class.
15	F	For a blessing to follow the distribution of Tamil tracts.
16	S	For Churches where there is little Missionary zeal.
17	S	For the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the meetings of the week.
18	M	For other Societies working in India.
19	T	Special prayer for the Committee.
20	W	For the Church at Vepery.
21	Th	For all native helpers.
22	F	For Mr. Morling, labouring in the country districts.
23	S	Special prayer for a lady missionary.
24	S	That the Teachers may be soul winners.
25	M	For Mrs. Morling in the country districts.
26	T	For Bible-woman Christiana.
27	W	That the revival may spread over all India.
28	Th	Special prayer for the Half-yearly Meetings.
29	F	That they may be the means of encouraging our missionaries.
30	S	For Preacher Shadrach at Arambakkam.
31	S	Praise for sustaining grace in the time of need.

ALICE APPLEGATE.

Subscriptions received from Jan. 11th to Feb. 10th, 1907.

Emergency Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. John Bennett ...	5	0	0
Aylesbury — Walton Street (Friend) ...	0	2	0
Mr. Russell	5	0	0
Tring—Anonymous ...	1	1	0
„ Akeman Street	34	18	0
„ Akeman Street W.M.C.A. ...	1	11	4
Aldbury	1	6	1
Erith	2	8	6
Basingstoke — Bible Class	0	10	0
Mrs. Beach	0	10	0
Per Mr. Chisnall :— Anonymous	100	0	0
A Friend	25	0	0
„	25	0	0
Miss A. Schweitzer ...	0	5	0
St. Albans—Bethel ...	4	0	0
Miss Rosa Herzig ...	0	2	6
Mr. W. Barritt... ...	0	10	0
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Fraser, junr.... ..	1	1	0
Mrs. J. W. Oliver ...	0	5	0

General Fund.

Soho S. S.	0	17	10
Colnbrook S. S. ...	2	10	2
Nedi	0	2	6
Miss Gardner (box)	0	12	4
Brentford—North Rd. S. S.	5	17	0
Aylesbury — Walton Street :—			
Miss L. Roberts (box)	0	5	0½
„ P. Smith (box)	0	5	10
Mrs. Staddon „	0	1	2
Mr. Thorn „	0	0	9
Miss Dearing „	0	1	8½
Stoke Ash—			
Miss Alice Cracknell (box)	0	5	5½
Miss K. Whiteman (box)	0	5	11
Miss Dolly Selbourne (box) ...	0	1	7
Miss Davey „ ...	0	1	3½
Mr. and Mrs. Colson (sub.)	0	10	6
Bierton—			
Miss M. Goode (box)	0	8	6
„ B. Markham „	0	10	0
„ B. Chapman „	0	8	6
„ R. Leach „	0	8	7
„ L. Thorne „	0	4	4½
„ O. King „	0	10	0
„ F. Norwood „	0	6	5½
„ F. Brown „	0	2	9
Mr. G. King and Family (box)...	0	11	8
„ A. Dearing ...	0	7	11
„ J. King	0	3	6
Wood Green—			
Mr. Turner (box)	0	7	6
„ Waller „	0	12	10
Miss Smith „	0	8	5
„ Kyte „	0	3	3½
„ O. Peay „	0	4	10

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Miss Parrish (box)	0	3	6½
Mr. Chambers „	0	4	7
„ Kyte „	0	5	1½
„ Bunyan „	0	4	4½
„ Hill „	0	2	10¼
Stratford (Gurney Road)—			
Subscriptions ...	1	6	0
Sunday School ...	0	16	0
Prittlewell — Providence S. S. (boxes)	1	0	0
Norwich — Orford Hill	0	4	0
Mr. W. Dykes ...	0	10	0
West Ham Tabernacle S. S.	4	5	5
Notting Hill Gate (Bethesda), per Mr. Geo. Crick	1	0	0
Miss Kate Staines ...	0	5	0
„ McGill	1	2	0
Mr. A. Steele	1	1	0
Norbiton—Zion ...	1	6	0
Mr. A. Butler	0	2	6
Tring (Akeman St.)— 1st Class Boys £1 1s., 2nd Ditto 15s., 3rd Ditto 10s. 4d., 4th Ditto 1s., 6th Ditto 8d.	2	8	0
Miss S. E. Billing ...	1	0	0
Margate — Mount Ephraim	1	0	0
Bristol—M. B. & L. S.	5	0	0
Bath (Bethel), per Miss Gray (card)...	1	15	0
Haworth (Hall Gr'n)—			
Mr. W. Kane ...	0	5	0
„ F. Eccles ...	0	2	6
Mrs. Wakefield ...	0	2	0
Miss H. Kilmister	0	2	0
Mrs. H. Merrett ...	0	1	0
A Friend	0	0	6
„	0	0	6
Sunday Schl. (box)	0	2	6
Mr. A. Baker	0	2	6
Mrs. B. Brazier ...	0	2	0
Miss Minnie Fromow	1	0	0
Miss Gilbert	0	10	0
Miss A. Schweitzer...	0	5	0
St. Albans (Bethel)—			
Miss Paul (box) ...	0	13	10
„ Gregory and „ Tappin (boxes)	0	10	6
Mr. Hawkins (box)	0	8	2½
Mrs. Eldred „	0	7	5
Mr. Whitbread „	0	5	6½
Miss E. Groom „	0	4	10½
„ Mitchell „	0	0	8½
Mr. Jeffs „	0	2	6
„ Ansell „	0	2	0
Anonymous	0	2	0
Royton—Bethesda ...	1	4	0
Walthamston — Zion S. S. boxes	0	10	11
Watford — Tabernacle S. S.	2	4	0
Tring (Akeman St.)—			
Senior C. E. Society	3	10	0½
Junior „ „	0	4	0½

General Fund (*cont.*)

	£	s.	d.
Miss Pulford	0	5	10½

"Herald" Fund.

Soho	0	1	1
Aylesbury — Walton Street	0	2	7
C. C. A. L. H.... ...	1	1	0
Kingston-on-Thames	0	18	0
Stratford — Gurney Road	0	2	6
Prittlewell — Providence...	0	7	0
Norwich — Orford Hill	0	8	6
Horham	0	5	0
Chelmsford	0	11	3
Whittlesea	0	5	0
Mr. F. A. Brown ...	0	1	0
Brentford — North Road	2	10	0
Miss E., Ryde... ...	0	2	6
Mrs. Parsons	0	2	6
Marylebone (Mount Zion), per Mr. Millwood	1	17	6
Mrs. Chivers	0	1	0
Mrs. Beach	0	1	0
Penrose Street S. S...	0	1	9½
Northampton ...	0	5	0
Notting Hill Gate— Bethesda	0	7	6
Royton—Bethesda ...	0	1	0
Watford—Tabernacle	0	1	0
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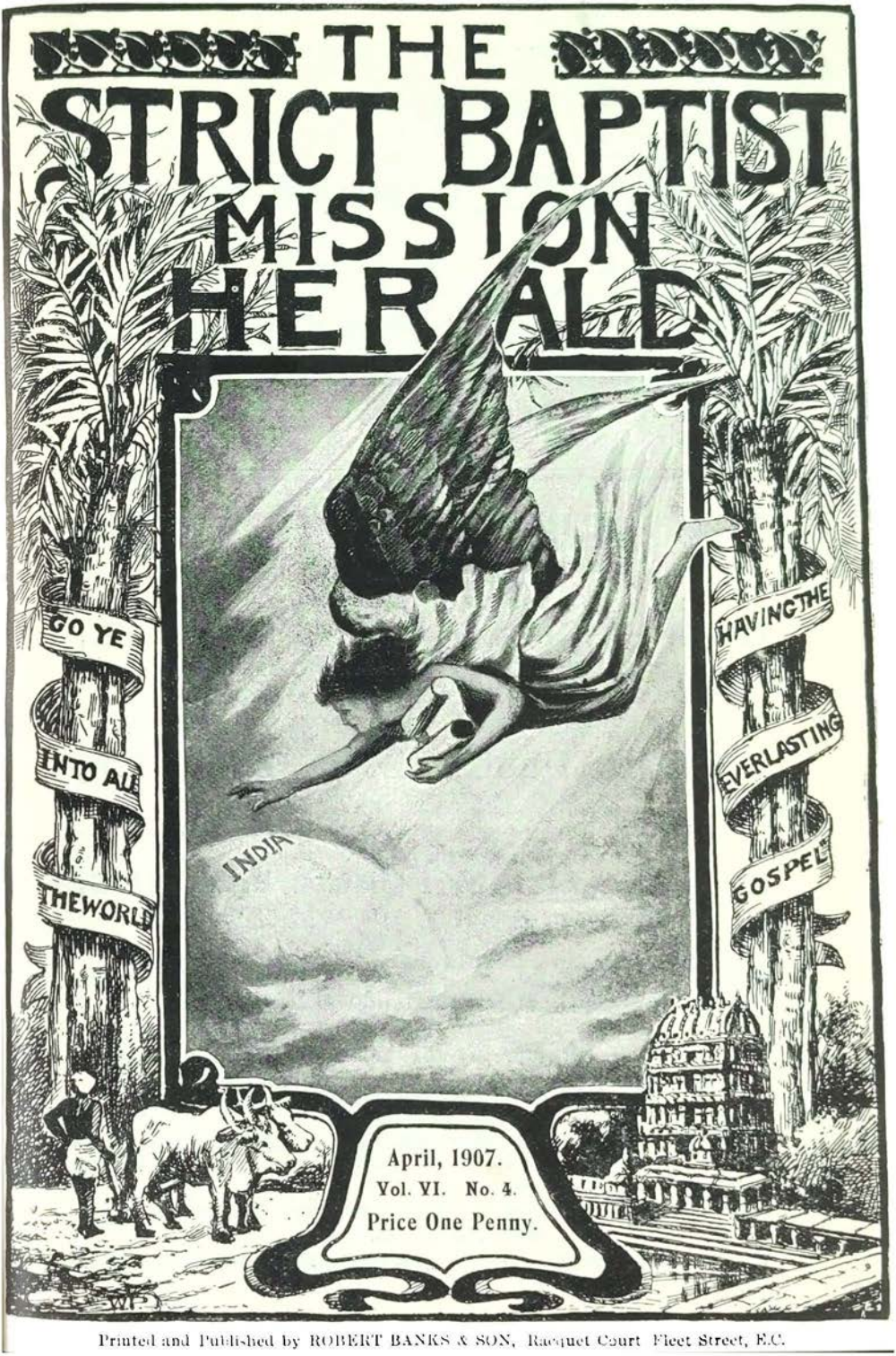
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THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING

Will (D.V.) be held at the

BAPTIST CHAPEL,

GURNEY ROAD, STRATFORD, E.,

On TUESDAY, 9th APRIL, 1907.

AFTERNOON at 3.45, **DEVOTIONAL SERVICE,**

The Vice-President, Pastor R. MUTIMER, in the Chair.

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Messrs. DOLBEY, J. M. BRAND, TOOKE, T. JONES, SEARS, MURRELL and STADDON.

A COMMITTEE MEETING of the LADIES' ZENANA AUXILIARY will be held immediately after Tea. All L. Z. A. Secretaries are on this Committee, and are earnestly invited to attend.

G.E.R. trains to Maryland Point. M.R. trains to Leytonstone, and thence by electric tram to Gurney Road. N.L. trains to Bow, and thence by tram to Stratford.

☞ We are expecting a Large Gathering of Friends, and Meetings full of Praise.

W. CHISNALL, *Hon. Sec* [*See Special Notices on page iv. of Cover.*

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CURRENT NOTES.

MR. AND MRS. DAVID MORLING have been gladdened by the arrival of a son—on February 17th. We rejoice with them and join in praise to our Lord for His goodness.

During the month of January Mr. Morling published a Tamil booklet on Scriptural Baptism for native Christians and enquirers. We understand this supplies a lack in Tamil Christian literature, and pray that much blessing may rest upon it. At the same time we warmly congratulate our brother.

A new Mission Station has been opened at Pursawalkam, and school work was commenced there about the middle of January. On the day of opening, Mr. Booth stood in the doorway and preached the Gospel to a good number "who at first wondered what was the matter."

A new school has also been opened in the village of Sembarambakkam, about a mile west of Madras, where we already had a Station. It is near to villages of Mohammedans, Hindus and non-caste. This station is under Mr. Morling's care.

Mr. Morling bespeaks our prayers for our two native workers at Kollattur (a village four miles north-west of Madras), husband and wife, who, he says, are "in a difficult station, cut off from all Christian society." The school, which suffered much a year or more ago through epidemics, loss of teachers, &c., has been making good progress.

The Emergency Fund now amounts to £1,050 17s. 8d.

SOUL VALUATION.

OUR Lord indicated the priceless value of the soul in the words, "What is a man profited if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" Every soul, according to this Divine valuation, is worth at least a world; and the unspeakableness of its loss can only be imagined as we ponder the cost of redemption.

The Holy Spirit has so convinced us of this that we have "fled for refuge to the only hope set before us in the Gospel." And there are times when the immensity of our Lord's love and the wonders of His grace break in upon us and fill our hearts with "wonder, love, and praise," and we find expression in such words as these—

> "Why was I made to hear Thy voice
> And enter while there's room?"

But every other soul of the fifteen or sixteen hundred millions in the world is as precious as our own, and Christ has commanded us to send the "word of this salvation" to "every creature." A thousand millions, however, are still ignorant of it, and a large proportion of that number have not so much as heard the name of Christ, which so charms our own ears; while seven or eight hundred millions of them are in the thick darkness of heathenism—Godless, Christless, hopeless.

If the unit is worth a world, how can we compute the soul-value of this mass of humanity which lies "in the lap of the evil one"? Such questions are beyond us; but they are not idle questions if they serve to reveal to us the adequacy or otherwise of our efforts, gifts and prayers for the evangelisation of our fellow-men.

It is, unhappily, true that "the world is taking the devil's mission much more seriously than the Church is taking her Lord's mission." The inadequacy of her efforts to the awful need, to her resources, and to the imperative command of Christ, is apparent. She sends out of every nineteen hundred members only one (including wives) to about sixty thousand heathen—in India one to three hundred thousand—while her gifts average about half-a-crown per member per annum. This is the Church's practical soul-valuation!

But after all, we may miss the mark by dwelling on the *Church's* failure. As the unit is the basis of calculation of the need, so is it of the supply; and the question resolves itself into an intensely personal one—Does *my* effort in prayer, money, labour, self-surrender, bear any true proportion to my estimate of the value of perishing, immortal souls?

"A GOING Christian is a growing Christian. A going Church has always been a growing Church. . . . 'Go' is the ringing key-note of the Christian life, whether in a man or in the Church."—*Quiet Talks on Service.*

Our Foreign Field.



THE NEW SEMBARAMBAKKAM SCHOOL.

In the above group are found Caste Hindus, Punchamas, Christians, and Mohammedans—the four principal communities of India.—D. M.

[Mr. Morling's note as to the opening of this School appeared last month.—ED.]

Where We Live.

PERHAPS a few notes regarding our immediate surroundings will prove interesting to our home friends.

Our house is situated on the main road, close to the busy Pursawalkam bazaar. Fruit, grain, sweetmeat, flowers, spices, jewels, fowls, oil, pots, and other things too numerous to mention, are on sale there. Hindus are great at bargaining, and over the smallest amount spent many words are generally spoken. The bullock cart and the electric tram-car run side by side in the bazaar, and each has its patrons.

Directly opposite to our house there is a CHUTTRAM, which has been erected by pious Hindus in memory of a deceased brother. Here people are fed each day, fifty measures of rice being cooked and freely distributed. This is one of the recognised ways of storing merit for the next world. It is a piteous crowd which gathers every day to receive this dole. The blind, lame, maimed, deformed, diseased and the decrepit

assemble in front of the iron gates by 11 in the morning and clamour for admittance. The keeper admits them in batches. Caste and non-caste have separate quarters provided.

On one side of the CHUTTRAM is a "toddy shop," where intoxicating liquors are consumed. At night-time we hear the effect.

On the other side of the CHUTTRAM, facing the same road that we do, is a Hindu temple, known as the GANGATHISWARKOIL. In front of the temple there is a large pond, which is generally covered with a thick coat of green slime. In this sacred pool worshippers wash their cloths and bathe their bodies. Some of the younger men can be seen enjoying a swim. During festival times the "god" is brought out of the temple and carried past our house on a huge platform borne on the shoulders of sixteen or more strong men, the music on such occasions being weird-sounding horns and noisy, monotonous drums. Added to this we have the clang, clang, clang of the temple bell at various times during the night.

For the rest, we are surrounded by street after street of closely-built small houses, nearly all of which are inhabited by caste Hindus. E. A. B.

On the Highway.

"See what grace without measure Jesus has;
Oh my soul!"

HOW strangely sweet sounds the name of Jesus in the quaint Tamil lyric which Mr. Booth and Dyriam are singing! They have taken their stand on the high road which runs through Pursawalkam, and Hinduism is awaking to another day.

The temple bell is clanging; the toddy-shop (public-house) has already flung open its doors; the beggars are gathering, one by one, at the almshouse opposite our house. A stream of people is moving listlessly down the road and numberless bullock bandies and other vehicles are hurrying by. Slowly, slowly a funeral procession creeps by. The tiny body of a child wrapped in a cloth and slung on a pole is carried on the shoulders of two men. How mournfully the music of the conch strikes on one's heart!

We watch with eagerness a crowd which is gathering around the preachers—men with the trident marks of Vishnu on their foreheads stopping to listen to the story of the Cross; women with burdens on their heads—and on their hearts—pausing a few minutes to hear the wondrous message to the heavy-laden; little children, full of innocent curiosity, gazing open-eyed and open-mouthed at the speakers.

The singing stops, and Dyriam begins to speak, interspersing his address with snatches of song. We wonder if the crowd will now break up; but no, it is still there, pressing closer

around. Now another lyric arises on the morning air, and then Mr. Booth speaks. Oh that God would wing each word into those listening hearts!

Others are now gathering, and some of the crowd pass on. Now another lyric, and the preachers move down the road and take their stand at our gate, followed by the crowd. Here again the preaching is continued, the people still listening; while the morning hours creep on and the sun is high in the heavens.

The preaching is over. The preachers take up the other work of the day; the people move on and are lost to sight. How many of them will hear the name of Jesus to-morrow? How many will have passed beyond the sound of it?

The tale is easily told, but oh, do we Christians fully realise the value of such opportunities? If we did, should we not more constantly pray that the preachers may be endued with the Holy Spirit as they proclaim the precious name of Christ?

WINIFRED BOOTH.

First the Blade.

WHEN walking through the bazaar recently, our Teacher Abraham met one of the scholars of our Choolai School carrying home a plantain (banana) and a small piece of camphor. In answer to the teacher's question, the boy said that his father was about to offer these in worship to the *swami* (god). "But," added the boy, who had been taught in our School about the one true God, "I will not join in the worship of the idol."

The mother of one of our Choolai scholars called lately at the School and reported to the teacher that her boy refuses to join the other members of the family in worshipping their god (idol).

Another woman, having heard her child repeat various incidents in the life of Christ, often comes to our School, where her child is a scholar, and asks to be told more about Him. Should we not pray "more earnestly" for such?

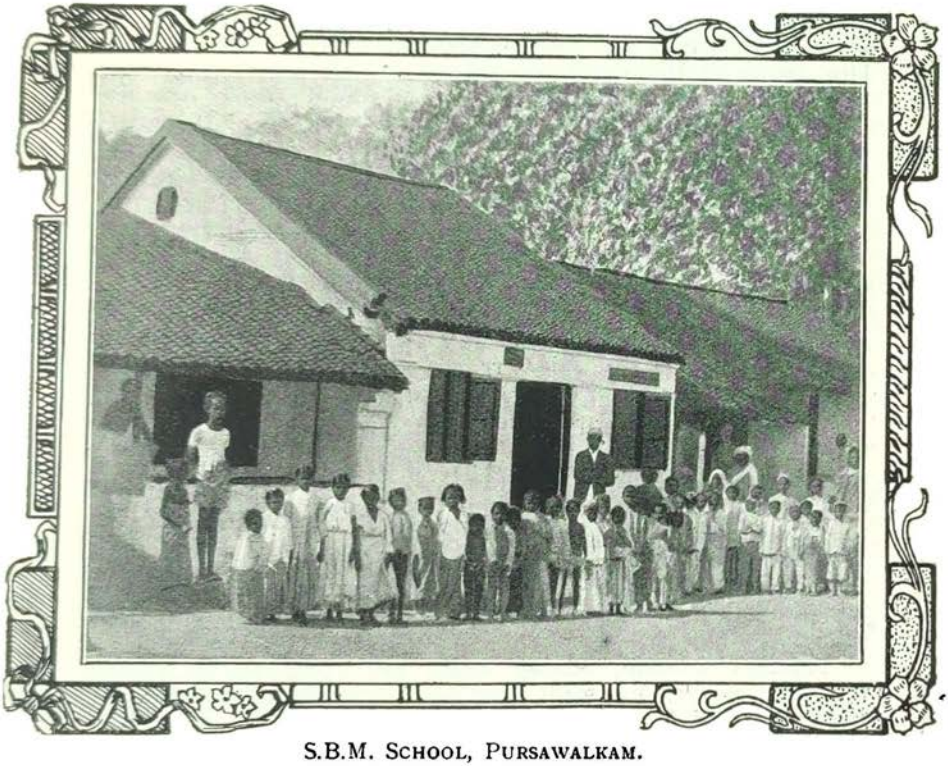
E. A. B.

The Land Question.

FOR some time past I have been eagerly looking out for a suitable site on which to build our Tamil Chapel. Up to the time of writing I have not been able to secure one. Eligible sites are few and expensive; they are in the hands of natives who can afford to wait. The recent bank failures have enhanced the value of property in Madras.

I have been waiting for an opportunity of meeting the owner of a small plot not far from the present rented Chapel. I have just had an interview with him, which has practically dashed

all my hopes regarding that site. There are only a few paltry sheds on the land, which is now a coachbuilder's yard. The owner asks a cool hundred pounds sterling for that portion of the site which he is prepared to sell. I am advised by one who should know that the present market value of the site is about forty pounds. I am now making enquiries in another direction. E. A. B.



S.B.M. SCHOOL, PURSAWALKAM.

HERE is a photograph of our new School at Pursawalkam, which we opened in the middle of January. There are now between thirty and forty children in daily attendance, some of whom are Mohammedans.

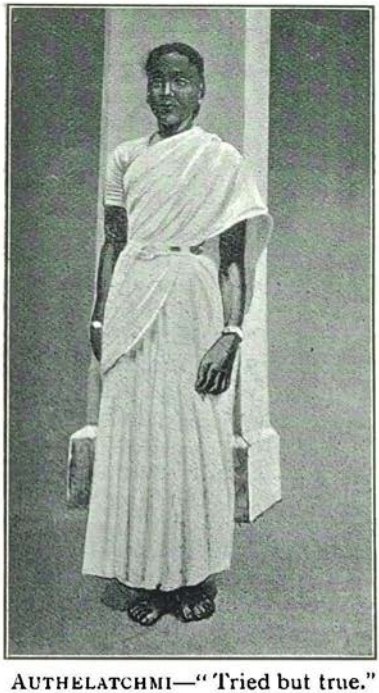
The teacher is standing behind the scholars, nearly in the centre, on the steps leading into the Schoolroom. On the day that we started the School, Preacher Dyriam and I stood on these steps and preached the Gospel. E. A. B.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.—I wish to very heartily thank my unknown friend, "SSALC GNIGNIS," for his generous gift.—ERNEST A. BOOTH.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

The Mission of the Boxes.

WE are all getting quite used to seeing our little red collecting-boxes standing in conspicuous places in our rooms, "Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary" printed so clearly across them. But what a thousand pities it is that "getting used" to anything so often means getting careless about it! Such sleepy, lazy beings are we that a series of shocks seems almost necessary to keep us really awake!



AUTHELATCHMI—"Tried but true."
See Mrs. Booth's Paper in the Feb. No.

Now, I want, if possible, for each of us who possesses a Zenana box to have a *real shock* next time she sees it. I want us to find the unassuming little beggar speaking right out and flashing a vision into our sleepy souls — this vision!—these words!—a vast multitude of debased, downtrodden, Christless women; and, then, "How much do *you really care?*" Not "How much do you *talk* about it?" Some of us do too much of this. How can we tell how much we care? I think by how much we pray. Real *caring* must lead to real praying; it is inevitable. Surface excitement and enthusiasm do not lead to it. Only a deep sense of another's need and of Christ's power to save, drives to true, intercessory prayer. I feel the shock to most of us will be, the realization of how little of this pleading, beseeching prayer arises from our hearts. Doubtless we seldom forget to mention our dear missionaries before the Throne of Grace; but do we deny ourselves other pleasures in order to get alone to wrestle with God about them and the heathen among whom they work? We do not want anything very much if we are unwilling to make some sacrifice to obtain it; and so I fancy our prayers are not very deep or availing if they are only offered

when we have spare time, and nothing has to be given up for them. EVELYN C. HARRIS.

NORTH ROAD, BRENTFORD.—Miss M. FROMOW, Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary Secretary, writes:—

"Much interest is being taken by the friends here in this new branch of work for our loved Mission in the Master's name.

"Fifty-five boxes are already in use, the holders of same all being members of the Church and congregation in this place of worship. All seem very ready and willing to help, and it is no difficulty to get our sisters to take the boxes and become subscribers in this way.

"It is our fervent desire that God will bless these efforts, though small, for His glory, in the extension of His kingdom."

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WEST HAM TABERNACLE.—We are glad to hear that an L.Z.A. Prayer Circle was formed here on the 20th Feb., when it was decided to meet once a month for prayer, and each member pledged herself to try to get others interested. It was "a most happy little meeting," says Mrs. C. H. Stockdale, the L.Z.A. Secretary for this Branch.

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CHADWELL STREET, CLERKENWELL.—Mrs. Silvester, the Secretary of the Ladies' Auxiliary, writes concerning this Branch :—"We have about fifty collecting-boxes in use, including those in the School. We held our first prayer meeting on Wednesday afternoon, March 6th. In the unavoidable absence of our President, Mrs. Hutchinson, through illness, Miss Mannering kindly led the meeting. We had a very enjoyable and I trust profitable time. Prayer was especially offered that the Lord would raise up a Lady Missionary to go out to India for us. It was suggested that Mrs. Booth be asked to let us know of special cases needing our prayers. The case of Authelatchmi was pleaded before the Lord. We are hoping (D.V.) to hold these meetings once a month. I should also like to tell you that a Young People's Sewing Meeting is held monthly in our Schoolroom. It is presided over by Mrs. Webb, the leader of our Young Women's Bible Class. We commence at 7.30 p.m., and until 9 o'clock we are very busy in making garments in readiness for the Christmas Box. We then hold a short prayer meeting and close at 9.30.

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Bible-woman Jeevamoney is now filling Mary's place, and is living with her family in the building where the Sembarambakham School is held, and works in that district.

A COMMITTEE MEETING will be held at the Half-Yearly Meeting on the 9th April. All L.Z.A. Secretaries are earnestly requested to attend. See advt. on page ii. of cover.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive notices of forthcoming Missionary Services, Lectures, and Meetings, and also brief Reports for publication.

Reports of Meetings.

Akeman Street, Tring.—Missionary Sunday and Special Service in connection with the Working Men's Christian Association.—We had splendid times on Sunday, January 27th, and Friday, February 1st. Upon the former occasion the Pastor preached sermons morning and evening, the subjects being "The Sure Word of Prophecy" (2 Peter i. 19), and "Be not silent" (2 Kings vii. 9). Collections amounted to £34 18s.

On the Friday following, a most enthusiastic meeting was held, Pastor Jabez Humphreys, one of our old Sunday School scholars, visiting our Men's Christian Association, and delivering a most eloquent and stirring lecture upon "The Gospel and Social Problems." This rather difficult subject was handled in a masterly manner, the lecturer proving the fact that the supreme aim of the Gospel is to regenerate men's souls, and that this would lead to reformation of their outward lives and surroundings. Collection for Mission, £1 11s. 4d.

Ipswich, Bethesda.—Our Brother Brand won his way into the hearts of all at Bethesda on the occasion of his visit to Ipswich on February 24th. Very large congregations gathered both morning and evening, and the testimony was listened to and followed with rapt attention. The evening discourse was charged with special power, and the text, "He must reign," upon which it was based, rings in our ears still, and brings to mind many things our brother said. We are all grateful to God for Mr. Brand's visit to Bethesda, and trust that many other Churches will seek his services, and shew their appreciation of them by giving a good collection to the Mission. Personally, I feel the Mission has in Mr. Brand a man "filled with the Holy Ghost," and that he will be a splendid addition to our staff in India, and an invaluable help to our brother Booth. —H. TYDEMAN CHILVERS (Pastor).—*See Special Notice on p. iv. of Cover.*

A Preliminary Conference of Pastors was held at Soho on Friday afternoon, March 1st. There was an encouraging attendance, but the absence of our President through illness was much regretted. It was decided to convene a Conference of Ministers interested in the work of the Strict Baptist Mission at Soho on Friday, May 10th, at 7 o'clock. The subject of the Conference will be "*The best means of extending the Missionary spirit in our Churches*," on which a paper will be read, when two brethren will open the discussion. Further notice will be given of the meeting in the May HERALD. We trust many brethren will be able to attend, and that all our friends will, in the meantime, seek our Master's gracious guidance and blessing concerning this important gathering.

NOTICE.—Walthamstow, Maynard Road. — Pastor E. Rose will (D.V.) preach a Missionary Sermon on Lord's Day evening, April 14th, at 6.30. Owing to the half-yearly meeting of the Mission on April 9th, our Young People's Missionary Society will hold no meeting in that month, but we hope to attend the half-yearly meeting as a Society. —C. H. BOOTH, *Hon. Sec.*

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

The "Open Sore" of the World.

"All I can add in my loneliness is, may heaven's richest blessing come down on anyone, American, English, or Turk, who will help to heal this open sore of the world."—DR. LIVINGSTONE'S last written words.

IT is sometimes helpful to estimate the need of the heathen by considering the need of some of our own large towns and cities in Christian England. A short time ago I was present and saw the curtain lifted for a few minutes upon a tragedy which is being repeated a thousand times in many parts of our own beloved land.

The scene is in the Receiving Room of a big London hospital. Enter—A little boy. One would think as he comes slipping through the doorway that his age must be about ten or eleven years, but, as he turns, one is struck by the old-looking face. The body is that of a child, but the face surely belongs to a man. His clothes, which should fit a child of his age well, hang loosely about his spare frame, and a rent in his sleeve reveals a thin arm almost blue with the winter cold. There is no need to ask the reason of his coming to the hospital, for his eyes are badly inflamed and swollen and should have been attended to long ago. Cap in hand he stands before the house-surgeon.

"How old are you?" "Fourteen, sir."

"How long have your eyes been like that?" "A year, sir."

"A year! Why did you not come here before?" "Couldn't leave my work, sir." "Why not?" "'Cos I'd have got the sack."

"Why are you so anxious not to get 'the sack'?" "'Cos I have to keep mother, sir."

"Where are your brothers and sisters?" "Two of 'em are in Barnardo's Homes." "Where is your father?" "Dead, sir."

"And your mother?" "Mother has to keep in bed 'cos she's always ill and weak."

"So you have to support the family?" "Yes, sir." . . . But no one would have guessed from the brave smile on his face that such was the case.

Oh, if there is so much still to be accomplished in the midst of our boasted civilisation, what must be the need in the centre of heathenism, where, instead of places of worship and hospitals at every corner, there are heathen temples, with all the ignorance, sin, and misery that they symbolise? "Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest that He will thrust forth more labourers into His harvest."

JESSE M. BRAND.

Livingstone College.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—I have the pleasure of welcoming three more into our Corner—Letty Hearsey and Victoria Wilson, of Guildford, Gertrude and Ethel Tooke, of Salhouse—and I have to thank Rosie and Ruth Waters and Hilda Howard for bringing their little friends. Who else will do the same? Then I must thank each one of you who have written to me this month for his and her nice, kind letters, especially Vicky, for her little story and her suggestion. Yes, Vicky, here is a picture of Mr. and Mrs. Booth's new baby, and if Mr. Morling will kindly send me one of *his* baby, you shall have that in the Corner too. I was hoping to hear from you again, Arthur, and am pleased to see your neat letter and careful selection.

I daresay you would like to know what each other is saying. So listen. Rhoda says: "I feel very sorry for the poor little heathen children in far-off lands that do not know about the dear Lord Jesus." Letty: "If we cannot go to the heathen and be missionaries we can pray for them." Rosie: "I hope the work will be owned and blessed among the heathen. The apostles always preached CHRIST." Hilda says that Maggie's gift of her crutches "makes us think of Jesus giving His life for us." I am glad to know what you think and feel, and like your thoughts very much; but if I do not add any words of my own, you may, perhaps, imagine that you are talking to each other through the telephone.



You have taken care and trouble in finding out missionary texts, and I am very pleased with each of you; but as I did not intend the searching to be a competition it would not be fair, perhaps, to say which is the best selection.

If I were to ask you what a missionary is, no doubt some would answer correctly that he is "one who is *sent* to preach the gospel." But who sends him? If you will learn Acts xxii. 21, Acts xiii. 4, and Acts xiii. 3, in the order I have given, you will always be able to remember that a missionary is one who is sent by Jesus, by the Holy Spirit, and by the Church, "into all the world."

Will you tell me all you know, or can find out from your parents or teachers, or from the last Report, about the Strict Baptist Mission—as, for instance, how many missionaries we have, how many native helpers, their names, and our "Stations" in and near Madras, or anything you have learned at School about Madras. Write to me, however little you may have to say, and let me have your letters by the 10th of *May*. This will give you more time. But I shall be glad to hear from you in April just the same.

I close with a story I have recently read about an old Hindu Christian's death, which, I think you will say, is full of the sunshine and music of the name of Jesus. He was thought to be unconscious and unable to read or to recognise anyone; but a lady missionary who went to see him took

a card with "JESUS" written large in Tamil letters. "He opened his eyes and saw the word," says the missionary, "and it was as if a great light passed over his face. Never shall I forget that light and the smile that looked out of those loving old eyes as they lingered over the Word. Then we saw he was trying to lift his hand. Someone helped him, and the finger traced it as if writing it, character by character. No one spoke. He could not speak, but the trembling finger still traced the Word over and over. Then the lips moved, and the dark eyes, dim with death's dimness, shone. We knew he was speaking to Jesus. Then, with a satisfied, rested look, like the look of a little, tired child that finds itself safe in its mother's arms, and is so glad just to go to sleep, the old man turned and fell asleep, his hand still touching caressingly the dear Word 'Jesus.'"*

Dear boys and girls, do you love this name, "which is above every name"? If so, aren't you glad that this man loved Jesus, too? Although an educated man he had been an idolater, but by the grace of God he had for many years loved and preached the gospel among his fellow-countrymen. And don't you want other Tamil-speaking Hindus to love Jesus also? Our mission is to Tamil-speaking Hindus, and I want you to pray for them and our missionaries.—Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

Prayer Cycle for April.

"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving."

1	M	Special prayer for the new school at Sembarambakkam.
2	T	For preacher Doraiswamy in this new work.
3	W	Praise for the Prayer Circles already formed.
4	Th	Earnest prayer for a lady missionary.
5	F	For Mrs. Booth, that she may be encouraged.
6	S	For Bible-woman Arseervatham.
7	S	Earnest prayer for guidance in choosing the new Tamil field.
8	M	For the prosperity of the Manchester Auxiliary.
9	T	That the presence of the Holy Spirit may be felt in to-day's
10	W	That our rulers in India may rule in righteousness. [Meetings.
11	Th	Praise for the continued growth of the L.Z.A.
12	F	For little "Bobbie" in England.
13	S	For Preacher Varatharajulu sowing beside all waters.
14	S	For all engaged in Missionary work.
15	M	For Divine guidance in the Home Committee Meetings.
16	T	For Mr. Brand in training.
17	W	Special prayer for Markandan.
18	Th	For Mr. Booth.
19	F	For the children of the Semmencheri Schools.
20	S	For the Editor of our Magazine.
21	S	That the power of the Holy Spirit may be realised in this week's
22	M	Special prayer for a lady missionary. [Meetings.
23	T	For Mr. Morling in the country districts.
24	W	Special prayer for a blessing on the work in Madras.
25	Th	For Mrs. Morling, that she may be encouraged.
26	F	For the work among Lepers in India.
27	S	That "Our Young People's Page" may be the means of great
28	S	Praise for the progress of the Emergency Fund. [blessing.
29	M	Prayer for all native helpers.
30	T	That the chains which bind the women of India may be broken.

ALICE APPLEGATE.

* *Overweights of Joy.*

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	£	s.	d.
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Woolwich—Enon S.S., per Miss L. Downe	1	0	0
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Mr. Goodley ...	10	0	0
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General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Swindon	1	16	0
Mr. J. Billing... ...	1	10	0
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Bromley, College Slip Bible Class	0	9	0
Aston Clinton S.S. ...	0	5	6

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Dacre Park Y.W.B.C. (box)	0	3	7
Manchester, A Friend	0	2	6
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Miss R. M. Brain ...	0	5	0
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,, Y.P.B.C.	0	5	0
A Friend	1	0	0
Claxton	0	17	0

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	£	s.	d.
Mr. H. Blackman ...	0	2	0
,, J. B. Collin ...	0	2	0
Bermondsey—Lynton Road ...	0	4	10
Hounslow, Zoar ...	0	3	9
Haworth, Hall Green S.S.	0	1	0
Wood Green	0	2	6
Wooburn Green ...	0	12	0
Middlesbro'	0	1	4
Reigate...	0	2	0

"Herald" Fund (*cont.*).

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Leyton, Goldsmith Road	0	4	0
Salhouse	0	10	6
Miss R. M. Brain ...	0	1	0
Homerton	0	16	8
Mr. J. House... ...	0	0	6
Penrose Street S.S....	0	3	5½
Claxton	0	3	0
Guildford	0	10	0
Hounslow, Zoar ...	0	3	6

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Salhouse	0	1	2
Mr. J. House	0	1	0
Penrose Street S.S. ...	0	0	2

THE EMERGENCY FUND

has now, through the wonderful goodness of God, reached the total of upwards of £1,050, and only another £100 is required to make up the amount lost in October. It would make the Half-yearly Meeting on the 9th April a memorable occasion if we could then announce the completion of the fund. *We therefore ask all friends who have Emergency money in hand kindly to send it to Mr. Robbins, if possible, before the meeting, or to pay it in then.*

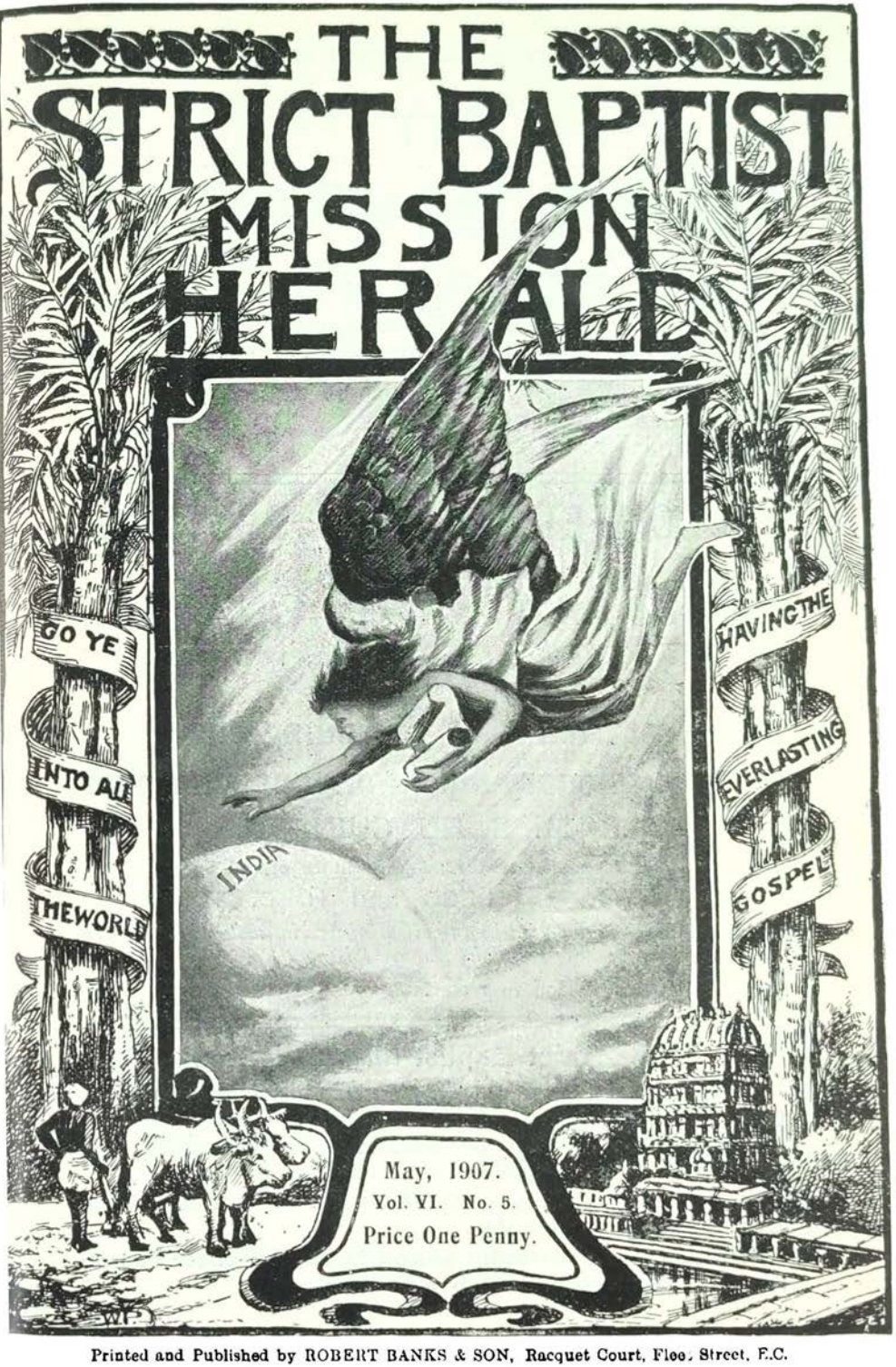
MR. J. M. BRAND,

our new Missionary, at present studying at Livingstone College, will be free in August for three or four months of Deputation work. As the period is so limited, and it is very desirable that as many Churches as possible should see and hear our brother before he sails for Madras, *dates should be arranged without delay by writing to the General Secretary.*

THE HERALD

seeks the earnest co-operation of every reader in its effort *to become self-supporting this year.* With its increasing circulation, we are hopeful that it may even become *a direct financial help* to the funds of the Mission. This may easily be an accomplished fact if *all* our readers *will pay for their copies and endeavour to increase the sale.* Heartiest thanks are given to the many friends who are already earnestly helping in this direction.

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A CONFERENCE OF PASTORS

Will (D.V.) be held at

SOHO BAPTIST CHAPEL,

On FRIDAY, MAY 10th, at 7 p.m.,

When a Paper will be read on

The Best Means of Extending the Missionary Spirit in our Churches

- - - By Mr. S. HUTCHINSON. - - -

The Discussion of the Subject will be opened by

Messrs. J. E. FLEGG and H. D. TOOKE.

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CURRENT NOTES.

OUR hope of announcing the completion of the Emergency Fund is all but realised. The fund was made up at the Half-yearly Meeting to £1,146 2s. 0d. "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes," and we record it to His praise with "chastened gratitude."

Of this amount £1,000 forms the original Building Fund; and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Booth have added to it a thankoffering of £50. This generous donation may be taken as an indication of the urgency of the need of a Chapel site and bungalow.

There has been great difficulty in securing a suitable house in consequence of the rise of prices in Madras; but we have just received the welcome news that this has now been accomplished.

The appeal of our Missionaries for special prayer that they may be Divinely guided to a new Tamil field will, we trust, be widely and warmly responded to.

The news of the baptism of a Tamil sister should not only fill our hearts with praise but with more prayerful longing and expectation that our Lord's saving power may be increasingly manifested.

We draw attention to the Conference of Pastors advertised on the opposite page and trust there will be a large attendance.

Our Foreign Field.

Interesting Items.

WE extract several items from the letters of our Missionaries which will be of interest to our readers.

First and foremost, we rejoice to hear that Mr. Booth had the pleasure of baptising a convert named Christiana during February, and of receiving her into the Tamil Church at Vepery on Sunday, March 3rd. His account, on page 52, will be read with pleasure.

During February our *City* workers reached 5,400 people with the Gospel message. There are 388 children in our City schools and the average daily attendance was 289. Let us pray that the Word of God which these children hear day by day may abide in their memories, regenerate their souls, and be carried to their homes to continue its saving work in the hearts of the parents.

Both our brethren have been making vigorous enquiries in the Tamil country to enable them to come to a decision as to the field which our Lord would have us occupy in His name. Mr. Booth says, in a letter to the Committee, dated March 6th: "The importance of the decision which has to be made can hardly be over-estimated. A mistake now might cripple our usefulness for years. You will, I am sure, respond heartily to the appeal I now make for special and definite prayer in this matter. We shall probably be in the thick of the problem when this reaches you." The same evening our friends started on a ten days' tour of inspection. It was a time of hard touring. "We were on the rush most of the time," Mr. Booth says in a later letter, "and knocked-up when we got back. Having no camping conveniences, we had to make more speed than we should otherwise have done. We visited half-a-dozen taluks, putting in 150 miles of jutka riding." "About the crying need of these taluks," he adds, "there is no question"; and Mr. Morling, who has given us a glimpse of the experiences of this tour in the following interesting article, writes concerning one of the towns they visited: "The whole place is *filled with idolatry*. Temples and shrines and cars abound on every hand. This is the holy place! It makes one's heart ache, too, to think that all these thousands of people are in the grossest darkness, living without the Gospel, knowing nothing of a God of love."

This will surely constrain us all to respond to our brethren's appeal for definite prayer that they may be guided to a right choice.

A Dark Corner of the Earth.

IT is a mountain pass. The sun has long dipped behind the western peaks, and, with aching limbs, jaded ponies, and crazy bundies, we stumble our way through the black darkness into a lonely village.

But we are not welcome. Our inhospitable friends refuse to sell us even water for our beasts, and it is only after much persuasion that they come forward with this indispensable commodity. Sleeping accommodation forms another problem, and a good deal of winsome language is necessary on our part ere we obtain leave to put up in an open shed. But at last, with the male community staring in amazement at our culinary operations—by force of circumstances rendered public to the whole village—we settle down and make a simple, yet hearty, meal. A board on the floor is my bed. In a few moments, with the murmur of bundymen and the brawl of a festival still sounding in my ears, I fall asleep.

By three o'clock in the morning, with the rising of the moon, we bestir ourselves, take rusks and hot coffee, pack up, and make our way through the pass. The air is full of the stories of marauding cheetas and tigers, and of robbers who lift cattle and waylay strangers. Though we see plain traces of the latter, we plod on over rock and ravine, and by dawn emerge into open country.



KRISHNA.

All this is not like Christian England. Yet it is not this that gives us aching hearts. The sun has now risen and is already blazing forth a light most fierce in its intense brightness; but the people we have left are in dense darkness — in total ignorance of the love of God, *not knowing even what we mean by Christianity.* In them are the blackness of sin and the gloom of despair; in us is the light of hope and of

God's love; in His Word are the command, "Go ye," and the promise, "Lo, I am with you." Let us go out, obeying His command, relying upon His promise and "holding forth the word of life." D. MORLING.

In Obedience to His Command.

BETWEEN two and three years ago, a young man came one morning to our Tamil service at Vepery. He found that although a stranger he was accorded a warm welcome. This led to his further attendance. He was so impressed with the services that he persuaded his mother to attend. Shortly after this, he was suddenly seized with cholera and died. The death of her eldest son made a very deep impression on Christiana, and caused her to pray as she had never prayed before. From that time, to use her own words, she has had "a new idea about religion." Since then, Christiana has been attending our Sunday and Wednesday meetings.

Not long ago, she asked for believers' baptism. During my talks with her, I learned the above particulars. Christiana has had difficulties to encounter and has overcome them. By her personal experience, testimony and conduct, she is a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ.

On the last Sunday in February, I preached from the Ethiopian's question, "What doth hinder me to be baptized?" dealing with (1) hindrances, (2) requisites, (3) design, (4) mode. At the conclusion of this service, which was well attended, we adjourned to the American Baptist Chapel. Here brother Morling read a passage of Scripture, and spoke a few words relative to the symbolic teaching of the ordinance, by the side of the pool. It was then my privilege and pleasure to baptize Christiana into the Triune Name. ERNEST A. BOOTH.

The Mohurram.

MOHURRAM, the name of the first month in the Moslem year, is also the name by which the Mohammedan festival held during that month is now known.

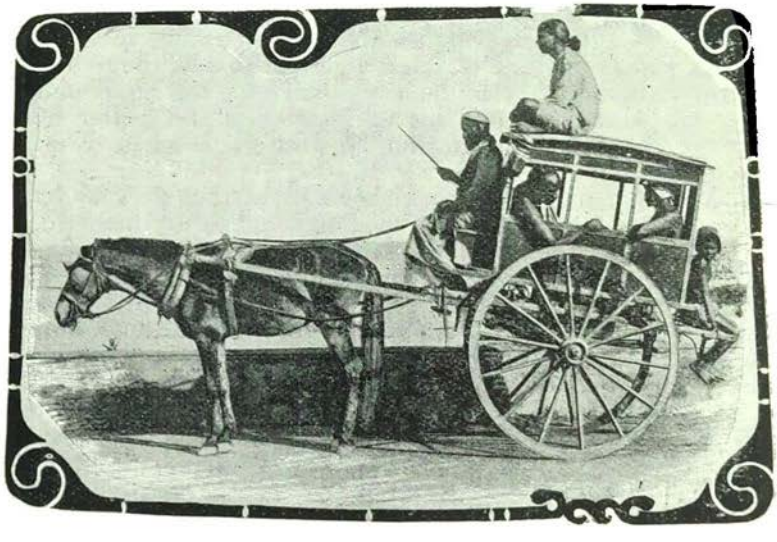
To the faithful followers of the prophet it is a time of mourning, celebrating, as it does, the martyrdom of Ali and his sons, Hasan and Husain. The Mohammedans erect temporary structures of palm leaves in every part of the city, and make *tabuts*, or as the Tamils say, "cages," which represent the tomb of Husain. Many of these are cleverly designed and tastefully decorated; others are tawdry. On the seventh day, the great breast-beating ceremony takes place.

Into this Mohammedan religious festival the non-caste people of India have entered of their own accord and in their own way. They assume various disguises—some ludicrous,

some repulsive. From the fact that some paint themselves with stripes and tie on a tail to represent a tiger, all who assume disguises at this time are called "tigers." Some of the "tigers" I have seen during the Mohurram this year have been blackened from head to foot with soot and oil. They march around the streets in small and large companies for several days, shouting Ali! Hula! Husain!

So superstitious are the people here that they scarcely dare refuse to give money to these rowdy "tigers." Mrs. Booth was talking to a Tamil woman during Mohurram, who said that she intended giving money to the "tiger." On being asked why, she said that her people refused to give last year, and the result was her brother broke his leg and her mother was taken ill!! They attributed these misfortunes to the anger of the Mohammedan god, and did not intend running such risks again this year. In company with Preachers Soondram and Dyriam, I stood on the side of one of the main roads, and we had the utmost difficulty in attracting an audience during Mohurram.

E. A. B.



A JUTKA. (*See page* 50.)

Stopped by a Sentry.

NOT far from Vepery Chapel, several lines of huts for the accommodation of Lascars have been erected. The place is the private property of Government, but being laid out in streets, I thought it suitable for open-air preaching. In company with Soondram I entered the Lascar lines for this purpose. We soon came in contact with a sentry,

who asked our business, and said that he had been strictly ordered not to allow any strangers within the lines. He referred me to his immediate superior—a native Sirdar. The latter referred me to the English Captain in charge of the lines, who had issued the prohibition order.

I have now received from the Madras Arsenal through the officer, a "standing pass" for Mrs. Booth and myself, also one for Preacher Soondram, and another for Bible-woman Arseervatham.

Let us pray for the Evangelistic work done in the Lascar lines.

E. A. B.

On the Master's Errand.

ONE sunny afternoon I travel to the Potters' village in a *jin-rick-shaw*. We have carried on Zenana work in this quarter for some years, which has steadily grown as the village has enlarged.

As I near the lane leading to the village, and meet our Bible-woman, Anbai, the *rickshaw* man informs me in a quaint mixture of Tamil and English that he is "rombo tired" (very tired), and as the road is rough, I get out to walk the remainder of the distance, and tell him he can sleep for two hours under a tree till I return. But his curiosity gets the better of his fatigue; he follows us, rattling his empty *rickshaw* over the stones.

We pick our way through rows of earthen pots, and take our stand before a tiny thatched hut. Two or three women appear from within, and we begin our talk with them, first on matters domestic, and then on matters spiritual. A few more women now arrive, and also two men, who stand a little distance off and jeer, provoking a smile from our listeners, but we try to keep their attention, and continue speaking. Our friend of the rickshaw, who has been squatting near by chewing his betel and nut, now rises to the occasion. Remonstrating in loud tones with the sneering men, he draws his rickshaw up under a tree and invites me to sit on the footboard, fearing I am "*rombo* tired." He then breaks a leafy branch off the tree, with which to shield my eyes from the oblique rays of the sun.

We thank him for his kind attentions, and continue our talk a few moments longer, and then move on. To my joy, I find that in this little village six women are learning to read from our Bible-woman, two of whom can read the Scriptures and possess Gospel portions.

We stop before a house which brings many memories. We now have quite a crowd of listeners; they press around us as we sit in the little dark hut, shutting out both light and air. Ah! how well we remember a day long ago, when a poor old dying woman told us in this very hut that she believed on the

Lord Jesus. Our hearers now remember it, too—"You used to come here and tell an old woman about '*Eyasu Christu*' (Jesus Christ), they say, "and she believed what you told her." "Believed what *He* told her," we say, and they too listen as she did to the story of His love.

It is simple reading, the "daily round" of a Missionary's life, but into that day had come one gleam of joy at the remembrance of her who heard and believed.

We come away tired but happy, and because of that one who had left a heathen home for "the Glory Land," we leave the spoken message trustfully, prayerfully with Him.

WINIFRED BOOTH.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Encouragement from High Wycombe.

THE sisters here at "Zion" are interesting themselves in the L.Z.A. About twenty boxes have been given out, including one which has travelled to India, our dear sister, Mrs. Morling, having sent for one, that she may add her "mite" with the rest.

A Prayer Circle has also been formed, and the first meeting was held on Tuesday evening, March 26th, at the home of one of the sisters, who had been chosen President. The meeting commenced with the hymn—

"Spirit Divine, attend our prayers,
And make this house Thy home,"

and a sister led us to the Throne of Grace. The President then made a few encouraging remarks on united prayer, giving instances of remarkable answers from the Scriptures, as also from our own experience at "Zion," and reminding us of the promise, "Before they call I will answer; and while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Isa. lxv. 24). While special united prayer is being offered for a Lady Missionary, doubtless God is already training one in the schools of providence and of grace, and will call her to the work in His own good time. Several others afterwards engaged in prayer, and it was felt that a spirit of unity characterised the meeting throughout.

It has been agreed to hold a similar meeting the last Tuesday in every month, and we hope the Lord will send showers of blessing in answer to the united prayers of the sisters wherever they may meet.

Subjects of Prayer.

IN a letter received from Mrs. Booth, in kind response to the request of some of our sisters, she suggested the following

subjects of prayer during April, viz.: First, second and third weeks, "The New Sphere of Work and the New Chapel and Bungalow in Madras"; fourth week, "That the Holy Spirit's power may rest upon the Missionaries." "We want to realise," she says, "such close communion and touch with God that others may 'take knowledge of us that we have been with Jesus'. . . . We feel *this* must be the beginning and end and centre of all our prayers. O may He speak, not only through our lips, but through our lives, and keep us humble and watchful as He works through us." These suggestions reached us just too late for the April number, but our friends might perhaps adopt them for May.

Our sisters will hear, with a sympathy that finds expression in prayer, of the weak condition of Mrs. Booth's health. Writing about the middle of March, she says in a private letter, "I am getting about again, but strength seems to come very slowly. . . . This has been a great disappointment, especially as I have had to give up Zenana visiting for the past month."

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

The Half-Yearly Meeting.

WE anticipated meetings full of praise at Gurney Road, Stratford, on the 9th of April, and we were not disappointed, for our Lord not only gave us large and happy gatherings but completed His gracious restoration of the money lost in October to the last penny. As our President said in the evening, it seems as if, after the loss of all the money we had toiled for, God had said, "Now see what I will do"; and, in view of what He had done, we were in a frame of "chastened gratitude."

The Strict Baptist Mission was cordially welcomed by Pastor H. D. Tooke on behalf of the Church at Gurney Road and, after a devotional service conducted by our Vice-president, in which several brethern led the congregation in prayer, Pastor O. S. Dolbey, of the Surrey Tabernable, preached from Mark iii. 8: "A great multitude when they had heard what great things He had done came unto Him." The sermon was full of "solid truths that we can live and die upon," and the preacher regarded the historic fact in a prophetic light—"a great multitude *shall come* unto Him."

At the evening meeting the President appealed to the Churches represented in the meeting to support and extend the circulation of the HERALD so that it might not be a burden upon the Society, but rather a help. With this object he asked that each Church should appoint someone, if they had not already done so, for the sale of the Magazine.

A warm and stimulating speech, which brought one into close touch with Indian Mission work, was made by Pastor R. W. Murrell, of Tunstall, Suffolk. Genially describing his first meeting with Mr. Booth two years ago, he said that Indian memories were then revived; for he had once lived in India for a time, and it was in an Indian bazaar that he heard the Gospel preached by a Missionary and was saved. Now his soul was

stirred towards all men, and India came very close to his heart. The Master had tied him down here or he would go himself to-morrow ; but as he could not do this, he would stir others as much as lay in his power. Gratitude for one's own salvation was one of the grand motives for missionary work. Mr. Murrell said that although his Church largely consisted of people whose wages were 12s. to 14s. a week, they had raised about £8 in one year for the Mission, and he and the Church were the better for it. His description of the manner in which Satan had tempted him to believe that he would suffer in pocket, and his declaration of the fact that he had received more rather than less, was an education in mission-faith to us all. May we all follow his example—"I pray for this work and *believe* for it."

Pastor G. F. Staddon, of Aylesbury, was heard with warm interest on this the first occasion, as he said, of his appearance on a Strict Baptist Missionary platform in London, and we felt that his heart was in the right place. He expressed the conviction that a Church was "alive" when her sympathies went out to others, and, quoting Paul's words to the Ephesians, "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think," &c., said, "Since He has done more for us than we could ask or think, let us give Him all the praise and go and do more for Him than we have done."

Mr. A. J. Burrage, of Dacre Park, Lee, who has been ordered to Canada for his health, having been earnestly commended to the Lord in prayer by Mr. A. J. Robbins,

Mr. J. M. Braud, missionary-elect, spoke on the Infilling of the Holy Spirit, which, he said, was necessary to the operation in us of the two missionary motives of obedience to Christ and pity and love for the heathen, and would result in an outflow of service. Our Lord's command was solid foundation for our work. Emotion might deceive us and enthusiasm sometimes died down. We must then fall back upon the motive of obedience. And in order that our pity and love might operate we needed to get aside into some quiet place and realise the great mass of human sadness and sorrow which existed.

Mr. Chisnall characteristically urged the friends present to button-hole their Pastors and persuade them to go to the Pastors' Conference on May 10th.

Brethren Dolbey and Tooke spoke earnestly and well. The collections (for the General Fund) amounted to £15 15s. 9d. ; and gifts and promises to the Emergency Fund brought the proceeds of the day's meetings to £43 9s. 10d. We praise God and heartily thank our friends at Gurney Road.

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Cambridge, Eden.—On Good Friday, March 29th, a Service of Song, entitled "The Victories of Faith," was held as an expression of practical sympathy with our dear friends and missionaries in Madras in their personal losses through the Bank failure. One hundred and thirty friends sat down to tea, and a larger number were present at the service, which was much enjoyed. The proceeds of the tea and the collection were to be sent to our missionaries for their personal use.

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NOTICE.—Brighton, Prarthana Sabha.—The half-yearly meeting will be held (D.V.) on Thursday, May 2nd, at the Lecture Hall, Y.M.C.A., at 7.30. Mr. Colls will address the meeting and the Chair will be taken by the President, Mr. F. Cozens. Local speakers will also address the meeting.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

DEAR FRIENDS,—Mr. Brand, at the recent meeting of the Young People's Conference, spoke of this section of our Magazine as "an open page, and the most suitable medium for the ventilation of any suggestion or new idea in regard to Mission Work," and our new Missionary also expressed his hope that our young people would use it.

Now we do not intend to give you "a little preach" from those words as our text, but we would rather emphasize them by what an old lady called "a practical imbullustration."

We take it that you all are greatly interested in Missionary enterprise, and that you all possess some of the leading biographies of the great Missionaries. We also believe that you have been greatly impressed and quickened as you have read the lives of such men as Carey, Henry Martyn, Moffatt, Gilmour, John Paton, and Griffith John.

Very well, then; now let us invite you to send for insertion occasionally in this page what you consider some of the most signal secrets of the success of any one of these or of other Missionaries, and illustrate your idea with extracts from their biographies. We will give you one just to show what we mean.

What does Griffith John say about his own discovered secret? Here are his words: "I was eight years old when I joined the Church. I preached my first sermon when I was fourteen, and yet I was a Missionary for twenty years before I had a full vision of Christ as our ever-present Saviour from sin. *This vision of Christ is absolutely necessary for success.* I want to feel that 'all the currents of my soul are interfused in one channel, deep and wide, and all flowing towards the heart of Christ.' I hardly begin to know what treasures there are for us in Christ. It seems to me that every one of us might be spiritually and ought to be unspeakably mightier than we are. It is the Holy Ghost in us that is everything, and the Father is willing to bestow Him upon the weakest if he will but ask in the spirit of implicit faith and entire self-surrender. My cry these days is for a Pentecost, first on myself and my Missionary brethren, and then on the native Church, and then on the heathen at large."

God bless you all with such desires, dear young friends, and "showers of blessing" will certainly come upon our home Churches and our foreign field.

Much love

From yours heartily,

L. H. C.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—I hope you have all learned the three texts in Acts and that you are busy finding out what you can about our Missionary Society ready to tell me by May 10th, as I asked you last month. I shall be expecting your letters and will let you know who has given the best answer. So you must do your best.

One of you sent me a little story last month, and I should be glad if you would all send me one next month. Search the missionary books at home or in your Sunday School library, or ask your friends to tell you one, and then send it to me by June 10th. Vicky's story was about a little boy who put a penny of his own into the collection as well as the one his mother had given him. The minister was asking for £50, and when he heard afterwards about the penny he told the boy that if he had not given it the collection would have been short, which was quite true, of course. Always remember that it is true of collections, as of other things, that pence make shillings and shillings make pounds.

This little story about a collection reminds me that at the Half-yearly Meeting held last Tuesday, April 9th, very nearly all our Mission money which was lost in the Bank failure last October was given back to us by God for His work among the heathen. None of us can fully understand why He allowed the loss to occur, but we *can* understand that the money which has been coming back to us during the last six months has come from Him and we can understand how good it is of Him. It has not come from the Bank, but from the hearts and pockets of those who love Him and are sorry for the heathen, and because he has moved these dear friends to do it.

You were not at the Meeting. It would have been very nice if you could have been, especially when we sang—

"And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His Name."

Perhaps some day we may have a *Children's* Missionary Meeting. I should like it and I am sure you would. If it seems unlikely, pray about it.

Shall I tell you what has put this into my mind? Well, at the meeting one of the speakers, Mr. Murrell, of Tunstall, was telling us of the interest his Church was taking in the Mission, when he remembered the HERALD, and said "The dear little HERALD is floating about; wherever you go you will find it, and they tell me the gipsies have it." And then he remembered the children and told us what they were doing in his Sunday School for it. He said to them the other Sunday, "Put up your hands, little ones, and tell me how many will take the MISSION HERALD." "Their little hands went up everywhere; and I have made up my mind," said Mr. Murrell, "to take back at least a score for the children." I should think some of those Tunstall boys and girls would come into our Corner soon, shouldn't you? And I hope all our Sunday Schools will show the same interest.

But there is no more room. Good-bye, dear children, for another month. May Jesus take care of you every day and greatly bless you. Send your letters to Uncle John, c/o Pastor L. H. Colls, Western Road, Tring.

Your affectionate, UNCLE JOHN.

OLD REPORTS.—If any friends have old Reports of The Strict Baptist Mission from 1860 onwards which they can spare, our General Secretary would very gratefully receive them.

Prayer Cycle for May.

"THERE are people that put prayer first, and group the other items in life's schedule around and after prayer. These are the people to-day who are doing the most for God in winning souls, in solving problems, in awakening Churches, in supplying both men and money for mission posts; in keeping fresh and strong these lives far off in sacrificial service on the foreign field where the thickest fighting is going on; in keeping the old earth sweet awhile longer."

—*Quiet Talks on Prayer.* By S. D. Gordon.

"*Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving.*"

1	W	Special praise for the good hand of our God in the Half Yearly
2	Th	For the new station at Pursawalkam. [Meeting.
3	F	That the Tamil booklet may be greatly blessed.
4	S	Earnest prayer for the children of the Choolai Schools.
5	S	That we at home may wrestle more earnestly in prayer.
6	M	Special prayer for the anxious enquirer mentioned on page 41.
7	T	For Divine guidance in selecting the new field.
8	W	That Mr. Booth may be encouraged in his work.
9	Th	For Authelatchmi, that the chains may soon be broken.
10	F	Earnest prayer for guidance and blessing in to-day's Conference.
11	S	For Bible-woman Jeevamoney in Sembarambakkam.
12	S	Special prayer for two native workers at Kollattur.
13	M	For Mr. Brand in training.
14	T	Earnest intercession for a lady missionary.
15	W	For Mrs. Booth.
16	Th	That the HERALD may become a financial help to the Mission.
17	F	Special prayer for the Home Committee.
18	S	For "The Children's Corner" in the Magazine.
19	S	That the seed sown to-day may bring forth abundant fruit.
20	M	For Mrs. Morling and native helpers.
21	T	For preacher Dyriam.
22	W	That the desires of our co-workers abroad may be granted.
23	Th	For the General Secretary in arranging the Deputation Work.
24	F	For Mr. Morling.
25	S	For Bible-woman Christiana.
26	S	For all workers among the children.
27	M	Praise for answers to prayer.
28	T	That the L.Z.A. may be a blessing to many Churches.
29	W	For the children attending the Periyamettu School.
30	Th	For other Societies working among the women of India.
31	F	For preacher Soondram.

ALICE APPLEGATE.

The late Mr. I. R. Wakelin.

WE express our warm sympathy with the family and relatives of our friend and brother Mr. I. R. Wakelin, who was removed to higher service on March 27th last. The funeral took place at Highgate Cemetery, when Mr. R. E. Sears (ex-President of the Strict Baptist Mission) and Mr. J. Easter (our dear friend's Pastor) officiated. Among the large number of friends and sympathisers present there were Mr. E. Mitchell, Mr. W. Chisnall, President and General Secretary respectively of the Strict Baptist Mission, and several members of the Committee.

MR. J. M. BRAND,

our new Missionary, at present studying at Livingstone College, is now free to supply Churches in or near London as S.B.M. deputation. From August to the time of his leaving for India he will be free to supply anywhere in the provinces also. As the period is so limited, and it is very desirable that as many Churches as possible should see and hear our brother before he sails for Madras, *dates should be arranged without delay by writing to the General Secretary.*

THE HERALD

seeks the earnest co-operation of every reader in its effort *to become self-supporting this year.* With its increasing circulation, we are hopeful that it may even become *a direct financial help* to the funds of the Mission. This may easily be an accomplished fact if *all* our readers *will pay for their copies and endeavour to increase the sale.* Heartiest thanks are given to the many friends who are already earnestly helping in this direction.

NOTICES.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS for the HERALD should be sent to the EDITOR, Pastor L. H. Colls, Framsden House, Western Road, Tring, by the 10th of each month, *at latest.*

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ALL APPLICATIONS for LADIES' ZENANA AUXILIARY Collecting Boxes to be sent to Mrs. Silvester, 9, Gallia Road, Highbury, London, N., who will be glad to receive the names of ladies willing to act as ZENANA SECRETARIES.

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PATTERNS of clothing for the next Christmas Box may be obtained of Mrs. C. C. Harris, "Nethania," Cavendish Road, St. John's Wood, London, N.W.

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WILL our friends kindly add Mr., Mrs., or Miss to their signatures, and, if necessary, give the name of the Churches they represent?

LOBBY CARDS.—If any of our Churches have not received the new Lobby Cards, copies will be sent on application to General Secretary.

Subscriptions received from Mar. 11th to April 13th, 1907.

Emergency Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. J. T. Allder ...	1	0	0
Chelmsford	7	0	0
Madras—Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Booth... ...	50	0	0
Readers of "The Christian"	2	12	6
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M.	0	15	0
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Miss L. Chapman ...	1	0	0
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Friends in Country, per Mr. Sapey ...	0	7	0
Aylesbury — Easter Offering	1	10	6
Mr. F. B. Applegate	1	1	0
Billy Bray	2	2	0
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Mr. F. Chaplin ...	0	7	6
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Mrs. Martin	0	5	0
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Miss Chilvers ...	1	1	0
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Per Mr. Chisnall ...	0	11	7

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	£	s.	d.
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Master J. R. Hedges	0	8	1½
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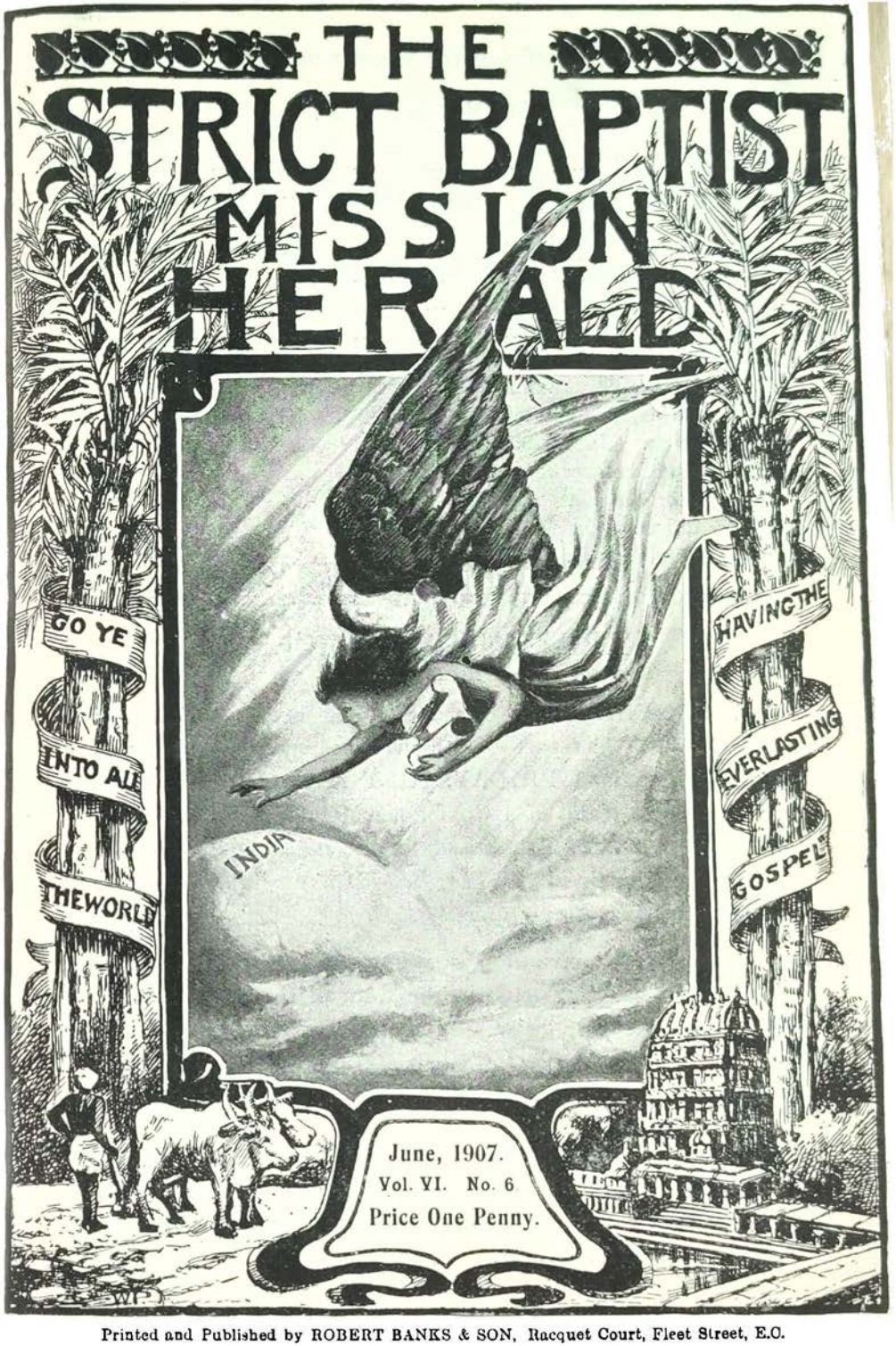
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PRELIMINARY NOTICES.

THE CONFERENCE of PASTORS held at Soho on May 10th last (a report of which appears on page 68) was ADJOURNED to FRIDAY, JULY 12TH, at 7 p.m., when it will take the form of a Conference of PASTORS, MINISTERS, DEACONS, and S.S. SUPERINTENDENTS and TEACHERS. The subject will again be *"The Best Means of Increasing the Missionary Spirit in our Churches."*

A very cordial invitation is given to all Ministers, Deacons, and S.S. workers interested in the work of the Strict Baptist Mission to take part in the Conference.

W. CHISNALL, Hon. Sec.

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The ANNUAL MEETING will (D.V.) be held on Tuesday, OCTOBER 22ND. Full particulars will be given in due course, but this early announcement will enable our subscribers to RESERVE THE DATE.

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CURRENT NOTES.

OUR Missionaries have escaped from the heat of Madras and are now at Coonoor, on the Nilgiri Hills. After the strain and effort of the past six months, to say nothing of the enervating temperature, the rest must be much needed, and the spiritual refreshment which is also available will be very welcome.

Let us "put the Lord in remembrance" of them, so that all the fresh influences, natural and spiritual, which they are enjoying may co-operate to their fullest recreation for further "labour in the Lord."

Mr. Morling will be inspecting, if not actually entering, the new field the first or second week in June. We hope soon to present fuller particulars. Meanwhile, we bespeak earnest prayer that the Lord may guide, protect, help and use him.

At the same time, the importance of Madras as the base of our operations must not be forgotten. The work is branching out among Lascars, native railway-workmen and young Hindus, whom Mr. Booth is making special efforts to reach. It is for us to sustain his spiritual and physical vigour by prayer. We commend his Paper on page 65 to the careful consideration of our readers.

So much has been given to us in answer to prayer that we must go on praying with greater expectancy for the Chapel site in Madras and for a lady Missionary. God is able to give us much more than these, and praise should mingle with our prayers.

"THY KINGDOM COME."

"AFTER this manner pray ye," said our Lord to His disciples. In teaching them to pray, He not only laid down the lines of true, successful prayer, but also revealed the programme of divine purpose. In this programme, the progress of the Kingdom includes within its immense sweep all the interests of every son of the Kingdom, and therefore we are taught to place this petition in the fore-front of our prayers.

This prominence of the petition is a reflection of the position which the Kingdom occupies in our Master's mind and ought to occupy in our own. For it He lived, laboured, suffered, died, and now prays; so that in saying, "After this manner pray ye," He graciously draws us into fellowship with Himself and His imperial purpose.

The purport of the prayer is that the Kingdom may grow in extent until the ancient promise is fulfilled, and the heathen become our Lord's inheritance, and "the uttermost parts of the earth His possession"; that its power may increase in ourselves and all believers until it fully controls, possesses, and uses us; and that all God's future purposes may be accomplished—Satan subjugated, all things restored, and the Kingdom fully manifested and triumphant.

Our King thus confers upon us the privilege of participating in the progress of His reigning power, a privilege which we should constantly exercise if we realised its greatness. And the honour carries with it authority and power, which we may not only exert in defence against all disheartening appearances, all depressing moods, all conscious weakness, and all Satanic temptation, but with which we may "turn the battle to the gate."

The petition is, indeed, a promise of success. As we seek on the knee to win the kingdoms of this world for our Lord and His Christ, we are assured that the victorious power of the cross attends our obedient prayer, and will certainly fulfil the fervent desires which our Lord has created in us for the gracious conquest of human hearts.

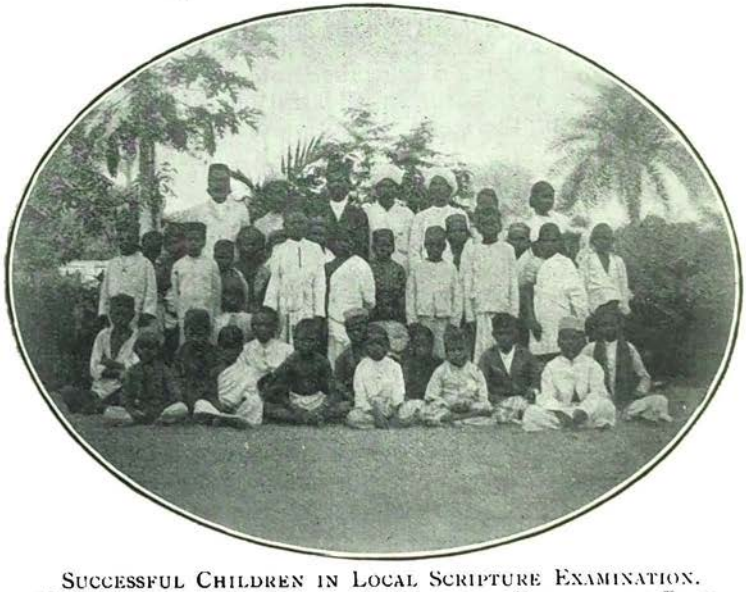
But let us never forget that this prayer-lesson is full of imperative force. It is the Master's command as well as His teaching; and in our loyal, loving response we shall discover one of the traits of discipleship. Moreover, we shall find that obedience to this law of prayer brings the power of the Kingdom into fuller operation upon ourselves, so that our spiritual life is fostered and our power for every sphere of service increased, as we pray for our Lord's supremacy.

Let us, therefore, pray in obedient, longing, importunate faith, assured that even in India, "where Satan's seat is," and where the frowning battlements of Hinduism seem to mock our prayers and to bid defiance to our Lord, His Kingdom shall come.

Our Foreign Field.

Successful School Work.

SCRIPTURE teaching is the speciality in all our schools, a Catechism and a Life of Christ being taught for two hours every day. The Catechism was prepared by Mr. Hutchinson while he was in India, and is well graded according to classes. We have good reason for believing that the Holy Spirit is using this instruction for dealing a heavy blow to idolatry in the homes of our scholars.



SUCCESSFUL CHILDREN IN LOCAL SCRIPTURE EXAMINATION.
TEACHERS AND MRS. MORLING'S AYAH AND BABY AT THE BACK.

Last month we held a Scripture test for the advanced pupils in the village schools. Four subjects were chosen for preparation, *i.e.*, The early part of the Life of Christ, The Sermon on the Mount, The Three Parables in Luke xv., and The Death and Resurrection of our Lord. Three catechists were appointed to act as examiners. Some of the answers given by the boys in the new Sembarambakkam school were very pleasing.

A few days afterwards the successful candidates came to our bungalow and received prizes according to merit. Both teachers and scholars returned home with light hearts, feeling well repaid for their exertions.

D. MORLING.

Extracts From My Diary.

DURING the month of March, the average attendance in our village schools was 227 on week-days and 211 on Sundays. These are the highest figures yet reached in the country stations.

The sum of Rs.275 6a. 3p. has been received as Government Grant for the village schools. This is the first time that Grant has been given for the work at Kollattoor and Ayanapuram Cheri.

Preacher-Teacher Shadrach, who had laboured for a number of years at Nadakarai and Arambakkam, has been superseded by J. Daniel. On account of family sickness and other difficulties he was desirous of moving into the City.

Last Wednesday morning, at 6.30, Preacher Doraiswami, our new agent at Sembarambakkam, and I, held open air preaching at the Perambur Railway workshops. Doraiswami drew an excellent lesson from the fact that every one of his hearers held a ticket in his hand which it was necessary for him to show before gaining admittance into the yard. Our new catechist is often very apt in his illustrations, and generally successful in securing the steady attention of his audience.—D. M.

Madras Brevities.

ANOTHER Bible woman, Christiana, has been added to our City staff. She is working among the women who live near our new school at Pursawalkam. The L.Z.A. Lady Missionary will find a lot of work awaiting her.

We have deep cause for gratitude to God that He has answered prayer regarding the New Field and the Mission Bungalow.

The question of the site for the Chapel is still an unsolved problem, but we are looking *up* as well as around. He who has solved two of our problems during the past month will not fail us regarding this. Let us pray for the site where He will bless the preaching of the New Testament Gospel to the conversion of sinners.

I am conducting a Theology Class for our City workers. We meet monthly, and after each lesson I set questions to which they send in written answers. I have promised a prize for the one who does best, and shall give more than one in order to encourage the others. Just now we are studying the Being and Attributes of God—in Tamil, of course.

Heartiest thanks to the friend who recently sent 500 Grimke Tamil Text Cards. Also to the dear friend who so regularly sends the Sunday School Lesson Picture Roll.

At the middle of April, Mr. Morling handed over charge of the village stations to me. They are "in good going order" and have benefitted by the more constant supervision which the division of labour permitted.

During the sultry month of June, with the thermometer bobbing above and not often much below 100° in the shade, our preachers, Zenana workers and teachers will enjoy their annual leave, and we hope to be recuperating on the Nilgiri Hills.

Preacher Dyriam, who was on the sick-list recently, is now better and doing his work, but he has scarcely been the same man since he lost his wife—Bible-woman Mary. E. A. BOOTH.

The City of Madras.

I WANT our friends to get the City of Madras into their minds and on their hearts, for then it will surely find a constant place in their prayers. Madras needs your prayers. During the past ten years, whilst the proportion of Christians has increased in other districts, it has remained stationary in Madras. Pray for Madras.

Madras is sometimes called "the city of distances," because it is spread over an area of twenty-seven square miles. It has a native population of nearly 500,000; of these only 6,765 profess the Protestant faith. In this number are included all the men, women and children, who in *any* sense at all can be said to belong to the Protestant religion.

The Roman Catholics are strongly represented in Madras. They have a Cathedral, numerous churches, a convent, and schools of various grades. They have also an Archbishop, two Bishops, and a great number of priests and nuns. Compromising as they do on the vital questions of idolatry and caste, the Roman Catholics are a hindrance to Evangelical work here in a far more serious way than they are in countries nominally Christian.

Madras is a city of opportunities. Here we have the choicest of the youth of South India. They come from all parts to study Arts, Medicine, Law or Engineering at one or other of the Colleges here. After completing their course, these young men go back to their homes in various parts of this great Presidency. This fact gives strategic importance to the position occupied by Christianity in this city. These men carry back to their towns and villages the impressions they form of the status of the Christian religion in the Presidency City. Without doubt these impressions largely mould their attitude for life towards Christianity and Missionary work.

Let us hark back to that great mass of nearly half a million. Think of their sin, ignorance, superstition, idolatry, sacrifices, gropings and despair. Grasp the significance of the fact that more than 300,000 of them above five years of age can neither read nor write.

Through our Missionaries, Evangelists, Zenana Workers and Teachers, we are reaching some of this great number with the Gospel message—a few thousands of them every month. We earnestly ask our home friends to join us in the prayer that

God the Holy Spirit will cause the seed to bring forth fruit to His glory. ERNEST A. BOOTH.

The S.B.M. Bungalow.

AFTER long-continued effort and various disappointments, it is with unfeigned gratitude that I record the fact that our prayers have been answered and a Mission House has been secured. The purchase was arranged and the earnest-money paid on the Tamil New Year's Day, Saturday, April 13th. A cablegram was sent to our dear friend the General Secretary, apprising him of the fact and requesting that the purchase money be remitted to Madras.

In searching for a house suitable for the Mission I felt restricted as to location, because it seemed so absolutely necessary that the Bungalow should be situated as nearly as possible in the centre of our sphere of operations, including both City and Village stations. The Bungalow we have purchased is next to the Toll Gate on the Madavakam road, along which we have to travel in order to reach all of our village stations except one. The situation of the Mission Bungalow, in view of the location of our various stations, could hardly be improved upon.

We are not able to enter into occupation immediately as the agreement with the present tenant has some few months to run ere it expires.

Before deciding upon purchase, I took the opinion of a Scotch engineer of wide experience in Government service. He kindly inspected the premises, and his advice was of great value. When we enter into full possession he will gladly make a more detailed examination and advise what alterations or extension should be made in order to adapt the house to our requirements.

E. A. BOOTH.

Farewell.

AT 4 p.m. on April 17th we all assembled to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Morling and their little son on their departure from Madras. Our Chapel at Vepery looked cheerful with green foliage and expectant little faces of the school children, and gay clothing of the women. During the meeting several hymns were sung by the school children present, and Psalm cxxi. was read by one of the Agents, which expressed our prayerful wishes for Mr. and Mrs. Morling. The Village Agents read and presented our friends with an Address full of hearty appreciation and goodwill, which was followed by a similar Address from the Town Agents. After the usual limes and garlands had been presented, those present said good-bye with a handshake or a salaam.

Our heart's best wishes and prayers follow them as they leave us. We shall miss their companionship and help, but we pray fervently that, in the new sphere to which God has called them, they may be made a great blessing to those who sit in darkness. WINIFRED BOOTH.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for June, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 2nd.—Special Prayer for Mr. and Mrs. Morling, as they prepare to enter their new field, that God may be their Sun and Shield and encompass them with His mercy.

Sunday, 9th.—Prayer for a L.Z.A. lady Missionary.

Sunday, 16th.—Praise to God for guiding us to the new field and the Mission Bungalow.

Sunday, 23rd.—Prayer for our new Bible-woman, Christiana, in the caste homes of Pursawalkam.

Sunday, 30th.—Prayer for little Authelatchmi, that the Saviour she loves may strengthen her heart and lighten her path.

"While They Are Yet Speaking."

PERHAPS the various L.Z.A. Circles will be inclined to adopt the above Prayer Subjects kindly sent by Mrs. Booth at our request. It would be cheering to both our sisters in India —to say nothing of our brethren—to know, week by week, that so many earnest, loving hearts were united in prayer for the same objects at the same time.

The following extracts from Mrs. Booth's letter, just received, will be read with interest and thankfulness, and will, we trust, prove a great stimulus to all our Prayer Circles :—

"You will notice I have made one week a 'Praise Week'; but this seems as necessary as prayer, for God has so wonderfully answered prayer with regard to the field and the Bungalow, that we must thank Him. These Prayer Circles are proving a great help to us. Miss Ellen Butcher sent us a prayer list they were following in Tring, and it was most remarkable how the prayers put up during three of the weeks were answered here during the three succeeding weeks! For instance, the week following the prayer about the new field a letter from . . . showed us clearly which place God meant us to occupy. . . . Up till then, our thoughts had been on another taluk. And then, the week following the prayer for a Bungalow, one was shown us, and the way to purchase made so plain, and all difficulties removed. The third instance was a prayer for Authelatchmi, and that 'secret disciples may have courage given them to confess Christ.' That very week Authelatchmi went round to our Teacher Bakkyam in tears twice, telling her how much she wants to be baptized, and that now she begins to feel it is her duty to confess Christ, whether her parents give their consent or not.

"These answers should not *surprise* us if our faith is of the right kind. Yet I have felt *awed*—shall I say?—to feel God so

near. 'While they are yet speaking I will hear' is His promise. Is it not wonderful? One look up, and the answer sent before we even knew that anyone had prayed!"

The Guildford Branch.

WE are glad to receive the following encouraging account of the Guildford Branch of the L.Z.A. from the Secretary, Miss E. Pickett:—

"Our Branch, though rather small, is a very hearty one. We have thirty boxes out at the present time, all taken by warm-hearted supporters of our Mission.

"On March 7th we held our first Prayer Circle Meeting, our dear Pastor's wife presiding. It will, I am sure, be long remembered by all of us, as, although both dear Mrs. Chisnall and the friends gathered round her were trembling and fearful, we had a very happy season, five dear sisters leading us sweetly to the throne with earnest petitions for rich blessing on our Mission.

"We have commenced a Working Party on rather uncommon lines. Gathering every Monday, we make garments for orders obtained from friends by our members, the money received for making same going to swell our Auxiliary Fund. Already we feel this is doing us good, as we talk together of all the way He is leading, and are thus able to sympathise with and encourage one another.

"Prayer subjects for each week are arranged at our Prayer Circle the first Monday in each month."

The Herald.

OUR Zenana friends are showing such prayerful earnestness and activity in their Auxiliary that we are sure we may confidently claim their co-operation on behalf of our Magazine; and we, therefore, ask them, as a part of their chosen work, to endeavour to increase its sale in their respective Churches.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

The First Conference of Pastors.

OUR Secretary's suggestion of a Pastors' Conference has already borne fruit, and the subject chosen for the first Conference at Soho on May 10th has amply justified itself. Among the suggestions made in the course of the discussion which followed the Paper was one which was immediately acted upon, and it was decided that another meeting should be held in which Deacons and Sunday School Superintendents and Secretaries should also be invited to take part. This Conference will be held at Soho on Friday, July 12th, at 7 o'clock. The subject will again be "The Best Means of Increasing the Missionary Spirit in Our Churches," and the same Paper will be read.

The following brethren were present :—President E. Mitchell (in the chair), Vice-President R. Mutimer, — Butcher, A. Cradduck, J. Easter, J. E. Flegg, H. Fowler, J. P. Goodenough. S. Hutchinson, E. Jeffs, T. Jones, J. Morling, A. J. Pardoe, senr., F. Parker, A. J. Robbins, R. E. Sears, and W. F. Waller. Messrs. H. D. Tooke and E. Rose wrote expressing regret at their unavoidable absence.

Mr. Hutchinson's Paper, after defining the Missionary spirit, showed that its existence was essential to the health and vigour of a Church, and that where it existed it must of necessity be increased, or the vigour of the Church would decline. The Pastor's duty in seeking to increase this spirit was emphasized, his lines of procedure laid down, and various definite suggestions offered.

Mr. J. E. Flegg, in opening the discussion, expressed his agreement with the principles expressed in the Paper and made an additional suggestion—viz., that district meetings of Sunday Schools should be held (two or three Schools combining in a Missionary meeting) on Sunday afternoons or during the week. He moved a vote of thanks for the Paper. This was warmly seconded by Mr. R. E. Sears and carried.

Mr. Easter was glad that the fact had been emphasized that the Pastor should not only feed the Church of God but evangelize, and went on to describe his own monthly Missionary prayer-meeting.

Mr. W. F. Waller referred to the necessary co-operation of the Deacons of our Churches with the Pastors in increasing the Missionary spirit, and, with regard to our Sunday Schools, suggested examination papers and prizes.

Mr. Josiah Morling laid emphasis on the fact that more knowledge of Missionary work was necessary on the part of our people. If this was increased, their sympathy would increase. He confirmed from his own personal experience the fact stated in the Paper—that children can be interested in Missionary work—and expressed his pleasure that the STRICT BAPTIST MISSION HERALD was being distributed among the children at a halfpenny. If we can get hold of the children, he said, we shall get hold of the parents through them.

Mr. Chisnall, our indefatigable Secretary, to whom the inception of the Conference is due, expressed his appreciation, and agreed that the question of Missionary literature for distribution was one which would have to engage our attention. He hoped that the result of this Conference would be a growth of Missionary enthusiasm, which would lead us into the great fields which were white unto harvest.

Mr. Fowler, while agreeing with the Paper as far as it went, would have liked the difficult question of Pastorless Churches and the methods to be adopted by Ministers who were not Pastors to have been dealt with.

Mr. A. J. Robbins spoke on the relation of Home to Foreign Missionary work and expressed his conviction that more Home Mission work—such as open-air services and slum-visiting—would foster Foreign Missionary work. It was then moved and seconded by Brethren Sears and Mutimer, and carried unanimously, that a further Conference on the same subject, including Deacons, Superintendents and Teachers, as well as Pastors, be held as above stated. It is earnestly hoped that this will be widely responded to and that the Conference of July 12th will be largely attended.

CORRECTION.—A discrepancy appeared in the May Number between "Current Notes" and the Report of the Half-yearly Meeting. The latter, by an oversight, stated the loss to have been made up "to the last penny," instead of "nearly."

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

DEAR MR. COLLS,—It has occurred to me that you might be interested to hear of an incident in connection with the Annual Report of our Strict Baptist Mission work which I was pleased to meet with during the Easter holidays.

Cycling one day among some of the pretty Suffolk villages, I came across a gipsies' wigwam. Having previously heard that the inhabitants were all honest, Christian people, I accepted their invitation to examine the interior of their home. I had not been talking with them many minutes before the conversation turned upon "better things." They had all been, both men and women, to a service the previous evening held at a little chapel in their district; and, after telling me how much they enjoyed the same, they said, with regret, that they could not read for themselves, or they might know more about these things. I felt quite touched as I heard them talk. They are entirely dependent for their knowledge of the Saviour on the services of God's house and the kindness of a friend who occasionally goes to read to them; and the eagerness they showed for a fuller, deeper knowledge of the truth, I would that we could see in others of a different class.

One of the women, turning to me, said, "I have a little book here which Mrs. G—— has been in to read to me this week, and I have so enjoyed hearing about the work being done for the poor heathen." I at once recognised it as one of the copies of our last Annual Report. I was so pleased to see it there, and the woman was delighted as I read extracts and explained some of the pictures to her, and told her that I really knew Mr. and Mrs. Booth, whose portraits were there. I told her a little about their work, their holiday, and how, for the sake of the Gospel and the work they love so well, they were obliged to leave behind them their dear little son. I was surprised at the interest they showed in the Missionary work, and the pity they expressed for the heathen who, they felt, were so much worse off than themselves, for, they said, "They do not do better because they do not know better." I could not help thinking, Truly we know not the extent of the influence of even the account of our Missionaries' work. They told me the Report was given them by a gipsy from a neighbouring encampment.

With Christian regards, very sincerely yours,

E. S. F.

Southwold, April 2nd, 1907.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—Thank you for your letters answering my question in the April Number about our Missionaries and native Workers. The fullest answer comes from Ruth Waters, although she could not find the last Report. I am sending her a copy of it, and also to two other little correspondents for their answers. One of them tells me that she often had the pleasure of seeing Mr. and Mrs. Booth when they stayed at Lowestoft last year. Now, if I were to ask this question again directly after the next Report is printed in October, you would all have a good opportunity of trying; and if I hear from you that you would like it, I will do so, and perhaps I may offer a prize for the best answer.

I did not give you anything to do last month. Here is an easy Missionary Bible search for you this month. You know that Jesus' command to His disciples to go and preach the Gospel everywhere is called The Great Commission. It is found in several places in the New Testament. I want you to answer four questions about it, getting your answers from the passages opposite each question.

1. Where were the disciples to go? Mark xvi. 15; Matt. xxviii. 16; Acts i. 8.
2. What were they to do? Mark xvi. 15; Luke xxiv. 49; Matt. xxviii. 16; Acts i. 8; Matt. xxviii. 20.
3. Whom were they to go to? Mark xvi. 15.
4. Who promised to be with them? Matt. xxviii. 20.

You need not write the questions; only give their numbers, and your answers may be very short. Let me show you part of the first answer:—"1. Mark xvi. 15: Into all the world." I am sure you can all do this if you try. Let me have your answers by *June 10th*.

Ruth, whom I thank for her kind words about the "Corner," sends me a pretty little Missionary story:—"A little girl in a foreign land attended a Missionary School, where she learned to love Jesus. She was one day beaten by a fellow-pupil. She was asked, 'Did you beat her again?' She answered, 'No, I left that to God.'" Yes, I think it *was* a good answer. No other religion in the world teaches people to give such answers *and helps them to do it*. If we have that spirit ourselves, we shall shine brightly for Jesus—

"Like a little candle burning in the night."

Here is a story which I read a few days ago in a Missionary magazine of a little Hindu girl shining for Jesus in another way:—A man was sitting, years ago, reading and chanting Hindu poems in honour of Hindu gods. He was very dirty, but the people thought him a great and holy man. This little girl came from a house near and said to him, "Sir, what you are reading is not true." He was speechless with anger for a time and then said, "Not true! Who are you to speak to me like that? What do you know about God?" "There is only one God," said she; "not many gods, as you say." "How do you know?" "Because I learned it at school." She then gave him a little book which tells about Christ. He read it; God spoke to his heart and he became a Christian, threw away his idols, and was afterwards a minister for seventeen years, leading others to Christ. He died only four years ago. May *you* shine for Jesus by words and actions.

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

Prayer Cycle for June.

"O MAN of Calvary, teach us the meaning of Self-Sacrifice. Lead us to the foot of the Cross, and there help us to understand the Love which spends itself ungrudgingly on fallen humanity. We are too often like children clamouring our own small needs, oblivious of the wants of others. Open our eyes that we may see the sinning, suffering world as Thou dost see it. Touch our hearts that we may love more nearly as Thou dost Love—even to the utmost of self-giving. Amen."

"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving."

1	S	Earnest prayer for our new missionaries respecting the new Tamil
2	S	That all obstacles may be removed. [field.
3	M	That our brethren may realise God's keeping power (see page 51).
4	T	For the evangelistic work among the Lascars.
5	W	For Mrs. Booth and Bible-woman Arseervatham in this new
6	Th	Special prayer for a lady missionary. [sphere.
7	F	That the chains which bind the people of India may be snapped.
8	S	Praise that the seed sown is bearing fruit.
9	S	For all engaged in missionary work.
10	M	That others may be thrust out to tell the Gospel Story.
11	T	Special prayer for work in Madras.
12	W	That the spirit of prayer and unity may be realised in the erection
13	Th	Special prayer for Mrs. Booth. [of the new chapel.
14	F	That the new chapel may be the birthplace of anxious souls.
15	S	For little Bobbie in England.
16	S	That the Teachers in the schools may be soul-winners.
17	M	For Mr. Morling.
18	T	For Divine guidance in the Committee Meetings.
19	W	That the Magazine may be self-supporting.
20	Th	For Mrs. Morling in visiting the Zenana women.
21	F	Praise for sustaining grace.
22	S	For the extension of the L.Z.A.
23	S	That the Holy Spirit's power may rest upon the missionaries.
24	M	For a blessing on the Agents' Bible Class.
25	T	That our lives may witness for Him.
26	W	For Mr. Morling in the country districts.
27	Th	That the Churches at home may not delay extension work.
28	F	For Mr. Brand visiting the Churches.
29	S	For all native helpers.
30	S	Earnest prayer for those passing through deep waters.

ALICE APPLEGATE.

The Late Mr. James Mote.

AFTER a lengthened illness, the long and active life of our brother, Mr. James Mote, came to a close on April 20th, and he was called into the presence of his Lord, whom he had loved and served so many years. He had been associated with us on the Committee of the Strict Baptist Mission since the year 1893 and continued to attend its meetings, as increasing age and infirmity permitted, until the last, acting also as the solicitor of the Society. Having sought the kingdom on earth our dear friend and fellow-labourer is now serving the King in heaven; and, while we express our sincere condolence with his bereaved family, our desire is that they may be consoled by the thought of his present joy.

MR. J. M. BRAND,

our new Missionary, at present studying at Livingstone College, is now free to serve Churches in or near London *as S.B.M. deputation only.* From August to the beginning of December, when he leaves for India, he will be free to supply anywhere in the provinces also. As the period is so limited, and it is very desirable that as many Churches as possible should see and hear our brother before he sails for Madras, *dates should be arranged without delay by writing to the General Secretary.*

THE HERALD

seeks the earnest co-operation of every reader in its effort *to become self-supporting this year.* With its increasing circulation, we are hopeful that it may even become *a direct financial help* to the funds of the Mission. This may easily be an accomplished fact if *all* our readers *will pay for their copies and endeavour to increase the sale.* Heartiest thanks are given to the many friends who are already earnestly helping in this direction.

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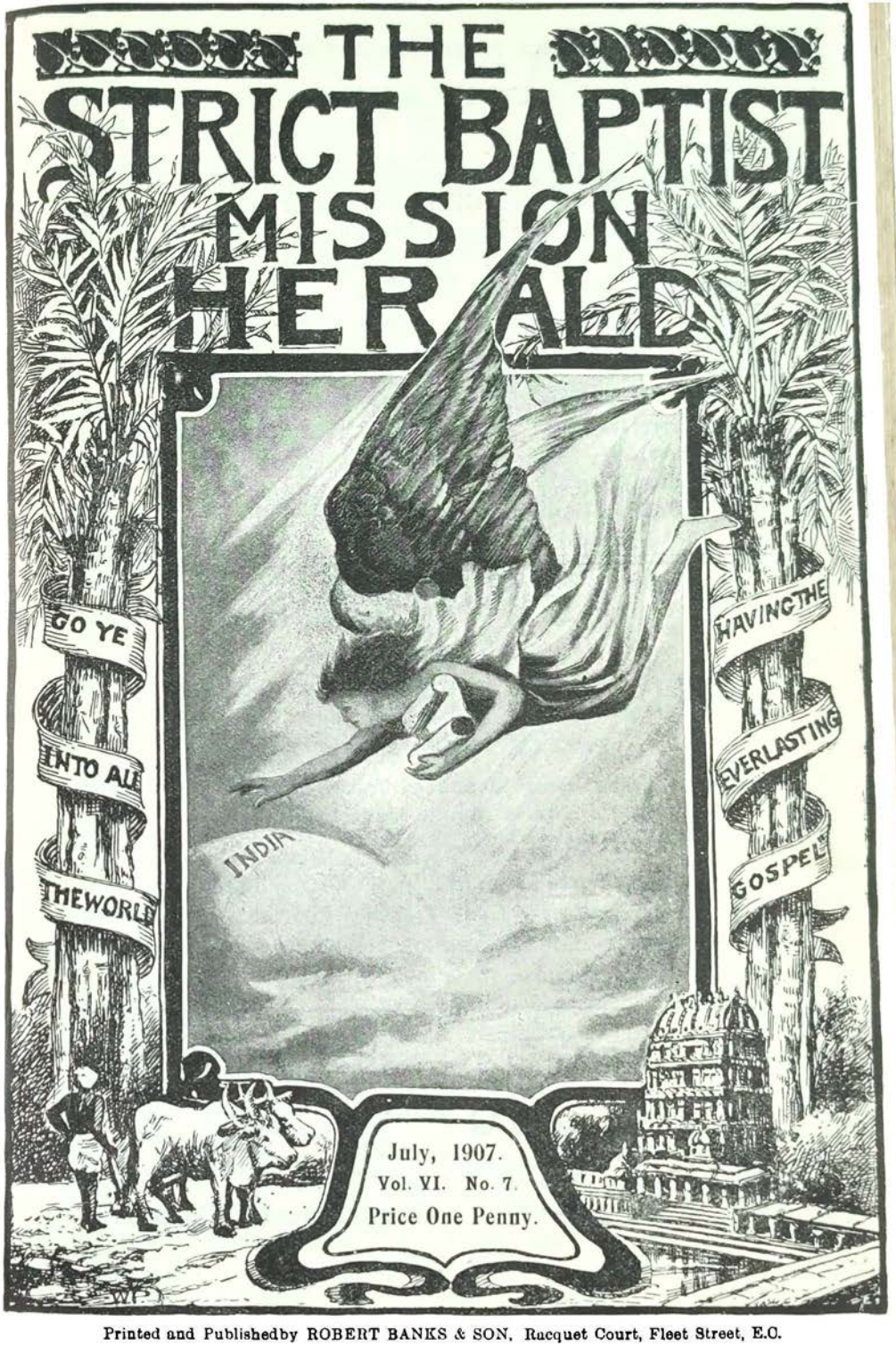
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"DEAR MR. ROBBINS,—I have sent herewith my Collecting Card for the S.B.M., with Postal Order for £1—not what I have collected, but things I have made with my own hands. . . . (Mrs.) R. CHARMAN, 'Holmbury,' 17, Ranelagh Road, Ealing, 5th April, 1907."

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WILL BE HELD (D.V.) AT

SOHO BAPTIST CHAPEL,

On FRIDAY, JULY 12th, at 7 p.m.

Subject: "The Best Means of Increasing the Missionary Spirit in our Churches."

All PASTORS, MINISTERS, DEACONS, and S. S. WORKERS (*including Lady Teachers*) interested in the work of THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION are heartily invited to take part in the Conference.

Tuesday,

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CURRENT NOTES.

THE unrest in India, although it is at present some hundreds of miles from Madras, ought to engage our prayerful attention. May God give wisdom to the Government of India, and over-rule all to the spread of His Gospel and the glory of His Name.

Plague is steadily increasing in the Punjab. At the beginning of May the rate of mortality had reached 54,000 per week. On all sides we may hear calls to prayer, if our ears are open and attentive.

The new field — Namakal, in the Salem district—specially appeals to us just now. It is the most needy portion of the Tamil field and its multitudes are "as sheep without a shepherd." May our brother, Mr. Morling, have the Master's guidance and guardian care in the fulfilment of His promise, "Lo, I am with you all the days."

Mr. and Mrs. Morling were obliged to return to the heat of Madras after only 12 days' sojourn on the hills, owing to the illness of their little child. The heat proved, however, to be a specific, and our friends' consolation for the break up of their holiday consists in the perfect restoration of the health of their dear boy.

We commend the Missionary Conference to the prayers of all our friends. The subject is very important, as it touches both the salvation of the heathen and the prosperity of our Churches at home. We trust a large number of Christian workers will be present.

"IT IS TIME, LORD, FOR THEE TO WORK."

CHRIST has ever had loyal souls upon whom the coming of His Kingdom has rested at times as a sacred burden. Whilst others have been at ease in Zion, their cry has gone up day and night, "Arise, O Lord, plead Thine own cause." The busier the enemy, and the more manifold his diabolical agencies, the more urgent and watchful God's true suppliants have ever been. "The tumult of those that rise up against Thee increaseth continually. *It is time for Thee to work.*"

There is nothing of mere peevishness or fleshly impetuosity about this cry, neither does it breathe the spirit of distrust in the power of the omnipotent, reigning Lord. On the contrary, it is just such an appeal as betokens a living fellowship with the glorified Christ, Who "rests not day nor night." With the ascended and interceding Lord there is profoundest calm blended with intensest action, and He inspires all who live near enough to Him with His own ceaseless energy. This energy is manifested in their echoing heart-cries and appeals to Him to make bare His arm. "It is time for Thee to work," for the hour is urgent and the conflict severe, and, for the most part, the Church sleeps. There is plenty of activity of a sort, but how little of spirituality! How languid and sluggish the life and love of many! But Spirit-filled souls cannot be content with such a condition They are deeply conscious of its perils and its dire hindrance to the Church's prosperity and the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom; and they often cry, "Lord, disturb this sleep of death."

But there is another and more hopeful interpretation of this earnest and soul-travailing appeal—"It is time, Lord, for Thee to work"—for this true prayer is but an echo of God's promise. "God's best answers are the echo of our prayers; and the sign of the approaching blessing is the extremity of our need and the urgency of our prayers; for He who is always with His Church strikes in with His help when the want is at its sorest."

Thank God that in our Churches, in the gatherings for prayer now organised increasingly by our lady helpers, there is laid upon loving hearts the burden of the Lord's work and of precious souls, and, in the spirit of wrestling, agonising prayer, they are crying unto Him, "It is time, Lord, for Thee to work." And this is our hope and our encouragement, for "The highest water-mark that the river in flood has ever reached will be reached and over-passed again, though to-day the waters may seem to have hopelessly subsided. Greater triumphs and deliverances shall crown the future than have signalised the past."

Our Foreign Field.

A Month's Summary.

FROM the following figures, our friends will be able to gauge the relative proportion of our City and Village work. In each instance the figures given are for the month of April.

Our Village preachers told the "Good News" 225 times, the total number of hearers being 4,450.

Our City preachers delivered 212 Gospel addresses, the audiences totalling 3,420.

Our Village Bible-women paid 396 visits to the heathen women in their homes and taught the simple truths of the Gospel.

Our City Bible-women paid 736 visits to the heathen women in their homes. In both instances there would be, on an average, 5 women in each house.

In our Village Schools we have 300 boys and girls on the Registers, and in our City Schools we have 350. These caste and non-caste children are all taught the Word of God every day.

City and Village alike both need the Gospel. Village and City are both included in the great command "Go ye into all the world." In City and in Village God has given us the privilege of serving Him. E. A. BOOTH.

A Glimpse of Darker India.

WE are on the eve of entering into a new sphere of Gospel labour. Perhaps by the time these lines meet the eye of the reader we shall have gone forward and penetrated into the regions beyond.

Not many days since, Brother Booth and I left the railway far behind us, and made a missionary tour into this Gospel-less country. How our hearts ached as we travelled from town to town, village to village, and saw the dire need of the land! Here, on a main road, is a settlement where the Good News has not been told out for years. There, by the wayside, scarce one of the inhabitants has any recollection of seeing an evangelist. Farther on, the people know not our meaning when we ask if they have heard of the "New Way," and on the long, blue hill-range to our left is a vast tract *where the missionary's feet have never trod.*

At the close of a long, sultry day we enter a town—the chief town of the Taluk. The low, dirty houses nestle round the foot of a huge rock that towers 500 feet high. Up its side winds a

serpentine path, with here and there a rest-house. On the top is the temple, the "divine" place, a veritable den of sin and shame. The unmentionable vices that form an essential part of its service have wrecked, and are now wrecking, thousands of men and women, boys and girls, in body and soul, and have laid this town, amidst its healthful and charming surroundings, in the depths of iniquity and won to it the unenviable name of Satan's Seat.

I might multiply instances and talk more plainly; but space and prudence forbid me. Do you imagine the lurid picture in Romans, or the odious vices in Corinthians to be ancient or dead? Nay, in this Gospel-less land, man for near 2,000 years has plunged yet more deeply into the foul abyss.

Gospel-less? Yes! Besides the 400 square miles and more where we hope to form the nucleus of our work, and where there is not a single Gospel worker, there is the key to an extensive range of hill-country, virgin soil, where the Gospel has never been heard.

Dear reader, pray that this waste of desolation, "bare and bleak as the mountain tops," may become the garden of the Lord. D. MORLING.

Sendamangalam.

THIS is the name of a town in the heart of the most needy portion of the whole of the vast Tamil country from a missionary point of view. It is the largest town in the Namakal Taluk. Sendamangalam has 13,500 inhabitants, the whole of whom are heathen except a mere handful who profess to be Roman Catholics.

This will be the centre of our new additional field, which will have an approximate area of 400 square miles with more than 150,000 inhabitants, among whom *ours will be the only Protestant Mission at work.*

Mr. Morling is anxious to go and live in Sendamangalam as soon as possible. He and I hope to pay another visit to the field in June. We shall then ascertain whether there is a suitable house which could be rented until a Mission Bungalow can be built.

Pray for Sendamangalam, and praise God for directing us to it. ERNEST A. BOOTH.

Our New Field—Things to Pray For.

I SHOULD be so glad if our dear friends of the L.Z.A. and Prayer Circles would kindly remember the following requests as they daily gather round the foot-stool of the King.

We are now making preparations for entering into a dark corner of the earth where the name of Jesus is unknown, and we feel that much prayer is needed—

For ourselves, that we may have sustaining grace in the midst of the conflict; That the untilled ground may be pre-

pared for the reception of the Seed; That direction may be given in determining the location for headquarters; For the means whereby we may build a bungalow; For guidance in the choice of Agents; That grace may be given to Agents working in a difficult sphere; And that ways may be opened for schools and Bible-women's work.

These, dear friends, are a few, and only a few, of the many things for which we desire your united prayers. We feel they are pressing needs, and we believe that our God, who has been so faithful in the past, will again appear for us and supply all our needs.

RUTH MORLING.

Bible-woman Christiana.



Photo by] CHRISTIANA. *[Mr. E. A. Booth.*

BIBLE-WOMAN CHRISTIANA was placed on our Mission Staff during March, and immediately started Zenana visiting in Pursawalkam, a neighbourhood hitherto untouched by our Bible-women. She now has admittance to several caste homes in this crowded locality, and is striving to enlarge her visiting list. In the short time she has been at work, she has met with considerable opposition, and her timid nature has shrunk from the rudeness and harsh language levelled at her. We have tried to comfort and encourage her, and we would here ask our friends to pray for gentle Christiana, who, we believe, sincerely loves the Lord, and is anxious to serve Him faithfully.

WINIFRED BOOTH.

THE MISSIONARY'S PRAYER.

"LORD, bring them home! and we will go
Forth at Thy blest command,
And save Thy weary sheep for Thee
In this wide stranger land.

But go Thou with us. Go before,
And keep Thy watch above;
Thy banished to the fold restore,
The fruit of deathless love."

ANNA SHIPTON.

Preacher Dyriam.

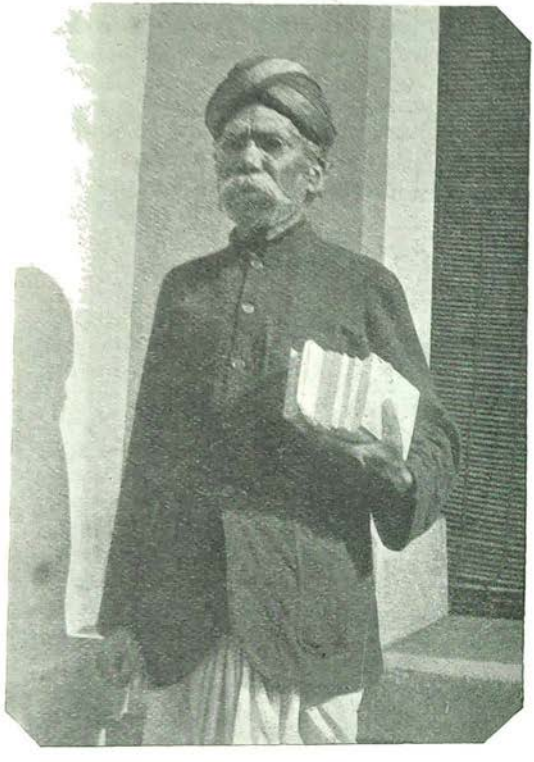


Photo by] PREACHER DYRIAM. *[Mr. E. A. Booth.*

DYRIAM was formerly in charge of our Sembarambakkam station. Upon the death of his wife (Bible-woman Mary) he was transferred, at his own request, to a town station, and has since been working in our Semmencheri circle.

He is a man of fine character, and a fearless open-air preacher. Last week when he was preaching close to our house, a Hindu opponent caused a disturbance. A policeman appeared on the scene, and, without enquiring into the matter, ordered the preacher to "move on." Dyriam quietly asserted that he had not caused the disturbance, and courageously stood his ground. Presently the opponent went away, and Dyriam resumed preaching.

E. A. B.

Bazaar Preaching.

WHAT varied scenes I look upon as I cycle my way to one of our preaching stations. Here is a man standing at the edge of a large pond skilfully throwing a great fishing net into the water. There, by the roadside, under a tree, a barber is busily engaged in haircutting and shaving. A little further there is a public water-tap, and women are bringing their brass or earthen water-pots of all sizes, chatting merrily as they wait their turn. On my right is the parade ground, and just beyond are the barracks. In front of one of the buildings a Sepoy is doing "sentry-go." Not far from him is the main gate, where I dismount to join our preacher Soondram.

Once again Soondram and I are singing together a Tamil lyric, which we have so often sung at this very spot, to a tune which, although so familiar to us, would sound strange indeed to our friends at home. The first line of the lyric runs—

"*Divinely sweeter than honey is the name of Jesus,*"

and, as we sing, the audience gathers. Presently the singing ceases, and I tell out in Tamil the grand Gospel message, "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." Hindus of various castes, and of no caste, stand together with Mohammedans, listening quietly to my words, giving an approving nod now and again as some point comes home to them. Soondram commences his address as soon as I have finished, using illustrations with which all are familiar. The crowd keeps together very well, but all the time some are leaving and others are joining.

After preaching again and distributing Tamil tracts, we leave the main road and make our way to a pariah settlement. We pass down a narrow path, having on one side a row of clay houses thatched with palm leaves, and on the other an evil-smelling, slime-covered pond. At a convenient place by the side of the pond we take our stand and commence singing, in the hope that we shall attract a crowd. Most of the men have gone away to work, but a few women and children gather to listen to the simple Gospel message which Soondram and I in turn speak. This completes our preaching for the morning, and I cycle my way to one of our schools.—E. A. B.

Young Men Only.

FOR some time I have been wondering how I might best reach the young men who live in our various stations. A fair number of them have passed through our Day and Sunday-schools, but after they go to work we lose sight of them altogether. They will not attend Chapel and they are generally away at work when we visit the stations for evangelistic purposes.

Our Semmencheri station seemed to offer the best opening for such an effort, and as I talked the matter over with Ponniah, who is the Headmaster of our School there, he became interested, and was finally able to arrange that the young men should meet after lamplight in our Semmencheri School. He then told me what he had done, and asked me to come and take the meeting. I gladly consented, although, I must confess, that I was somewhat dubious as to whether there would be any meeting to take.

On the evening arranged, I cycled to Semmencheri. In addition to a few school-boys, there were three or four young men present. Led by Ponniah, the boys sang two hymns very acceptably, and then departed. Young men came in slowly, *but they came.* I had not proceeded far with my talk before I could

count a score, and when the meeting closed twenty-three young men were present who could not have been reached through our ordinary services. They listened most attentively to an address on "Render to Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, and to God the things that are God's."

The experiment had exceeded my expectations, and rebuked my lack of faith. Before we parted, I assured them of my interest in their welfare, and asked them to look on me as their friend. I am hoping to be able to hold such meetings at regular intervals. E. A. B.

The Bank Failure.

AT the close of April a definite stage was reached in the Arbuthnot Insolvency case. The Insolvency Commissioner, after a very patient hearing, framed a series of charges which he called upon Sir George Arbuthnot to answer. The charges include fraudulent concealment of the state of affairs, keeping false accounts, and giving fraudulent preference to certain creditors.

When matters had reached this point, the Public Prosecutor, at the instance of Government, acting under instructions from the Secretary of State for India, instituted criminal proceedings against Sir George Arbuthnot. The charges in this case are (1) cheating, (2) criminal misappropriation, (3) criminal breach of trust. On these charges Sir George Arbuthnot has been arrested, and is now in custody. The case has been put down for hearing on May 15th. E. A. B.



GRINDING CURRY.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for July, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 7th.—Prayer for the Tamil Church at Vepery, that its members may shine for Jesus in this heathen city.

Sunday, 14th.—Prayer that God may still the unrest in India. "When He giveth quietness who then can make trouble?"

Sunday, 21st.—Prayer that all our workers may be inspired with fresh zeal, and spiritual power.

Sunday, 28th.—Prayer for special direction in commencing work in the new Sendamangalam field.

West Ham Tabernacle Branch.

THE members of the West Ham Branch of the L.Z.A. spent a very pleasant evening on Wednesday, 31st May. Mrs. Hutchinson kindly gave a most interesting address on the life of the women and children in India, showing us their great need of our prayers and helping us to realise some of the difficulties which our missionaries have to face.

Each one present was impressed more than ever with our great responsibility to our sisters abroad, and, we trust, determined to pray more earnestly for them. As a reminder, each member was supplied with a Pledge Card, on which are the words:—"I promise to pray, at least once every day, for the above Mission, its workers and converts."

Several sisters engaged in prayer, and three collecting boxes were taken, making in all fifteen in circulation.

Collecting Boxes.

To meet possible enquiries on the part of L.Z.A. Secretaries, we are asked to say that all L.Z.A. money should be sent to the Hon. Sec., Mrs. Silvester, 9, Gallia Road, Highbury, who will give receipts and keep separate accounts on behalf of the Auxiliary. The amounts of collecting boxes should reach her *not later* than the first week in September.

"Not because she [*i.e.*, the Hindu woman] is unspeakably miserable, but because she is unspeakably powerful, must she be won to the faith, if India is to be conquered for Christ.—IRENE PETRIE.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive brief Notices and Reports of forthcoming Missionary Services and Meetings.

Missionary Meetings.

Brighton Prarthana Sabha.—The Half-yearly Meeting of the above Society was held in the Assembly Hall, Y.M.C.A., on Thursday, May 2nd, a fairly good number of friends being present. Mr. F. Cozens presided and voiced the deep gratitude of all present for the goodness of our God in lifting the cloud under which we began the year, proposing that the Doxology should be sung.

After the reading of Scripture and prayer, Pastor J. Morling, of High Wycombe, was heard with warm interest as he told in few but forcible words of the appalling need of India.

Pastor L. H. Colls, of Tring, who followed, expressed his keen pleasure in being present. The warm, enthusiastic and splendid optimism of his address was felt by all. It came home to our hearts with the power of the Blessed Spirit, urging us to greater activity in the great cause which lies so near our hearts.

A good collection was realised, and the Doxology brought to a close a happy and profitable meeting. WALTER PARKHURST, Hon. Sec.

Acton Tabernacle.—Missionary meetings were held here on Tuesday, 28th May, when Mr. Hutchinson preached in the afternoon from Rom. x. 14, 15. At the Evening Meeting Mr. A. J. Robbins took the Chair, and said that the salvation of souls and the desire that those who confessed Christ should be high-level Christians ought to be the burden of our prayers; and if we could say "Amen" to Rom. xii. ("Present your bodies a living sacrifice"), a great change would come over our lives, our homes, and our Churches.

Mr. F. T. W. Bartlett based his remarks upon Christ's feeding the five thousand, speaking first of the hungry, helpless crowd; then of Jesus, His word and His work in supplying their wants; thirdly, of the inability of the disciples and their instrumentality in passing on that which was given to them. These points were all suitably adapted to mission work and workers.

Mr. H. Fowler spoke of Paul's experiences on the occasion of his visit to Athens. He was more occupied with the ignorance of the people than with the beautiful buildings which adorned the city. Paul seized the opportunity to preach Jesus and the resurrection when he found the altar inscribed "To the unknown God."

Mr. Hutchinson illustrated the need of mission work by a series of diagrams. It was never so much needed as at the present time, for there were more heathen in the world to day than a hundred years ago.

Mr. Chisnall said that the figures of the heathen world were startling, but they were not exaggerated. The Foreign Mission work, in addition to the good resulting in the foreign field, linked the Home Churches together and made them a greater power at home.

A collection was made for the Mission Funds and a pleasant and profitable evening closed with prayer by the Chairman.

E. H. SADLER.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

MY DEAR YOUNG FRIENDS,—The time will soon slip round when we shall have to say "Good-bye" to our new Missionary, Mr. J. M. Brand. It may be that many of you have only seen his photo in the Report, but have not seen or heard him for yourselves. Now, would you like to see and hear him? Perhaps you almost ejaculate "Yes!" as you read the question. Well, you won't tell him, will you, what I'm going to tell you? I want to tell you how to get hold of him—only you will have to let him go again.

We have had him at *Z*ion, Maynard Road, Walthamstow, lecturing on the "History of Missionary Effort in India," and those lectures have been most interesting and instructive—two good points together. They must have meant a lot of study to get together, and I feel it to be my pleasant duty to recommend to others what has been so enjoyable to us. Now I'm going to put you up to something. You may be saying, How can we get Mr. Brand to come and give us young people this lecture or lectures? If you haven't a Young People's Missionary Society, meeting every month, as we have, then just go to your Pastor or, if you have not a Pastor, to your Deacons (don't be afraid), and in just the nicest manner possible tell them you would so like to hear the lecture that is being given by Mr. Brand and recommended in the HERALD. I expect they will say, "So should we." Then, when Mr. Brand is in India, you will be so glad to think you were bold enough to ask. He will most likely tell you how we work our Y.P.M.S., and you might do the same. Perhaps we could help each other, as Bands of Hope do, by visiting each other and giving a missionary evening.

Now our esteemed Editor will think it time I stopped my suggestions, but before I come to the best stop of all, the "full stop," let me say again—the time will quickly pass away between now and saying "Good bye, Mr. Brand;" so get hold of him whilst you can by writing to Mr. Chisnall for him to come and give you his lecture. Wishing you the best of blessings, yours in His service,

E. ROSE.

"While vast continents are shrouded in almost utter darkness, and hundreds of millions suffer the horrors of heathenism or of Islam, the burden of proof lies upon you to show that the circumstances in which God has placed you were meant by Him to keep you out of the foreign mission field."—KEITH FALCONER.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—Your answers to the Bible questions are all very good. Only one answer was wrong. But some of you did not answer all the questions and some did not answer each reference. You have all searched your Bibles and taken great pains, but Arthur Dann, of Guildford, has given the most complete answer. We will have another Bible lesson soon; but this month I want you to tell me how you think you can help the Mission.

My first two letters this year, perhaps you will remember, spoke about *doing* something for the work of Jesus in India, and several things lead me to write about it again. Two of my nieces at Lowestoft this month *want* to do something. One of them suggests "painting cards or making scrap-books, &c." No doubt these would be very welcome to our school children in Madras and could be sent out in the next Christmas-box in November. Then, Mr. Chisnall has suggested that you, dear children, might like to have little missionary boxes of your own at home into which your pennies, halfpennies and farthings might go. I haven't room this month or I would tell you the story of Una's farthing and how God used it. Then, again, I have been interested in reading of missionary *tomatoes* and missionary *eggs!* It sounds rather funny, perhaps, but it shows that there are more ways than one of helping. The tomatoes were grown and sold for Jesus, and every tenth egg that was laid was devoted to His cause. Perhaps you would like to tell your parents about this. Further, I have just heard of missionary *lavender* grown and sold by a little girl in Guildford Sunday School to help our Mission. I should much like to hear more about it from herself.

I have just heard, also, that at Walthamstow Sunday School there is a little girls' missionary Sewing Class. They started three years ago with six members, and now there are thirty-three. The members are from 6 to 12 years old. They meet from October to May and make garments to send to India in the Christmas-box. This year they have made fifty-two. And they have not forgotten the pence, for, as you will see in the Subscription List, they have collected 12s. 8d. and put into the Missionary Box 14s. 6d. £1 7s. 2d. is very good for a class of little girls—don't you think so? Better still, I am delighted to hear that "some of them work, not only out of pity for the heathen, but out of love to Jesus." I should not have known all this but for a mistake which you will see referred to under the List of Subscriptions on the cover, and I thank Mrs. Stone for telling us about this work.

And, now, Vickie sends me this story, which, strange to say, is also about doing something:—"A little cripple once asked a gentleman to give him a ball of twine to make a net. 'I can sell it for threepence, sir,' he said. 'I want to help them print Bibles for the poor heathen, and threepence will print a page.' 'Bring the net to me when it is finished,' said the gentleman, giving him the money. When finished, the child brought it, whereupon his friend gave him threepence for making it and threepence for himself. 'O, please, let me give it all,' cried the little fellow; 'it will print *both* sides of the page.'"

Now I think you will see that you can all do something. Every little helps. Write and tell me what *you* will do, or make any further suggestions.

I am sorry to hear from Hilda Howard that her friend Ruby is ill. Let us pray for her. I hope you all read about the work in India.

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

MR. J. M. BRAND.

IT has now been arranged that Mr. Brand should sail for India on November 29th next. This brings the Committee face to face with the question of outfit. In addition to the ordinary outfit of a missionary, medical books, surgical and dental instruments, and a microscope with accessories for medical work will have to be provided. The latter alone will cost about fifteen guineas and the whole of the medical outfit will cost nearly £50.

If we consider what an opening medical work affords for the introduction of the Gospel message, we shall not shrink from this extra expenditure. In order, however, that this extra expense may not fall upon the General Fund (which, of course, has not benefitted by the many generous donations to the Emergency Fund) the Committee invite the help of the Lord's people, praying that He may move their hearts in this matter. Perhaps someone may be specially led to provide the microscope, which, we understand, is a very important item.

Dates for Mr. Brand's deputation visits to Churches should be arranged as soon as possible by writing to Mr. W. Chisnall, 35, Farnham Road, Guildford.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

MANY Subscribers and Magazine Secretaries who have been exerting themselves in the interests of the HERALD during the past six months will welcome a brief statement as to its financial position; more especially as the close of the financial year —September 30th—is getting within sight.

So far we have received little more than HALF THE COST OF PRINTING AND POSTAGE, and there is consequently, at the present moment, a heavy deficit on the HERALD Account. Many of our Subscribers are, no doubt, intending to pay in their subscriptions in September—indeed, we know this is the case in various quarters—AND OUR PRESENT APPEAL IS THAT *ALL* WILL KINDLY DO SO. The HERALD will then have become self-supporting, and the General Fund of the Mission will be relieved of a heavy burden.

Our heartiest thanks are given to all our Magazine Secretaries and other helpers, and also to those who have kindly made voluntary donations to the HERALD FUND.

☞ *Please keep* HERALD *subscriptions separate from other payments.*

Subscriptions received from May 14th to June 12th, 1907.

General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Sunderland—Jireh			
Mr. J. Birkbeck (box)	0	4	0
Mrs. Cousins (box)	0	2	3
Mrs. Johnson „	0	0	3½
Miss C. Newman „	0	0	6½
Mr. T. Ratcliffe „	1	2	0
Miss Dora Ratcliffe (box) ...	0	0	10
Miss Smith (box)	0	2	2½
Sunday School ...	0	3	4½
Lee — Dacre Park S.S.	0	6	6
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Acton Tabernacle ...	1	12	10
Mr. A. J. Larcombe	0	10	5
Mr. John Dadswell...	0	3	0
Stonham Parva — S.S. (box)	0	3	5¾
Ditto, Vestry (box)...	0	9	1¼
Elthorne Road— Ebenezer S.S. ...	1	10	0
Grays — Ebenezer S.S.	0	10	6
Mr. E. C. Bourne ...	0	2	0

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Tring—Akeman St. Senr. Xtn. End. Soc.	2	17	8½
Ditto, Jnr. „ „ „	0	5	5½
Tunstall	1	6	6
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Boyton Branch Chapel (box) ...	0	15	0
Eyke Branch Chapel (box) ..	0	5	3
Johnnie Garrod (box)	0	4	1
George Imy (box)	0	2	5
Esther Knight „	0	1	4½
E. Tye ..	0	0	4
Tottenham — Philip Lane, Y.P.S. ...	0	10	0
Mr. R. Banks... ...	1	1	0

"Herald" Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Miss L. Freeman ...	0	6	0
Mr. E. S. Holmes ...	0	3	7
Colnbrook	0	3	0
Waltham Abbey— Ebenezer	0	6	0
Lewisham — College Park	0	1	2

"Herald" Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Bromley — College Slip	0	6	0
Farnham—Park Lane	0	2	0
Brentford — North Road	0	11	0
Hounslow—Zoar	0	4	6
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Chatham—Enon S.S.	0	5	0
Miss E. Light... ...	0	1	6
Newcastle-on-Tyne	0	3	0
Tunstall	0	4	6

Emergency Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. H. J. Davis ...	0	10	0
Mr. E. Davis	0	5	0
Mrs. White	0	2	0
Miss Parsons... ...	0	1	0
Misses Elliott ...	0	10	0
Mr. W. Pickett ...	0	5	0

Reports Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Guildford—Old Baptist Chapel... ...	0	5	0
Ditto	0	5	0

Omitted from last issue in error.

ERRATUM.—We learn that the sum of £1 7s. 2d. which was credited to the Y.P.M.S. at Zion, Walthamstow, was in reality given by The Sunday School Sewing Class, as follows :—Collection, 12s. 8d.; Missionary Box, 14s. 6d. We trust this mistake will not in any way discourage our little friends at Zion, as we very warmly appreciate both their work and their contributions. Our thanks are due to Mrs. Stone for the information she has given us of the work.

THANK YOU.—*Mr. Booth wishes to very heartily thank his unknown friends, "Billy Bray" and "Ssalc Gnignis," for their kind personal gifts.*

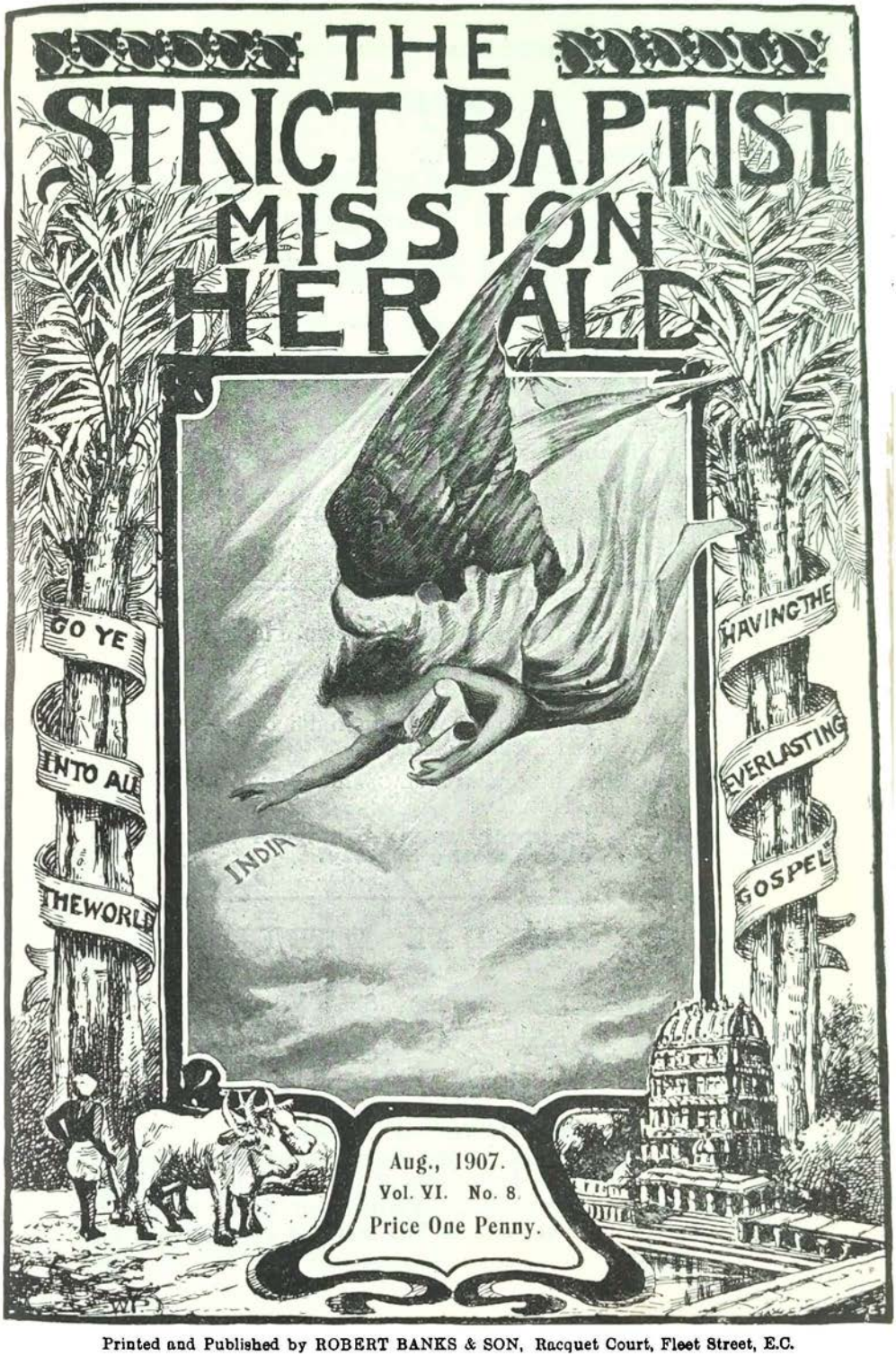
The General Fund.

WE draw the attention of our subscribing Churches to the fact that the General Fund is very low just now. Out of this Fund *all current expenses* for the work in India are paid; and the Committee would gratefully welcome Subscriptions or Donations in the Lord's Name.

The "Emergency" Fund.

THE Emergency Fund is still lingering on the borders of completion and needs only the sum of £5 1s. 6d. to make good the great loss of October last. Perhaps our Master will put it into the heart of one or more of His servants to complete this Fund forthwith.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING
AND
VALEDICTORY SERVICE,
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22nd.

The "Emergency" Fund.

THE Emergency Fund is still lingering on the borders of completion and needs only the sum of £3 8s. 6d. to make good the great loss of October last. Perhaps our Master will put it into the heart of one or more of His servants to complete this Fund forthwith.

The Strict Baptist Mission HERALD.

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CURRENT NOTES.

OUR work for Christ in Madras was beginning again at the end of June. The native workers re-commenced their preaching, teaching and visiting on the 17th. Mr. and Mrs. Booth returned to Madras on the 3rd of July much better for their rest on the Hills. Little Rex, too, who had been suffering from heat boils, has made progress, although rather slowly, which we pray may not be retarded by return to the plains.

We trust that Mr. and Mrs. Booth are now in possession of the Strict Baptist Mission Bungalow, as they expected to be by the middle of July. Their removal from the insalubrious native quarter, in which, since their return to India, they have been exposed night and day to the sights and sounds of heathenism, will be of great benefit to them and to their work. Heathenism is never uplifting and inspiring, but the reverse.

Mr. Morling visited Sendamangalam again during the month of June for the purpose of renting a house, if possible, or, if not, a plot of ground on which to erect a temporary dwelling-place. We pray that he may be divinely guided, and that Jesus Christ may soon be "lifted up" among the multitudes of that dark region who are far from God and do not know it. How are we going to respond to the stirring call of this great need?

Mr. J. M. Brand has now finished his medical course at Livingstone College, and it gives us great pleasure to say that he has done well—so well that we greatly regret the rules of the College do not allow the publication of the results of the Students' work. We congratulate him and we thank our Lord.

THE CHURCH'S DUTY.

"DUTY" is not necessarily, if at all, the cold, hard word it is frequently said to be. Nor should it be confounded with "legality" and excluded from the evangelical vocabulary. True, it is the expression of what one owes to another, but if the debt is due from love to love, the obligation amounts to pleasure.

The Church's duty to Christ is the expression of what she owes to Him for loving her and giving Himself up for her.

> "All her hopes my spirit owes
> To His birth and cross and shame."

And the measure of that duty is our Lord's commands. Love binds her to do *only* what He commands and *all* that He commands. And she is bound by her professed allegiance as well as by gratitude. No command of His can, therefore, be optional to her. And, when the Church is filled with the overcoming power of His love, every word He has spoken is sacred to her heart by reason of the love that sought her and the blood that bought her.

Our Lord has laid the duty of world-wide evangelism upon His Church to the end of the age. The authority of His command has not waned with the passing of the centuries. He still says, "If ye love Me keep My commandments." But He speaks in a "still, small voice," heard only by the attentive ears of devoted love. When, however, the Church catches His authoritative whisper amid the Babel of earth's voices, her soul is thrilled and she goes forth "shod with the preparedness of the Gospel of peace."

The duty of the Church is the duty of the Churches. The sacred obligation resting upon the whole rests upon each part. No part of Zion has been excepted by Him who is King in Zion, and therefore our Lord expects the obedience of love from every local Church, however small.

And the duty of the Churches is the duty of every member of the Churches, just as the duty of the Church is the duty of every believer. Our Lord delivers His great commission to each disciple; so that the subject is, after all, a personal one.

Can we—can I, charmed with the music of His pardoning voice, turn a deaf ear when He lays His commands upon me? And can I be indifferent to the awful and clamant need of a thousand millions of fellow-creatures who are rapidly passing into eternity, the great majority of whom have not even heard the Name I love? Do I really care whether or not they become vitally acquainted with its saving worth? Does the "interest" which I take in missionary work bear any true proportion to the imperiousness of my Lord's command and to the magnitude of the need? Do my own interests, my family's interests, my Church's interests take precedence of the expressed will of Jesus? Do I recognise the fact that my Lord exerts His saving power upon men through those who already know His Name? Does my obedience cost me anything, or do I give only so much time, money, strength and prayer as may be convenient and agreeable?

And, whatever I have already done in the cause of missions, may I not well ask myself in the light of His command, "How much owest thou unto thy Lord?"

> "Love so amazing, so divine,
> Demands my soul, my life, my all."

Our Foreign Field.

Latest Developments as to Sendamangalam.

I HAVE just returned from another tour of inspection in our new sphere of labour. The object of this visit was to make arrangements for a temporary residence in, or about, Sendamangalam, a town of considerable size and importance.

Although there is a population of over 13,000, most of the houses are built of mud, or mud and stone. Indeed, there are only two houses in the whole vicinity that can anywise be considered fit residences for ordinary human



Photo by] BAZAAR STREET, SENDAMANGALAM. [*Mr. D. Morling.*

beings. The owners of these are wealthy, orthodox, and exceedingly superstitious Hindu Mittahs, who consider the entrance of any Christian into their dwellings the worst defilement, and are determined not to let their property to us.

The only alternative was to obtain land for rent and build there a light structure that would serve as a temporary residence. Neither was this idea at all palatable to our Sendamangalam friends. But after repeated visits had been made from a neighbouring town, we gained, through the influence of a native friend some miles distant, the consent of the owner of a

small plot on the border of the town. Here we may erect a building that will shelter us until we have discovered the healthiest locality, purchased suitable land, and built a permanent bungalow.

At Salem, thirty-five miles to the north, we found an empty bungalow, which will enable us to be within working distance of the new field while our temporary house is in course of erection.

Thus we have been encouraged by the goodness of God in guiding us and opening up our way. May He continue to be unto us a Pillar of Fire, guarding us amidst the dangers, and leading us through the intricacies, of the dark interior.

D. MORLING.

The Unrest in India.

THIS topic has figured more prominently in the public Press than it has in our personal experience.

So far as the city of Madras is concerned, the "unrest" has been confined mainly to the students of the various colleges who were carried away by the eloquence of the Calcutta agitator, Bepin Chandra Pal. All the leaders of Hindu opinion in Madras held aloof from this movement, and Bepin Chandra Pal was suddenly sent out of the Presidency under police escort.

Much of the present "unrest" is being engineered by high caste educated Hindus, who seek that a larger number of highly-paid appointments in Government service be opened to them. Such men usually display supreme indifference or utter contempt towards the low caste, and have no idea of seeking the elevation of the latter. They talk much about "equality" and "the natural rights of man," but they have no intention whatever of recognising any equality between themselves and the great multitude of low caste people. Indeed, "the Hindu ideal of the State is based upon the distinctions of caste."

Should we not all join in the prayer that at this juncture special guidance may be given to the rulers of India? Any condition other than that of political tranquillity makes missionary work in India more difficult, for the missionaries belong to the governing race. Any general "unrest" would most seriously interfere with all missionary operations.

E. A. BOOTH.

Choolai School.

OUR School at Choolai has for some time been steadily growing, and now the rented premises where the School is held are not large enough to accommodate all the children who wish to learn there. New scholars are constantly being brought by their parents, but unless we can secure larger premises we cannot receive them.

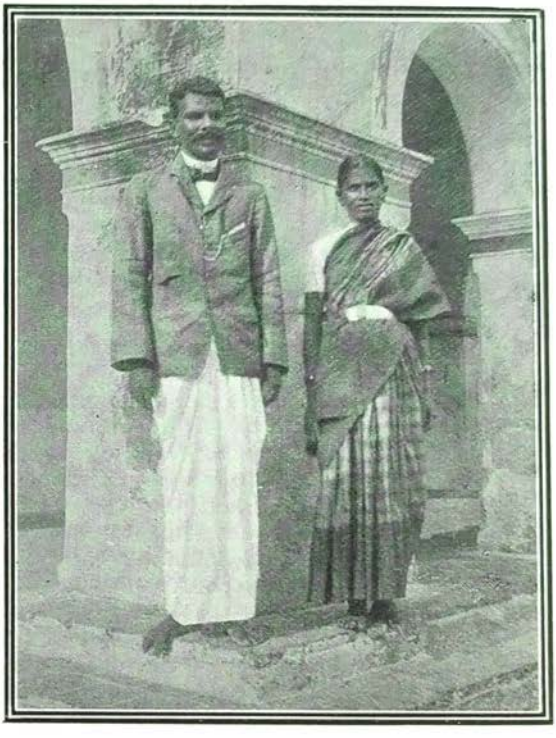


Photo by] ABRAHAM AND MANICAM. [*Mr. Booth.*

This happy condition of things has been brought about by the painstaking efforts of Abraham and his wife Manicam.

It is with special pleasure that we give our friends a photograph of these two workers, both of whom are members of our Church at Vepery and good teachers of Scripture.

Choolai being a somewhat bigoted caste quarter, Christians have great difficulty in obtaining house accommodation there. Up to the present our efforts to secure more commodious premises for our School have been unsuccessful. E. A. B.

"An Eating God."

AS our *jutka* (cart) rolled along towards Ayalpatti village, we overtook two men who were journeying the same way. Upon my enquiring where they were going, they replied that they were going to worship the *swami* (god). I asked, "Which god?" One of the men said, "A living god," and further added, as something wonderful, "He is an eating god." I enquired the name of this extraordinary god, and whether I also could see him. The man replied that the god's name was Palny Andy, and could be seen in the next village. Presently he added that the god was a man like himself, only he had been "caught" by Palny Andy. It was soon plain that my informant was referring to a devil-possessed man, whom he regarded as a deity.

I spoke to the men about the one and only true God, the Creator, whom alone we ought to worship. I pointed out that

it must be wrong to worship some other man—one like ourselves. On one of the two readily assenting to this, I told him that he ought to go back to his village instead of going to worship the devil-possessed man. (Of course the sad difficulty in this country, where devil-worship is common, is that a devil-possessed man is *not* regarded as "a man like ourselves." The people say "he has the god on him.")

I wished to give the man a Tamil Gospel portion, but he said that he could not read. Our cart passed on and the men, who were walking four miles after a day's work to worship a devil-possessed man, were gradually lost to sight in the fading light of the setting sun. E. A. B.

The Ruined Temple.

TWO years ago there stood a temple in the pariah quarter of the village of Koluttur. To-day there is nothing left save the foundations. Halting by the spot I called an old man, and enquired what had become of the temple and of the god it contained. He replied that the temple had collapsed and the god had gone into the earth. I wanted to know how it was the god did not rebuild his own house. This led on to a straight talk about the folly of worshipping a god that could not take care of his own residence. The man admitted that the stone god which he worshipped could not be the Creator. When pressed for a reason why he, a living man, continued to worship a lifeless god, my hearer took refuge in the *argument* which in this land is supposed to render all further explanation unnecessary—he did as his forefathers did. They would not have worshipped such gods without good reason and he followed in their steps. I tried this way and that to get beyond this, but the old man moved in a circle.

Some others had by this time gathered, and I drew them into conversation. Two belonged to distant villages where there were some Christians, but they added they themselves had not *fallen* into that religion. I then took full advantage of my opportunity, telling them about the one true God and the one way of salvation. They listened attentively, and even as I write I picture the face of one who followed closely what I said, and who manifested his approval or disapproval by a nod or shake of the head. Finally, as they went away, one of them remarked, in a light-hearted tone, "We will join your religion to-morrow!"

. . . . . .

How such an ending to one's work saddens one. I passed on to our School, the two teachers of which are the only Christians in the village. Pray for them. To live a consistent Christian life in an out-of-the-way heathen village is *not* easy.

E. A. B.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for August, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 4th.—That the Holy Spirit may prepare and enable our Bible-women to faithfully and lovingly teach the Gospel of Grace to their heathen sisters.

Sunday, 11th.—That those who have charge of the L.Z.A. at home may be divinely guided in all their efforts to extend this good work.

Sunday, 18th.—For a Hindu girl named "Camphor," who, though nearly blind, has learned to read from our Bible-woman, and has been a pupil for five years.

Sunday, 25th.—For the women who have heard of Jesus, and then passed beyond our reach, that the seed sown may bear fruit.—*Winifred Booth.*

A Lady Missionary.

ALTHOUGH no formal appeal has yet been made for a lady missionary, various statements of the need and requests for prayer have served the same purpose. It is evident that the subject is stirring the hearts of our friends, and we trust it may not be long before our prayers are answered and a suitable applicant is selected. Before all things, it is necessary that the choice and appointment should be the Lord's and not ours. The Committee fully recognise this, and wish ever to remember it, but there are certain facts, which experience in Mission work teaches, and which cannot be ignored, and the Committee will shortly make a statement for the guidance of intending applicants. One fact may be mentioned now, viz., that the lady's age should not exceed twenty-five.

To all L.Z.A. Members.

As announced last month, all L.Z.A. money should be sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Silvester, 9, Gallia Road, Highbury, *not later* than the first week in September. We are asked to add the following notes :—

Members of Local Branches should send the contents of their boxes to their Local Secretaries, who will send the total amounts from their respective Branches to Mrs. Silvester.

Members Unconnected with Local Branches will kindly open their boxes and send the contents direct to Mrs. Silvester.

How to Open the Boxes.—The boxes can be opened by inserting a button-hook into the money-slot and carefully drawing out the piece of material which is round it, when the money will easily shake out. The material should then be pushed back again, and the box is ready for further use.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive brief Notices and Reports of forthcoming Missionary Services and Meetings.

Missionary Meetings.

Dacre Park, Lee.—We were favoured with a visit from Mr. Brand on Sunday, June 23rd, and very happy times were experienced. Both morning and evening we had sound Gospel addresses, and in the afternoon Mr. Brand gave an address to the scholars, which will not be forgotten for a long time. We felt our hearts moved with love and compassion to the heathen as their condition was so ably laid before us; and our prayer is that God may abundantly bless the labours of Brother Brand in India. We shall ever remember and pray for him.—E. W. THOMAS.

Aston Clinton, Herts.—A very successful missionary meeting was held at Aston Clinton on Wednesday, July 2nd. Miss Ellen Butcher read a paper and gave an interesting address on the words "Come and see; go and tell," showing the terrible condition of existence which prevails among the Indian women, and what a great need there is for us to do all in our power to go and tell them the glorious news of free salvation. Miss Elsie Maull gave a short account of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary, which has been started now for nearly a year; and after the meeting three ladies took boxes. Mr. James Bagnall followed with an inspiring address, showing how necessary it is for all to help in this good work, and how he believed that brighter times were coming for foreign missions. Pastor L. H. Colls then addressed the meeting upon the necessity of importunate prayer, showing how wonderfully God had answered our petitions in the case of the site for the bungalow, and the new field of labour. He next made reference to the woman of Samaria as being the type of a successful missionary, and quoted our Saviour's words as being applicable to the present time: "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already unto harvest." A collection was taken during the service in aid of the Mission, and the meeting was concluded with the Benediction. E. M. MAULL.

The Conference of Pastors and Christian Workers.—The second Conference, held at Soho on Friday, July 12th, on The Best Means of Increasing the Missionary Spirit in our Churches, and presided over by our Secretary, Mr. W. Chisnall, was not perhaps a largely representative one, and some disappointment may have been felt on this account. The tone of the meeting, however, was good, and although the enthusiasm of a large public meeting was almost necessarily lacking, this was more than counterbalanced by the solid interest shown in our work and the practical suggestions made. One outcome of the meeting was a unanimous request to the Committee to print the paper (now read a second time), and a suggestion that a copy be sent to every Pastor in the Denomination, Mr. R. E. Sears kindly offering to pay for the copies so sent, and Mr. R. S. W. Sears to pay the postage, saying that he felt if every Pastor read one his congregation would soon hear about it.

We regret not having space for even a brief sketch of the meeting, and can only record some of the suggestions made. Mr. R. S. W. Sears,

referring to the reception of members into the Church, said that although new members were asked to pray for the Pastor, Deacons, &c., &c., he had never yet heard of their being advised to pray for the missionaries abroad and the spread of the Gospel.

Mr. J. M. Brand advocated Sunday School missionary teaching and suggested that teachers should get the children to write to Uncle John.

Pastor Thomas Jones said, "As the years go by my interest in missionary work increases." "The more we individually sit at the Master's feet, dwell beneath the shadow of the cross, and value our own salvation, the more our hearts will go out towards the heathen."

Pastor H. J. Parker, of Farnham, whose active interest we were glad to hear about, suggested that those who received a free copy might send up the cost of two or more.

Mr. Ridley, of Chadwell Street, found it a good plan to publish a return of what is received from the boxes, as it created a spirit of emulation.

Pastor H. D. Tooke wondered what effect the Paper would have upon the Pastors, and also upon the members present as to their Pastors. He thought the Paper might have been wider in its application. Other people, as well as the Pastors, should step into the balances. At our next Conference we might have a Paper as to how Deacons should work in promoting the missionary spirit. He particularly suggested that we should organise a Missionary Sunday in connection with our Society, and advocated the placing in our chapel lobbies of substantial missionary boxes.

Pastor J. Easter echoed Mr. Tooke's idea as to a future Conference and said that we should get the Deacons together.

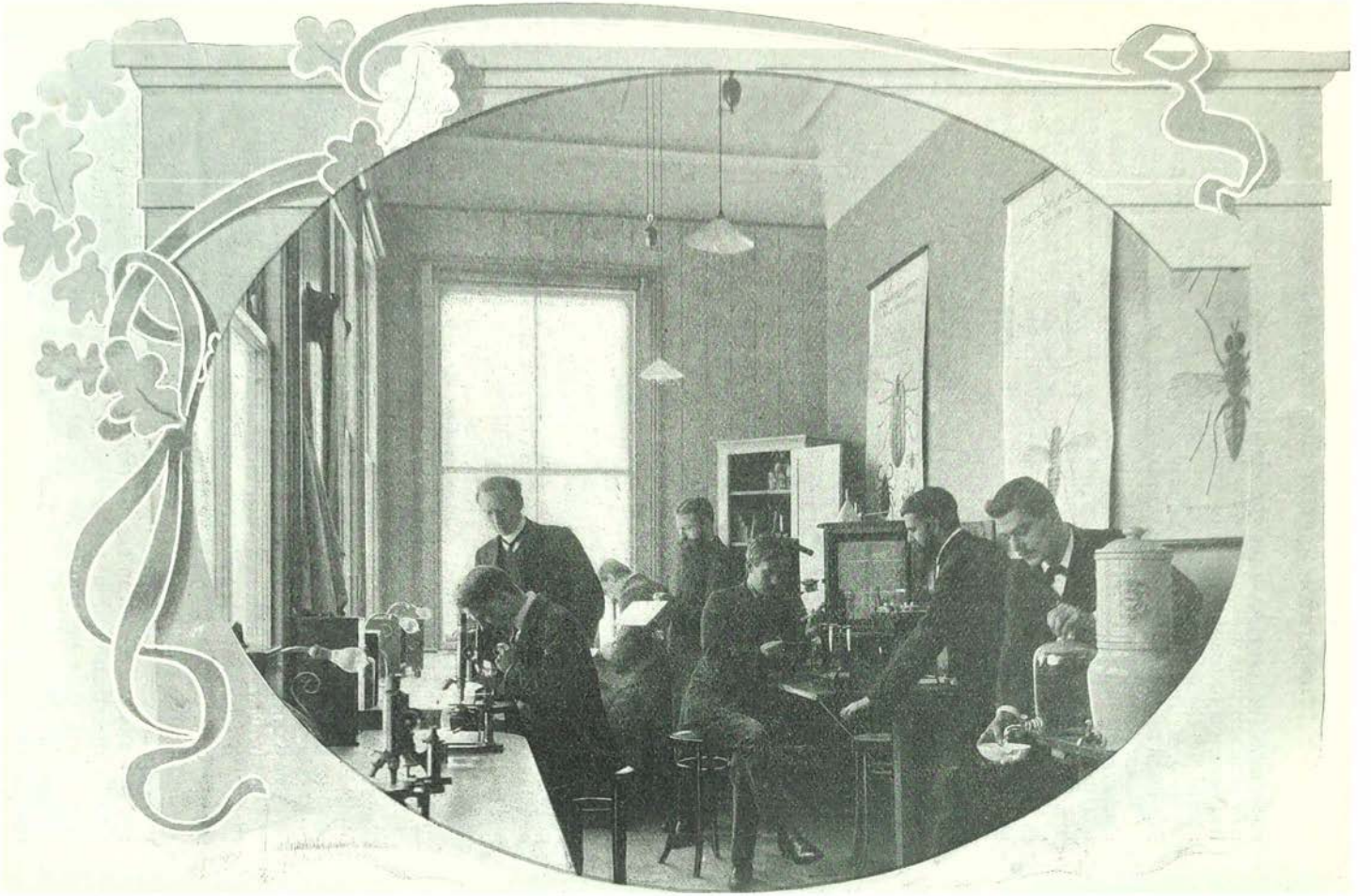
Progress at Tunstall, Suffolk.—The missionary cause is making steady progress at Tunstall, if we may judge by the circulation of the HERALD (which has just reached 100 copies) and by the missionary sermon preached by the Pastor and published in *The Agate*, edited by him. We extract one sentence : "The missionary work is the pulse of every Christian Church ; if it is feeble, that Church is sickly and decadent ; if strong, that Church thrives internally, rejoicing in a good finance and growing membership." May this spirit operate in every Church with reviving power. We wish our friend and brother Mr. Murrell, the Church at Tunstall, and the half-yearly *Agate* God-speed and good success.

"Set on fire our hearts' devotion
With the love of Thy dear Name,
Till o'er every land and ocean
Lips and lives Thy cross proclaim."

A Sad Request.

AS I was leaving our Koluttur Village Station a heathen woman came and made a request. She said that her boy was learning in our School, and she wished to know if we would receive him into the Christian religion as she desired to give him up entirely.

I enquired into her circumstances and found that she was a widow. She had other children, but had no idea of giving them up, nor any wish to join the Christian religion herself. But the boy in question had a withered arm and a withered leg. She was afraid that he would not be able to earn his living, and wished to give him to us that she might be relieved of all responsibility regarding him. E. A. B.



OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE.

Livingstone College.

THE Livingstone College course is a medical one extending over ten months. During this time instruction is given in the elementary principles of medicine, surgery, tropical hygiene, nursing and cooking.

The Principal, Dr. Harford, M.A., M.D., possesses exceptional qualifications for the work, having been himself a medical missionary in Africa.

Students have the opportunity of attending the out-patient department of two large London hospitals and the dental department of a third, while the wards of two of these hospitals are open to them also.

The missionary-student should thus, at the end of his course, be equipped with knowledge which will enable him to care for his own health and for that of his fellow-missionaries; to treat the simpler ailments of the people amongst whom he works, and, in case of the more serious surgical emergencies that often arise in isolated parts, to render that efficient aid which will often be the means of saving life until the arrival of qualified help. In all uncivilised countries there is a great mass of physical suffering which can be relieved, and often prevented, by attention to the most elementary principles of cleanliness and hygiene. Instead of keeping a wound clean the native will often plaster it over with filth and all kinds of abominations. In this way simple wounds are frequently made septic, and serious results follow. It is wonderful, too, to what an extent the healing of the body is often the paving of the way for the healing of the soul. Simple operations have often—according to the testimony of missionaries on the field—been the means of breaking down prejudice and opposition, and of the commencement of a work of grace in the heart.

Looking back over the past ten months, I feel very thankful that such a period of training has been possible. Livingstone College has a "missionary atmosphere," and its students form a truly cosmopolitan body. During the past course no fewer than nine different nations have been represented. Looking forward to future work in the Indian field, I feel confident that this additional weapon will be used of God to carry the war further still into the enemy's camp.

Between now and November I hope to have the privilege of visiting many of our Churches and getting to know personally those who are interested in our Foreign Mission work.

JESSE M. BRAND.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—I have the pleasure of welcoming another niece, Winnie Cordwell, of Guildford, into our Corner. Answering Peggie's question this month, there are now thirteen in the Corner. Not a very large number, but Jesus can do great things with a small number of little people. Remember how Jesus used a boy's few loaves and fishes to feed a great multitude of hungry people. *The boy was there ready to be used.* I think most of my little friends must be thinking hard what they can do to help, for I have only three letters this month, so I will wait until the 10th of August to hear what each of you will do. Since telling you about missionary tomatoes and eggs I have read about missionary *potatoes* and *toffee!* But I want you to listen to what Winnie is telling us about the lavender. She says: "Mother read about an apple tree being devoted to a religious cause, so mother thought I could sell the lavender for my missionary box. And it is very surprising how well it has increased since then! Previously, out of thirty small bushes only three kept alive after a severe winter; but, since it has been used for God's work, these little bushes have been divided up and we have now quite a large number of bushes just coming into bloom. The lavender has gone on increasing yearly, until last year I collected £1 2s. 11d.—twice as much as I had the year before, plus elevenpence. The garden path on either side is formed into one mass of lavender."

Now, I want to help Winnie to sell her lavender for God's work in India. If you were to ask your grown-up friends to read this page, I dare say some of them would write to me or to Mr. Chisnall wanting to buy it, and then we should all of us be pleased. Who will get the first order for lavender to help in sending the Gospel to India?

Some of you will be at the seaside, I dare say, when you receive your HERALDS this month. As you look at the sea, I want you to think of it as "the highway of the nations," the way to India and other heathen lands. And, then, as you are enjoying the sea and the sunshine, remember—

"Many little ones there are
O'er the sea, so very far,
Who never heard of God above,
Who do not know of Jesus' love."

My story this month is not, perhaps, exactly a missionary story, but I think many of you will like it. A little boy said to his mother one day, "Mother, what does it mean when God says He blots out my sin?" "It means, my dear," said his mother, "that He puts them all away so that they can never be found." "But," he said, "mother, I don't understand it." She said, "Fetch me your slate." Taking the slate in her hand, the mother said, "Fred, I thought I saw you writing on that slate yesterday. Where is what you wrote?" "I rubbed it out, mother." "But where is it? "Why, mother, I don't know; I just rubbed it out!" "Exactly, my boy, and that is what God does with your sin if you are trusting in Jesus."

Are your sins "rubbed out," dear boys and girls? And is that why you want to send the good news "o'er the sea, so very far?" I thank God if it is so; and if not, may it soon be so!

I have to thank a grown-up friend for a story and for his interest in this Corner. I will use the story as soon as I can.

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

MR. J. M. BRAND.

It has now been arranged that Mr. Brand should sail for India on November 29th next. This brings the Committee face to face with the question of outfit. In addition to the ordinary outfit of a missionary, medical books, surgical and dental instruments, and a microscope with accessories for medical work will have to be provided. The following are the items :—

Microscope, about	£15	15	0
Medical outfit	15	0	0
Dental instruments	3	3	0
Surgical instruments and dressings ...	5	0	0

In order that this extra expense may not fall upon the General Fund, the Committee invite the help of the Lord's people whose hearts He has moved to respond so readily to their previous appeals.

Dates for Mr. Brand's deputation visits to Churches should be arranged *as soon as possible* by writing to Mr. W. Chisnall, 35, Farnham Road, Guildford.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

Many Subscribers and Magazine Secretaries who have been exerting themselves in the interests of the Herald during the past seven months will welcome a brief statement as to its financial position ; more especially as the close of the financial year—September 30th—is getting within sight.

So far we have received little more than ***Half the Cost of Printing and Postage,*** and there is, consequently, at the present moment, a heavy deficit on the Herald Account. Many of our Subscribers are, no doubt, intending to pay in their subscriptions in September—indeed, we know this is the case in various quarters—***and Our Present Appeal is that All Will Kindly Do So.*** The Herald will then have become self-supporting, and the General Fund of the Mission will be relieved of a heavy burden.

Our heartiest thanks are given to all our Magazine Secretaries and other helpers, and also to those who have kindly made voluntary donations to the Herald Fund.

☞ *Please keep* Herald *subscriptions separate from other payments.*

The General Fund.

We draw the attention of our subscribing Churches to the fact that the General Fund is very low just now. Out of this Fund *all current expenses* for the work in India are paid; and ***the Committee would Gratefully Welcome, in the Lord's Name, any Subscriptions or Donations.***

Subscriptions received from June 12th to July 13th, 1907.

General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Bassett Street S.S....	1	9	6
Ditto. Miss R. M. Fielder	0	5	0
Limehouse—Elim			
Mr. Martin (box)	0	6	2¼
Mrs. Thomas ,,	0	3	4½
Mr. Bayes ,,	0	2	0¾
Miss Adams ,,	0	0	6
School ... ,,	0	5	9
Otley—Miss L. Freeman's S.S. Class ...	0	4	0
Berkhamsted—Beulah			
Sunday School ...	1	8	0
Mrs. Wood (box)	0	12	0
Mrs. Osbourn ,,	0	5	0
Miss L. Sills ,,	0	8	6
Hounslow—Zoar			
Sunday School ...	1	9	3¼
Bible Class... ...	0	12	10
Miss Ebbs	1	0	0
Mr. J. Dilley	0	2	6
Colchester—St. John's Green S.S.	2	2	6
Farnham—Park Lane			
Mr. A. Hewitt (box)	0	18	6½
Mr. H. J. Parker ,,	0	10	9½
Mr. G. Hewitt ,,	0	5	0
Mrs. Bailey ,,	0	2	0
Miss R. Boxall ,,	0	1	1½
Mr. W. ,, ,,	0	1	0½
Nedi	0	2	6
Walworth—Penrose Street S.S.	1	0	0
Norwich — Orford Hill S.S.	0	6	9

General Fund (*cont.*).

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Farnborough—			
Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Wells (box)	0	12	5
Beccles S.S. (box) ...	0	17	3
Wandsworth—			
Chatham Road S.S.	0	6	8
Aston Clinton—			
Mrs. Kern (box)	0	4	0
,, Rance ,,	0	9	1
,, W. Rolfe ,,	0	12	0
,, Sharp ,,	0	12	0
,, J. Burnham ,,	1	0	1½
,, Memger ,,	0	3	2
,, Gurney ,,	0	4	10½
Lucy Crockett (card)	0	4	0
Alice Thorn ,,	0	1	0
Ada Ralph ,,	0	0	4
Collection	3	12	5
Mr. Jas. B. Collin ...	8	8	0
Mrs. ,, ...	2	2	0
Lee — "Dacre" Park			
Sunday School ...	0	6	8¼
Bible Class (box)...	0	3	11¼
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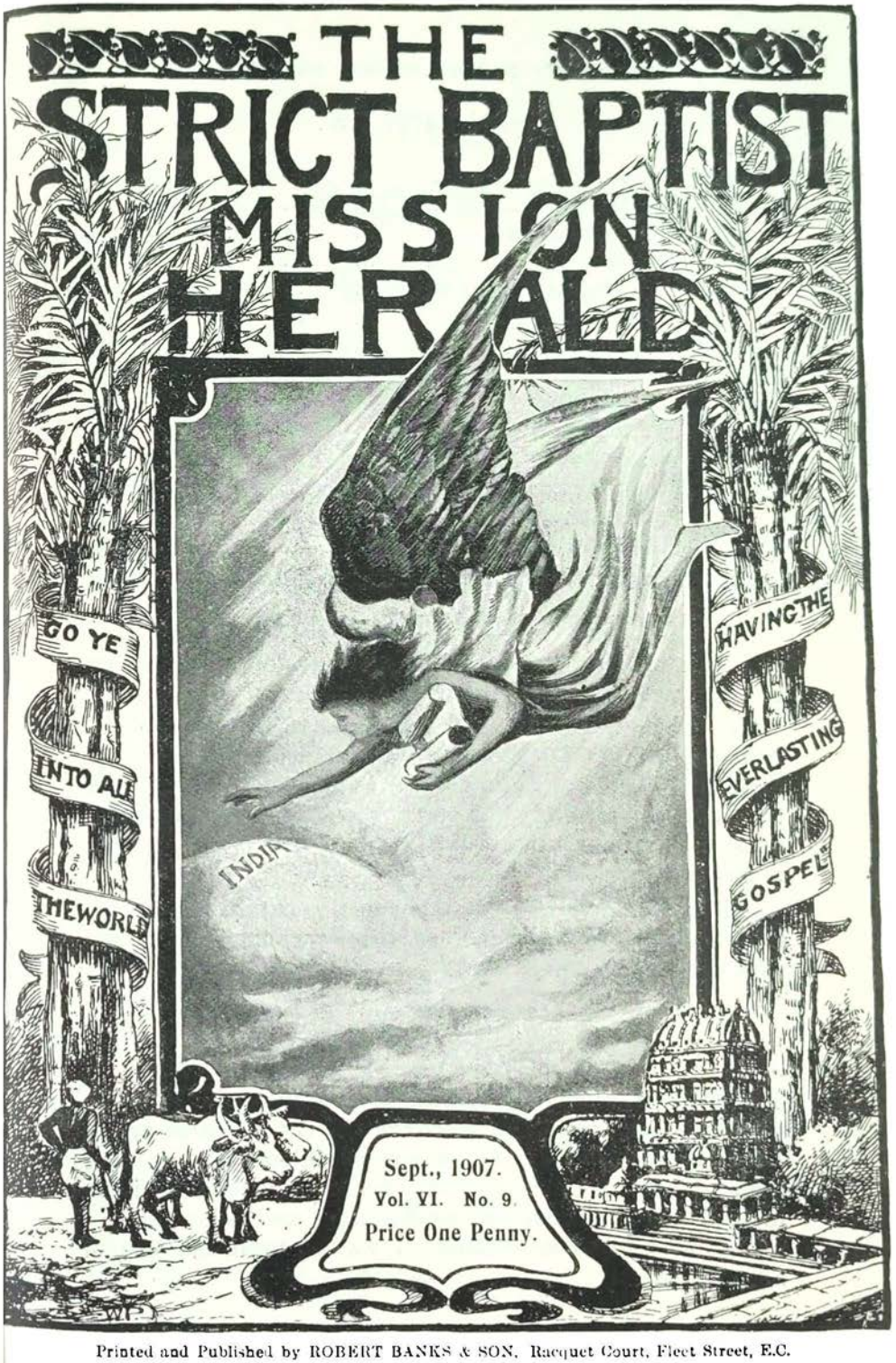
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Will friends kindly note that Mr. Booth's address is S.B.M. BUNGALOW, KILPAUK, MADRAS?

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THE FINANCIAL YEAR

will close on Sept. 30th, and only sums received on or before that date can be included in this year's accounts.

If all our friends would kindly send their Subscriptions, ***including Herald Subscriptions***, Donations and proceeds of Collecting Boxes and Cards as early as possible before the 30th to ***Mr. A. J. Robbins, Vicarage Farm, Hounslow***, it would considerably lighten his work. *Please add Mr., Mrs., or Miss to your signature, and the name of your Church.*

All ***L.Z.A. Collections*** should be sent, as already announced, to ***Mrs. Silvester, 9, Gallia Road, Highbury***, not later than the ***first*** week in September.

AN URGENT APPEAL.

THE ***General Fund*** has become so low just now that ***the Committee are unable to meet the current expenses of the Lord's work in India.*** We are sure our friends do not want the work to stop, and we therefore confidently appeal to them to send in their donations, subscriptions and collecting box money ***without delay*** instead of waiting until the end of September.

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CURRENT NOTES.

THE Emergency Fund is now complete, an anonymous friend having kindly responded to our appeal and placed the top-stone on this memorial of God's faithfulness. The memory of what He has done bids us work and pray in expectation of yet greater things.

Mr. Morling is busy at Sendamangalam, as appears on page 102. We commend to the earnest consideration of all our friends the statement of his needs and his requests for prayer on page 99. Who will "buy up the opportunity," and help to set up the standard of the Cross in this dark region?

At the same time we must not forget the work that is going on in and around Madras. The Chapel is the most urgent need. Mrs. Booth writes in a private letter:—"Just now the need of the Chapel site is pressing sorely. We want it so badly; and we look for it and pray for it, and yet we seem no nearer to finding one. May the Lord speedily appear for us!" Are we at home as earnestly praying for it?

Our L.Z.A. sisters do not, perhaps, realise that we are all awaiting the result of their first year's work. We congratulate Mrs. Silvester on her share of it, and trust the proceeds of the boxes may exceed her expectations.

Will our Sunday School Teachers endeavour to interest the children in the Magazine?

"MORE THAN ME."

Matt. x. 37.

"MORE than Me." Jesus' words—Jesus' solemn, searching words!

Not that the dear Saviour is speaking a word here to lessen our love for our dear parents, our honour and obedience due to them; but *Jesus* is infinitely above *all* others, and is to be loved above our nearest and dearest. Mr. Meyer tells of a dear girl in one of our great manufacturing centres who had heard God's call to the Mission field and who felt keenly the pain of leaving her lover. She came to her minister and said, "I cannot bear to give up anything for Jesus grudgingly." So she went away and spent a whole night in prayer that He would help her to make the gift *with a smile.* And she came again to her minister, saying, "I don't love Jack less, but I love the Lord Jesus *so much more* that it is easy to go." Yes, Jesus is "God over all, blessed for ever"—our *Saviour* and *Redeemer*—which itself makes Him more lovely and more to be loved than any other.

"More than Me"—Jesus' searching words. And do we not want them to search *us?* Do we mourn that fuller blessing is not ours? does not come to others? One dear missionary says, "I feel quite sure that if Missions are not a success, *they might be.* People speak of the progress of truth being slow, and thus hide the Church's guilt. Christ takes hold of the world by us, but we are such choked-up channels that the streams of the Water of Life can hardly flow." *We* "such choked-up channels!" What can it mean but that we are loving something—ourselves, or ease, or earthly things—more than Jesus? We grieve over the idolatry of the heathen. Have *we* no idols? nothing coming between our souls and Him, hindering fullest blessing coming to our own souls and to others?

We feel, as that same dear missionary says, "that we are still only beginning to apprehend what God can do through little bands of fully yielded, fully trusting, overflowingly filled believers"—filled with the Holy Spirit, with Jesus and His love, loving nothing "more than" that dear "Me." Such instruments He uses.

Dear friends, lift up your eyes and look on the unentered fields. Think of the millions to whom no loving follower of the self-renouncing One has brought tidings of Him; and then, do pray that His sad word, "more than Me," may not be true of one who loves Him, for Jesus' sake and the sake of those perishing millions.

E. B.

"GOD's way of fruitfulness and victory always lies along the path of sacrifice! If we refuse to 'sacrifice' we refuse to go forward; if we refuse to 'sacrifice' we miss our coronation."—*Rev. F. H. Horsburgh.*

OUR FORWARD MOVEMENT.

OUR new field, which Mr. and Mrs. Morling have now entered, has an area of 400 square miles, 372 villages and towns, and a population of 150,000, who have no knowledge of Christ. If we take these facts in and realise their significance, they will surely be to us a very stirring call from our Lord and Master. He has opened the way, and now bids us occupy in His name and hold forth the Word of Life. We are beginning to do this through our missionaries, and are glad to know that our brother, Mr. Morling, is throwing himself into the work with energy and devotion, and rejoicing in the prospect of preaching the Gospel "where Christ is not named."

Money, however, is needed to sustain the movement, and we are sure that a bare statement of the need will be an effectual appeal to the hearts of our friends.

The temporary bungalow in Sendamangalam will cost about £50. It will last for two or three years, and in the end will have cost less than rent for the same period. This sum is needed immediately.

During those two or three years, Mr. Morling will tour through this dark region with the Light of the Gospel. For this purpose he requires a proper tent and camping outfit. This also is needed immediately.

At the end of this period he will be able to decide upon the most convenient and healthy locality for a *permanent* bungalow, and for this we shall then need the sum of £500. We have, therefore, opened a "Sendamangalam Building Fund," and we earnestly invite donations as a demonstration of the fact that the hearts of our friends are with us in this effort for the advancement of the Kingdom.

Those who were present at Mr. Booth's Valedictory Meeting in September last will remember the earnestness with which our brother pleaded for this extension of our work and the solemn pledge made with uplifted hands in response to our President's appeal. This pledge has been nobly redeemed as regards the financial loss; and now, as we move forward to uplift Christ where He is not known, we echo those appeals and ask our friends for a further fulfilment of their pledge in order that we may efficiently carry on the work our Master has called us to.

Mr. Morling, in a letter to our Vice-President, asks for our prayers "for power and the consciousness of the Master's presence to sustain in a hard and lonely conflict," and "that this waste of desolation may be made the garden of the Lord."

"THE Church exists to evangelise the world."

Our Foreign Field.

Madras Brevities.

DURING their last day in Madras, Friday, July 12th, Mr. and Mrs. Morling gave us the pleasure of their company. In the evening we accompanied them to the Central Station and bade them God-speed as they left by the South-West Mail to take up their residence in the new Strict Baptist Mission Tamil field.

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So that Mr. Morling from the commencement of his work in the new field shall have associated with him someone whom he knows and to whom he can entrust various duties, we have arranged for the transfer of Preacher Varatharajulu from Ayanapuram to Sendamangalam. He is accompanied by his wife, Bible-woman Adaikalam and their three children.

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Our earnest prayers and search for a suitable site for the Madras Tamil Baptist Chapel still continue. We have this month been disappointed in losing what appeared to be a good site. We desire, if possible, to keep in the neighbourhood of the present rented premises. But, above all, we ask that God will give us THE site where He will bless the Gospel preached to the salvation of sinners.

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Enquiring recently as to the absence of several of our Ayanapuram scholars, I learned that, in the first place, it was an auspicious month for marriages; in the second place, that quite a number were affected with that very common Indian complaint, sore eyes; and, in the third place, that several of the children nine years of age were working half-time in the cotton mills, their wages being the equivalent of three shillings and fourpence per month.

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Within sight of the Mission Bungalow I passed a man worshipping at a cobra's den, whilst at the same time a woman was making an offering of fruit and flowers to the sacred snake and adorning its temple—an ant-hill—with coloured paste.

E. A. BOOTH.

Good-bye to Madras.

THE day on which our Pastors' Conference was held in London was a notable day with us also on the Mission Field, and one long to be remembered. On the evening of the 12th we bade farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Booth,

after spending a pleasant and restful day with them, which was much appreciated after a week of packing preparatory to leaving Madras for Salem, where we are expecting to stay while the temporary building is being erected at Sendamangalam.

We are sorry to leave our friends and acquaintances in Madras, and especially to leave our dear brother and sister, with whom we have spent some happy seasons together. We feel, however, the Lord has bidden us go forth, and so we leave them joyfully for His sake.

We started from the Central Station by the 6.25 train, reaching Salem in the early hours of the morning. After the



Photo by] MRS. MORLING AND BABY. *[Mr. D. Morling.*

usual bustle of turning out all one's baggage, which is no easy task at a station where lights are few and dim, we searched for jutkas, and in the dark, with one friendly lamp, we packed ourselves and baggage into these small vehicles, and set out for Salem. After a four-mile jolty ride we reached the rest-house in safety just as the dawn was beginning to break over the surrounding hills. Here we spent a quiet Sunday, and on the next day, our goods having arrived, we moved into the bungalow.

We are, comparatively speaking, free from the din of Hindu temples, though they can be distinctly heard in the distance. The scenery around us is vastly different from that of Madras.

Though we have hills all around us the country is high, hence water is very scarce. Suitable foods are also very difficult to obtain, and many little conveniences are lacking; but with the blessing of health and strength we hope soon to become accustomed to our new conditions. RUTH MORLING.

A Step Forward in Namakal.

PROGRESS has characterised recent events on the Namakal field. We have left Madras and taken up our abode—which will be very brief—in Salem. Preacher Varatharajulu has handed over his post at Ayanapuram to another, and already settled in Sendamangalam. The

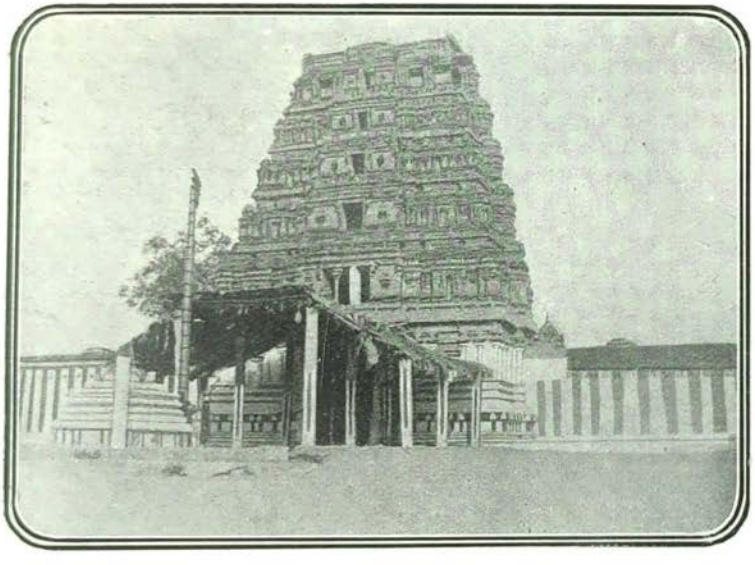


Photo by] A TEMPLE TOWER AT SENDAMANGALAM. *[Mr. D. Morling.*

building at the latter town of a temporary house, which is to shelter us until a permanent bungalow can be erected, has been commenced.

Our friends at home will, I am sure, be glad that such an old and tried Agent as Varatharajulu should be our first helper in the new field. Some months ago he expressed to me an earnest desire to go and preach the Gospel to those of his countrymen who have never heard the name of Christ, to visit those at the bottom of the scale of humanity. After he had accompanied us on the first journey round this part of the country, he came to me and begged that he might be the first Strict Baptist Mission Catechist to preach to those benighted souls. For several weeks his chief work will be to help superintend the

building of the house, and to conduct street preaching in the same locality. His alert mind, enquiring disposition, healthy and vigorous frame will, I trust, now stand him in good stead.

The house we are planning will consist chiefly of one room, divided easily by a screen. It will be built so that we can use it also as a Chapel. The walls will be of brick and mud, the roof of bamboo and tiles, while the outhouses will be of mud walls and thatch roof. D. MORLING.

Salem.

A Chat in a Bazaar.*

THE other day, as I was making purchases in a Salem bazaar, a Hindu man asked me, "Sir, what will you give those that join your religion?" I asked his meaning, and he said, "Do you not give land or houses or work to those who join your Way?" I replied, "Certainly not." "Then who will join you? who will take any notice of you if you do not give some remuneration for giving up caste and experiencing all this trouble?"

This gave me an opportunity of speaking a word for the Master. I asked him if there was not one God, and who it was that gave the rain and all other good gifts. As I expected, he answered quite satisfactorily. "Then, if it is God who created the world, God who sends the rain, God who preserves us, we ought to love and worship Him. If we, instead of worshipping Him, despise Him and bow down to every creature and everything but Him, then can we wonder at the present dearth in Salem? My religion teaches men to love, worship and obey the one God, their Creator and Sustainer, and I fail to see why I should be expected to bribe people to do a thing so reasonable."

By this time my friend, the "writer" of the store, was rather ashamed, and I had gained the bazaarman, his assistants, and all the purchasers there as my audience. Who can tell the result? D. M.

A Frequent Enquiry.*

SOONDRAM and I are standing by the roadside preaching the Gospel. Presently a tall man, who was hurrying by, stops to listen. He has on his forehead the trident marks of VISHNU. Having satisfied himself that we are Christian preachers, he calls out from the middle of the road, "What will you give me if I join your religion?" His enquiry not being immediately responded to, he comes quite close to me and repeats his question. He says he is a bricklayer, and wants to know how he is to get a living after "joining this religion." I

* These two Articles present a similar experience (common among missionaries) from different districts and under different circumstances and so supplement each other. They bespeak our prayers for heavenly wisdom for our brethren.—ED.

answer that he must keep at his trade. He raises objections and asks further questions. He is requested to wait until we have finished our preaching.

Presently a woman passes along the road, carrying a large vegetable marrow. Our questioner is evidently more interested in vegetables than in religion. Having talked over size and price, he concludes a bargain and goes away.

But his question brings to our notice a real difficulty frequently experienced by caste Hindus when they leave the religion of their forefathers. Having broken caste by becoming Christians, they are boycotted in every possible way by their fellow-caste people. Often it is impossible for them to obtain a livelihood where their conversion took place. In such circumstances, they look to the missionary for help, which he is frequently constrained to give.

Such action is generally misconstrued and the help given is considered to be the "price" at which the converts have been bought. This interpretation leads others to conclude that "godliness is a way of gain." Hence the enquiry, "How much will you give me if I join your religion?" is not uncommon. There is also a deep-rooted belief that missionaries obtain so much commission on every convert they make, the sum varying according to the caste of the "convert." E. A. B.

Scripture Examination.



SATURDAY, July 20th, was the day appointed throughout India for the Sunday School Union Scripture Examination. As usual, we sent up a goodly number of candidates. Two examination centres were arranged for—one at Vepery for our City children and the other at Ayanapuram for our Village children.

The printed questions were set by examiners appointed by the India Sunday School Union. For three hours the examination was carried on without intermission, each candidate having to answer ten questions.

Until now we have only presented candidates in the Oral Division, but this year we made a considerable advance by sending up a dozen candidates for the written examination. Of these, three were in the Junior, five in the Middle, and four in the

Senior Division. All of these were prepared for the examination by Headmaster Ponniah. Many of our friends will be glad to know that Authelatchmi was one of our candidates in the Middle Division.

The results of the written examination will not be known for some time, but we are able to give the results of the Oral Examination. Our scholars have gained 20 certificates in the First Class, 60 in the Second Class, and 48 in the Third Class, making a total of 128 passes. One of our Ayanapuram boys obtained the maximum number of marks.

These results speak for the way in which God's Word is taught in our Schools, and their significance will be better appreciated when it is remembered that 95 per cent. of the candidates are children of heathen parents. E. A. BOOTH.

The S.B.M. Madras Bungalow.

DURING July the Bungalow was overhauled and put in repair. Some necessary minor alterations were effected and we shall be able to accommodate Mr. Brand without making any addition to the building. At the close of July we were able to take up our residence there, although the workmen had not completed their operations.

The Bungalow is situated as nearly as possible in the centre of our Mission Stations. This is an important consideration, as it facilitates our visits to the work and makes us equally accessible to our City and Village workers.

Friends may be interested to know that the Bungalow contains a sitting-room, a dining-room, an office, two bedrooms (with bathrooms adjoining), and two small store-rooms. All the rooms are on the ground-floor. As is usual here, the house stands in its own grounds and there is ample room for enlargement when necessary. The property is bounded by a public road on two sides, by another Bungalow on the third, and by a small native Village on the fourth. Of the last, doubtless we shall hear more later on.

I would gladly illustrate these notes with a picture of the Bungalow but for the fact that I have already promised that to my dear friend, Mr. Chisnall, for insertion in the forthcoming Annual Report. E. A. BOOTH.

The Christmas Box.

DEAR FRIENDS,—1907 has more than half spent itself, and our thoughts are turning again to Christmas. I write these few lines as a reminder to those who have so kindly helped us with gifts to our School children, as well as for the information of those who have not participated in this pleasure before, but would like to do so this year.

We now have over 600 children in our Day and Sunday

Schools, and we should be so grateful for gifts suitable for them, as well as for our workers. Tops, whistles, mouth-organs, whips, marbles, watches, pencils (lead and slate), coloured handkerchiefs, etc., rejoice the hearts of our boys, and our girls are greatly pleased with dolls, picture-books, work-bags and boxes, beads, coloured and white cotton, needles and thimbles.

Remembering the long journey, will friends kindly avoid sending breakable articles?

Grimké's Tamil Text Cards we find very useful both in School and Zenana work.

May I beg again for remnants of cloth (not forgetting white calico) for our Sewing Classes and a stock of reels of white cotton (Nos. 30, 40 and 50) and sewing needles?

Thanking you very much in anticipation,

Yours in His service, WINIFRED BOOTH.

Madras, July 25th, 1907.

Please send all parcels, carriage paid, to Mrs. C. W. Harris, 12, Marlborough Hill, St. John's Wood, London, N.W., not later than October 19th.—ED.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for September, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 1st.—That the Holy Spirit will prepare the hearts of the Hindu women to receive the Gospel message brought to them by our Bible-women.

Sunday, 8th.—That Mr. and Mrs. Morling and helpers may be guided in the development of the work in Sendamangalam.

Sunday, 15th.—Prayer that a great blessing may attend the special meetings to be held in Madras this week.

Sunday, 22nd.—For the elder girls and boys who are leaving school and passing beyond our influence.

Sunday, 29th.—For our women School Teachers, that they may use to the best advantage their opportunities of influencing their girl pupils.

Our Hindu Sisters.

IT may be well to pause awhile and ask ourselves if we have any clear vision of our Indian sisters and their need of the enlightening and uplifting power of the Gospel. Let us try to imagine the effect of the Zenana system upon the 40,000,000 Indian women who are condemned to this life-long imprisonment; or the effect of the ignorance and superstition of the women generally. Or let us consider the evils of early marriage, and the cruelties of "cold suttee" or widowhood,

especially of child-widowhood. Or shall we endeavour to realise the blasting effect of temple "service" upon the girl-hood of little children, and the cancerous influence upon the people at large of this system of religious vice?

We cannot, of course. But the very fact that it is beyond all imagination, as beyond telling, ought to arouse in us a stronger sense of our responsibility. There is no power but the Gospel that can raise India's 145,000,000 women, and none but women can tell it to them. Soonderbai Powar, whose work for her Indian sisters is well-known, says in her "Fruits of Hinduism" —"Ah, Sisters! could you put your ear to the ground and hear the groans of heathen women—hear their bitter wailings, the more bitter because of their utter helplessness—I am sure you would not, could not, rest till you did all in your power to alleviate this suffering and bring about a better state of things."

But the array of vast numbers and the groans of millions may, perhaps, stupefy rather than stimulate some of us. Let us therefore listen to the plaintive wail of *one* of India's women— "O, God, I pray Thee let no more women be born in this land!" Does it not arouse in us a pity which will manifest itself in something more than mere words of sympathy? And let us remember that the saddest, strangest and most eloquently pleading fact of all is that the women of India are the mainstay as well as the victims of Hinduism.

It is among women such as these that Mrs. Booth and Mrs. Morling are working and among whom we are anxious to extend our work by sending out an unmarried lady. We hope to hear from Mrs. Morling something about the women of the Salem District when she has had time to settle down. Meanwhile, we focus attention upon the women of Madras by means of the following extract from a private letter just received from Mrs. Booth:

"I hope to go out with Bible-woman Sambooranam this afternoon. Last week I was unable to go out at all [Mrs. Booth was laid up with fever for several days], but the previous week when out with Christiana (in Pursawalkam) it was most encouraging to meet so many really interested listeners in the houses. In one house I had *twenty*. How one's heart goes up in a perfect rush of longing that some of these may be brought to the feet of Jesus! But they listen and go back to heathenism; and the next time we go they listen again and have no desire for Him. And yet we know His Word will not return unto Him void."

If we allow these facts to have their due weight with us, our L.Z.A. boxes will become very sacred to us and our prayers more earnest.

"COMPASSION is not mere feeling, it is feeling issuing in action."—*C. S. Macalpine, B.D.*

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—I hope you have all been enjoying your holidays and are beginning to want to be at work again! Did you remember your dark-skinned brothers and sisters as you looked at "the highway of the nations?"

Just think, there are about 120 millions of children in India alone, and about half a million of them are attending Missionary Sunday Schools! I wonder whether any of you thought, "I should like to be a missionary when I grow up and tell them the story of Jesus." If so, don't put away the thought saying "It's of no use; I'm too young." You are, of course, too young to *go now*, but not too young to think and pray about it. Some of the greatest and most honoured missionaries had the desire to serve Christ among the heathen implanted in their hearts when children; and I hope these little talks may be used by the Lord Jesus to implant the same prayerful wish in yours. Perhaps you would like to ask me whether you can do anything besides wishing and praying. Yes, certainly; do everything you have to do *well*. Obey well, learn well, play well, do your best in everything, always look out for the next duty and be ready to deny yourselves, and you will be making good preparation for your future work.

That word "best" reminds me of a story I heard a few weeks ago at a missionary meeting. A missionary not long ago was walking along the banks of the Ganges when he noticed a woman, with two children, who appeared to be in great trouble. He passed on, but by-and bye, on returning, he found the woman still there, but with only one child—a little girl. He enquired what the mother had done with the boy. She had thrown him into the river as an offering to the sacred Ganges! Knowing of how little account daughters are thought in India, he said, "Why didn't you give your girl?" This was her reply—"Do you think I could give my god anything but my *best?*" My dear children, we do well to pity the ignorance and sorrow of this poor woman—and of millions more—but we ought also to learn the lesson of giving our God, who is above all gods, *the best we can*.

You will be very glad to read this month of Mr. and Mrs. Morling's departure from Madras for our new mission field. Find the town of Salem on the map. It is about 150 miles south-west of Madras. That is where Mrs. Morling is living just now. Five and twenty miles south-east of Salem is Sendamangalam (only marked on very large maps) and there Mr. Morling is busy building a rough, temporary dwelling-place to which Mrs. Morling will remove as soon as it is ready. I promised to let you have a portrait of Mrs. Morling and her baby, little Augustus, as soon as I could; and I give it this month, but on another page.

Are any of you coming to the Annual Meeting next month? Perhaps some of you could, and I dare say your parents would bring you if you asked them. Ask them, and if they cannot and you feel disappointed you will have an opportunity of "obeying well."

Your affectionate
UNCLE JOHN.

MR. J. M. BRAND.

MR. BRAND will, D.V., sail for India in the P. and O. steamer "PERSIA," on November 29th next. In addition to the ordinary outfit of a missionary, medical books, surgical and dental instruments, and a microscope with accessories for medical work will have to be provided. The following are the items :—

Microscope, about	£15	15	0
Medical outfit	15	0	0
Dental instruments	3	3	0
Surgical instruments and dressings ...	5	0	0

In order that this extra expense may not fall upon the General Fund, the Committee invite the help of the Lord's people whose hearts He has moved to respond so readily to their previous appeals.

Dates for Mr. Brand's deputation visits to Churches should be arranged *as soon as possible* by writing to Mr. W. Chisnall, 35, Farnham Road, Guildford.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

FULL particulars of the Annual and Valedictory Meetings to be held at ***Soho*** on October 22nd will be published in the October number.

Meanwhile, we suggest that each Church—especially in the country—might ***arrange for a party of friends to travel together.*** Many who would not otherwise attend the Meetings would gladly do so if they knew that a party was being organised.

In this way we should have a large and representative gathering which would afford palpable evidence of the fact that the missionary interest of the denomination is not only being maintained but is increasing. This would greatly encourage the Committee and cheer our brethren and sisters abroad.

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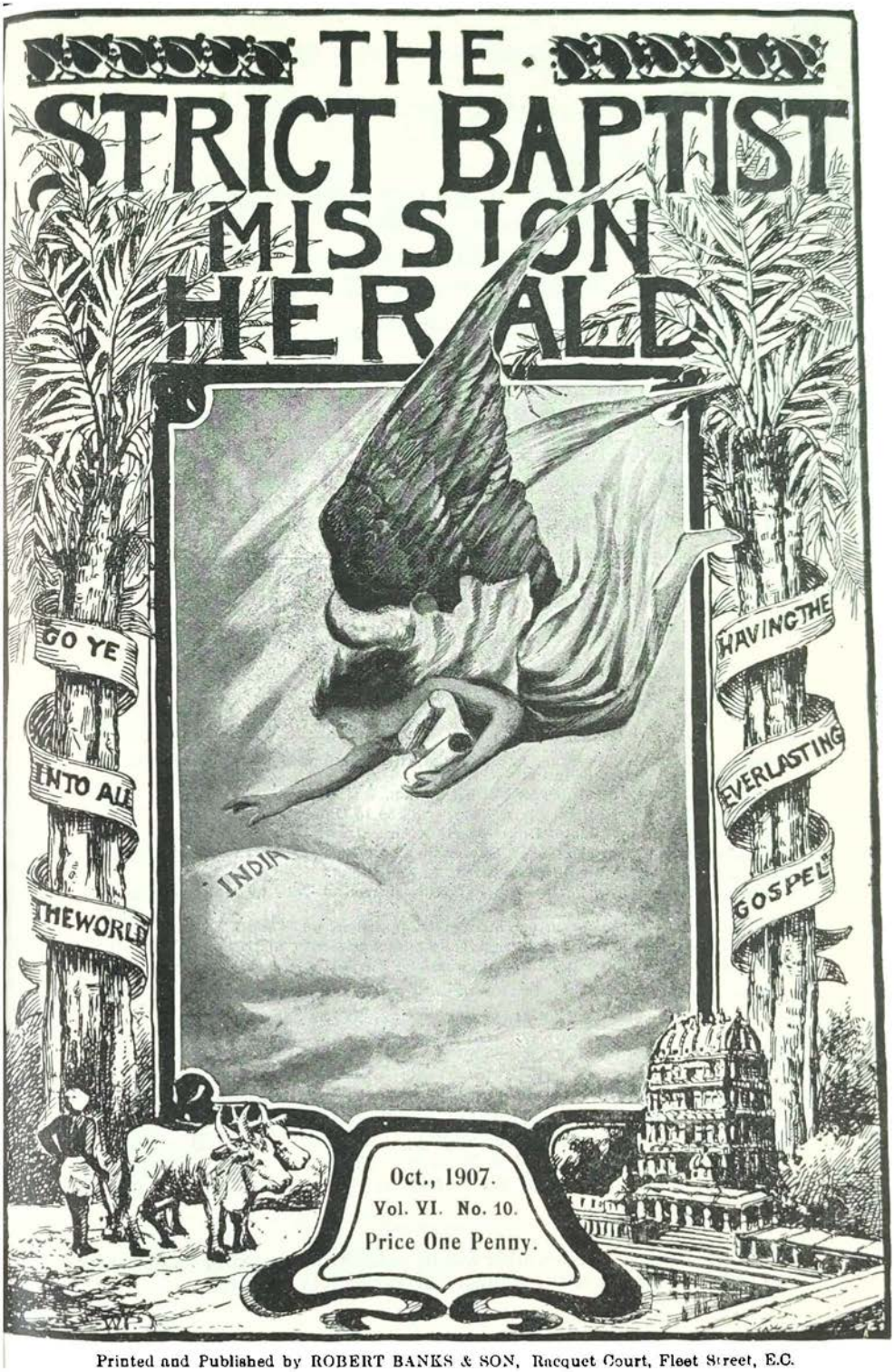
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ARE YOU GOING TO THE ANNUAL AND VALEDICTORY MEETINGS ON OCTOBER 22ND?

MANY will reply, "Yes, I would go if I knew the way, or had someone to travel with."

To meet the second difficulty we suggest that each Church SHOULD ARRANGE a PARTY OF FRIENDS TO TRAVEL TOGETHER.

To meet the first difficulty, *especially for country friends*, we append a list of routes from the principal London termini:—

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(See particulars of the Meetings on p. iii. of cover.)



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THE HERALD for November will be published later than usual in order to include a Report of the Annual and Valedictory Meetings.

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CURRENT NOTES.

WE hope that by the time these lines are read, Mr. and Mrs. Morling will be in possession of their newly-erected temporary "house" in Sendamangalam. How much they, and the population of 14,000 souls, need our prayers cannot be exaggerated.

Fever, cholera, and a wave of anti-missionary feeling in Madras call for earnest prayer here also. It is evident that God is working, for Satan is opposing. May God shield our Madras Missionaries and their co-workers, and keep them in perfect peace.

We much regret to learn that our brother, Mr. Booth, has been troubled with insomnia for some weeks past, in consequence of which he is feeling a lack of energy, which we are sure must be a great trial to him. He has our warmest sympathy. Let us ask our Lord to give him the restorative he so greatly needs.

A hundred years ago Morrison began his seemingly hopeless work in China alone. To-day there are 82 Missionary Societies employing 3,833 Missionaries, and movements are beginning in that land of teeming millions the end of which no one can foresee. "Thy Kingdom come."

We warmly greet our Australian brethren across the sea, whose practical sympathy and help in the holy enterprise of missions we greatly appreciate.

FITNESS FOR SERVICE.

THIS fitness is expressed by David when, after praying for cleansing and restoration, he says, "*Then* will I teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto Thee." He clearly recognised that his own spiritual condition was one of the principal factors in his service for God.

This is a truth which applies to every servant of Christ, whether engaged in His service at home or in the foreign field. What we *are* is the test of what we do; and, as not only life but health and strength are necessary to manual labour, so is a condition of soul-health to acceptable and effective spiritual service. Our work for Christ is, therefore, not to be judged so much by the physical and mental energy we exert as by our spiritual fitness. Our Lord confirms this when He says, "Abide in Me and I in you," teaching us that as fellowship with Him is maintained, so "the power of Christ will rest upon us." "*Then* will we teach transgressors His ways, and sinners shall be converted unto Him."

The principle affects not only our direct, but our indirect, service for Christ. Those of us who are not called to the foreign field are called to send and maintain those who are. In doing this we are truly, though indirectly, serving Jesus in foreign lands; and this indirect service demands a healthy spiritual condition for its efficiency no less than any other form of service. If our soul-vitality is low, it cannot be expected that our prayers for the success of the Gospel abroad will have prevailing power, or that our giving—whether in regard to its amount or its motive—will be likely to win the approval of Him who sits over against the Treasury.

There is another feature of our indirect service which we may be apt to overlook or fail to recognise, and that is our spiritual and sympathetic support of our Missionaries. The maintenance of *their* spiritual health and vigour for successful service depends, in a measure, upon us. If all true believers are "members one of another" the condition of each will be affected by that of all; and, as C. H. Spurgeon says, "*When the heart of Christianity in England does not throb vigorously, every single limb of the Missionary body feels the decline.*" This is likely to be even more manifest among those who are specially associated for a particular work. If, then, our vitality is strong, and our longing for the souls of men earnest, the condition of our brethren and their native co-workers and converts will be the same. And if our work for Christ at home is effective and fruitful, we may expect theirs in the midst of heathenism to be correspondingly so. Water finds its own level.

How much, therefore, do we need to wait upon God for more abundant life, seeing that not only the success of our own service but that of those who represent us in India depends upon it.

Our Foreign Field.

Light and Shade in Sendamangalam.

ON the afternoon of July 24th, immediately after writing my last notes to the HERALD, I set out on my bicycle for Sendamangalam. A "bicycle bundy" is a great rarity in these country parts, and it is to be regretted that my unusual mode of locomotion was the cause of a large number of upsets amongst bullock bundies. The fear of the women evinced no little superstition, some of the older ones hiding behind trees, and the younger running into the jungle and crouching behind bushes—such is their dread of evil omens, demons, and the like.

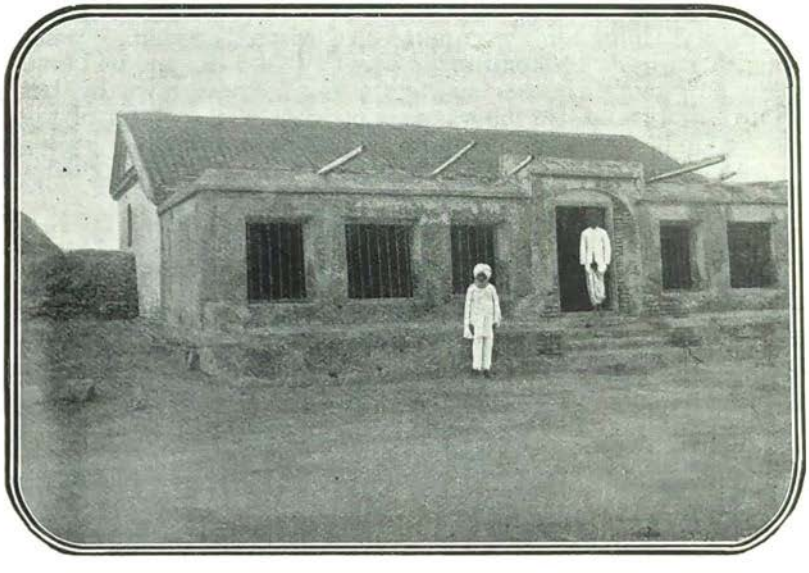


Photo by] A NATIVE REST-HOUSE IN SENDAMANGALAM. *[Mr. D. Morling*

My errand on this occasion was to arrange about a house for Preacher Varatharajulu, and to stake out the ground for our temporary building and outhouses; as soon as this business was finished I made my way back.

A few days after, at six o'clock on Monday morning, I started again for our headquarters, this time in a jutka bundy.

By ten o'clock we were at the side of our building. Progress is being made in the erection of the outhouses, and stone is being split and bricks and tiles made for the house.

Through the kindness of the landlord of the ground we are renting, we were allowed to make use of an old temple rest-house, formerly built for the convenience of Brahmins on visiting the local shrine.

It is now rather dilapidated and far from clean, has two very diminutive rooms and, in an outer wall, six windows, through the bars of which inquisitive boys and girls delight to crawl. Yet it is very convenient, and saves me two twelve-mile journeys over a bad road. Surely we have reason to thank our gracious Master for thus granting us favour with those for whom we are labouring.

Before returning to Salem, I was enabled to see more of my surroundings, and converse with my neighbours. It seemed somehow as though I had newly come into the heathen world, so much is there of pagan ignorance, impurity, and fanaticism. That night as I lay down on my hard bed it was with an indescribable heaviness of heart, a burden of numberless sinful souls, a yearning for the coming of Christ's Kingdom. What mighty faith we need to firmly believe that God can and will (and that now if He choose) regenerate this godless town by His Spirit, and transform these houses of idols into temples of the living God. Without such faith we can do nothing.

Salem. D. MORLING.

My First Visit to Sendamangalam.

UNTIL August 16th, Sendamangalam had been known to me only by name and description, but now I have been and seen for myself. And what did I see? Some things, dear reader, not to be understood; and some things that would fill your hearts with a burning desire to come over and tell these people the wonderful story that has been made known to you, and which is very dear to your hearts.

On Friday, the 16th, we were up soon after four o'clock, and, having taken chota haziri, started on the thirty-mile drive. Mr. Morling was on his bicycle, and Gussie and I were in a jutka with our provisions, as nothing is to be had at Sendamangalam in the way of English food but rice and plantains.

The journey is full of interesting sights, such as monkeys clambering and gambolling about from tree to tree, screcching parrots, the sun sparkling on their brilliant green feathers, and bullocks drawing water from the way-side wells for irrigating the dry and parched land. Then there are paddy or rice fields, with their sweetly-tinted greens, varying in shade as the wind sweeps softly over them, cocoanut palms lifting high their heads in stately majesty everywhere, while many-hued mountains are towering in all their grandeur on every hand.

But amidst all this superb handiwork of God there is something that mars the perfect beauty and causes pain in our hearts. Those beautiful mountains are surmounted by heathen temples. Every mound which meets the eye is crowned by a vulgar image, and wherever one looks by the roadside there are gods in every shape and form. Can you wonder, dear reader, at the pain in our hearts when you remember the awful darkness of a people that "will not have this Man to reign over them," but rather choose to be under the evil one, worshipping the work of their own hands?

As we enter the place of our adoption with tired and aching limbs, streets of low mud huts meet our eager gaze, bazaar-owners with their many curious wares, women carrying water-pots on their heads and children on their hips, and many other things that to the reader would appear very strange.

Presently we came to the grateful shade of a rest-house, and there, open to the gaze of every passer-by, we prepare and partake of our provisions, and notwithstanding the numberless eyes that are fixed upon us, we enjoy a somewhat disturbed rest.

RUTH MORLING.

Salem.

At the Lascar Lines.

"STANDING PASS. Missionaries E. A. and Mrs. Booth are permitted to enter the Lascar Lines for Evangelistic purposes. This pass is not transferable.

"(Signed) DAWSON MORAY, *Captain*.

"Madras Arsenal, 21st February, 1907."

ON a wide, treeless plain in Vepery, stand rows of small mud-built houses with tiled roofs, which are occupied by the Hindu and Mohammedan employees of the Madras Arsenal, and their families. The above pass will explain itself. Having obtained a similar one for Preacher Soondram and Bible-woman Arseervatham we started work there in February last.

One afternoon recently, Arseervatham and I visited the women at the Lines while their husbands were away at work, and the receptions accorded us were varied.

At house No. 1, two women stood in the doorway with their children, and we smilingly accosted them, asking the ages of the children. Terror seized the mothers. Snatching up their babies they prepared to shut themselves in their house. "Why have you come? What do you ask about the children for? We will not tell you," they said. The braver of the two sat herself on the doorstep and looked defiantly at us. It was not a promising beginning, but we prayed and persevered. In a few minutes a change came; they listened, and even salaamed as we left them.

We passed rows of unpromising houses and stopped at No. 87. Here a woman came out to us, not terror, but dislike on

her countenance. "Go away, go away," she sharply said; "I cannot listen, my husband will soon be home." Our hearts sank and we went.

A sweet-faced women was sweeping the doorsteps at No. 116. We stopped and *she* accosted *us*. "Why stand in the sun? Come inside," she kindly said. We went in and she sat on the floor and spread a mat for us. And as we talked to her, with her tender, wistful eyes, we felt the afternoon was not vainly spent if God gave us but that one gentle listener. It was the first time she had heard of Jesus, she said, and the Gospel story had touched her. "Come again," she said as we left her.

At No. 193 a whole family greeted us, and we sat in the shadow of the wall and talked to them of Jesus. They called the women from the next two houses, and they, too, came and listened.

The occupants of No. 200 kept pets. Several fierce-looking dogs came sniffing alarmingly around us, but the "house-mother" reassured us and sat down to listen. And as we talked a girl's face looked at us over the wall—a winsome face—with a feverish eagerness shining in her bright eyes. All through the afternoon that face stayed in our hearts, and took us to His feet in prayer.

One here and one there; but oh, the joy if we are counted worthy to gather in His jewels! WINIFRED BOOTH.

"One Soweth, and Another Reapeth."

THE conversion of a young Hindu woman of caste family to Christianity, in consequence of which she left her home and went to live at a Mission Training Institution for Women, has resulted in the usual charge of kidnapping being brought against the lady missionary concerned.

The young woman in question is Jagathambal. When living in another neighbourhood a good while ago, she attended one of our schools for two or three years. During her examination by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Jagathambal stated in Court that it was in the Baptist Mission School that she first learned about the Christian religion. I received a letter the other day in which the following gratifying words occur:—"You will be interested to know that Jagathambal has many recollections of you, and of what she learned in your school. She is remarkably firm and courageous, and will make a good Christian."

This case has caused a wave of anti-missionary feeling in Madras, which is affecting each department of our work. Children have been withdrawn from our schools; homes have been closed against our Zenana workers, who have been abused and threatened; our preachers have met with opposition, Soondram having had cow-dung and mud thrown at him. The presence of a missionary only increases the trouble. When I

was out with Soondram preaching near the Choolai barracks, a party of young men and boys got together, shouted *Bande mataram* (the "unrest" watchword), and jeered so loudly as to drown my voice and make preaching impossible.

When the excitement caused by the case has died away, matters will no doubt resume their normal condition. I regard it as a passing phase. E. A. BOOTH.

Rest and Unrest.

IN the non-caste quarter of the village of Ayanapuram we are carrying on a quiet work among women. We get a patient hearing, there being little or no prejudice in the non-caste mind against Christianity, and each day in those godless homes the Gospel of His grace is proclaimed.

There we have come in contact with twelve young girls who, quite six or more years ago, attended our school and were then withdrawn. These have now resumed their Scripture and reading lessons with our Bible-woman. Some of them are mothers, and gathered around me with their little ones when last I visited the village.

As we went from house to house they followed us, and at last as we sat in a shady spot speaking to a group of women, they took their places around us. And there, with the sun in the west and the evening shadows falling across their smiling faces, we spent a happy hour. They were able to answer almost any ques-



BRAHMIN BRIDE, 8 YEARS OLD, WITH HER MOTHER.

tion on the life of Christ, and listened with rapt attention as we spoke of Him.

. . . . . .

But I must draw you away to another scene. Our Zenana work in the city of Madras is specially difficult just now, owing to the recent conversion of a Hindu young woman, added to the feeling of unrest prevailing in India.

While visiting with our Bible-woman in Pursawalkam, angry looks and words were levelled at us. As we sat talking in the houses men walked in and out, listened to what we had to say, and then shouted it across the street to those in the opposite houses.

As the afternoon advanced the agitation increased; excited men appeared from various quarters and loudly shouted "*Bande Mataram.*" (This is an expression adopted by the Hindu political agitators, and means "Hail, Mother!"—"mother" here meaning "My Country.")

They then followed us. We thought it best not to leave the district, lest they should think we were afraid. In the last house the men collected in the doorways and verandah, laughing and talking angrily. We went on with our lesson, and after one of our pupils had read to us we gave her a Grimké Tamil text-card. A man came hastily in and, snatching it away from her, passed it out into the street.

We still stayed a few moments. The women in the house said, "We are afraid you may drag us into Christianity." We assured them that it was not our intention to "drag" them anywhere, and that I had not the power of changing their hearts, for that was God's work. "Why then do you come?" they asked. We told them it was in obedience to His command, and because we would have them know of our Saviour. They shook their heads doubtfully. Alas! how could they know of the joy of a Christian's service for the King? We came away, and the crowd followed us calling, "*Bande mataram.*"

Such experiences are unnerving, and some would say, "Why go?" Look at the little wistful face in the accompanying photograph, dear reader, and tell me if there is not in your heart a longing to bring into lots such as hers the gladness and the liberty of the Gospel of Jesus Christ? WINIFRED BOOTH.

Outside the Radius.

IT is my turn to preach at one of our Village Stations. By 7 o'clock on Sunday morning a bullock cart is in readiness, but the yoke has so badly galled the neck of the bull that out of pity for the animal one is obliged to insist that it must be changed, although the owner assures me that it is only "an old sore." As we are not far from the cart-stand, another "turn-out" is soon brought. The cart boasts no seat; it is all floor, with an arched covering of bamboo matting as a pro-

tection against the sun and rain, and both ends are open. The driver shakes up the straw which is laid on the floor of the cart and spreads a piece of sacking over it. On the centre of this I seat myself. The driver thoughtfully enquires whether I would like the "curtain" down, and thereupon lets down a piece of sacking, which partly covers the rear opening.

The roads within the City being in good order, we make fair progress. Women are seated in front of charcoal fires, under trees by the wayside, making and cooking rice-cakes, for which they find a ready sale. Just before passing through a toll-gate out of the City radius, we cross a bridge, and the swollen stream beneath tells of very recent heavy rain.

Leaving the road, we are soon on a mere track which the rain has played havoc with. The driver dismounts and leads the bull with great care. The wheels sink into the mud and occasionally the cart gives a big lurch, but happily it does not capsize. Presently we pass a mixed flock of sheep and goats, and it is *not* easy to tell the former from the latter. For a minute the cart is stopped, whilst the driver extracts a thorn from his foot. Our eyes are refreshed by the sight of a waving mass of living green as we pass a flourishing rice-field. Further on the way is just a narrow sandy track between banks, flooded with water, through which we splash.

As we near our Chapel at Ayanapuram, I can hear the tinkle of a small bell, indicating the near approach of Service time. This village is entirely heathen, and even for a heathen village it has a bad reputation. From various parts of the place a large number of children gather, and these—together with our Preachers, Bible-women and Teachers—form the congregation.

After a brief opening prayer, we join in singing a hymn, and there goes up right from the midst of heathendom a song of praise to Jehovah. Some youths, attracted by the singing, come and seat themselves near the door and remain to the close of the service. My subject on this particular morning is the well-worn one of "The Forgiveness of Sins." As the fact of sin and the means of forgiveness are dealt with, the attention of the audience deepens. One cannot help noticing how the interest of the children is aroused by the use of a homely illustration. The weekly offering having been made, the simple service is brought to a close with an earnest prayer for God's blessing upon the message.

Immediately after the service, Sunday-school is held, and more than a hundred children are taught from an appointed portion of God's Word.

No one is more conscious than the writer of how commonplace this all seems and how far removed it is from the "romance of foreign Missions." But it is for just such ordinary work, done month after month, that your constant prayers are earnestly solicited. "We shall reap if we faint not." E.A.B.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for October, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 6th.—Prayer that the homes which have been closed to us through the wave of anti-missionary feeling may be opened to us again.

Sunday, 13th.—Prayer for our new Zenana work at **Arambakkam.**

Sunday, 20th.—Praise for the progress made in the work amongst the non-caste women in Ayanapuram.

Sunday, 27th.—Prayer that the way may be opened for Zenana work to be commenced at **Sendamangalam.**

L.Z.A. Notes.

THE members of the many Branches of our Auxiliary will be glad to learn that our Secretary, Mrs. Silvester, is very busy receiving and acknowledging the contents of their numerous L.Z.A. boxes. The money is still coming in and a list cannot therefore be given in this issue, but we are authorised to say that the amount, even so far, has **exceeded expectation**, and that a complete statement will be made to the Committee Meeting on the 22nd October.

Will all L.Z.A. Secretaries endeavour to be present at that Meeting? It will be held immediately after tea at the Annual Meeting at Soho. See advertisement on the cover.

Our Auxiliary friends will be specially interested in Mrs. Booth's paper, "Rest and Unrest," on page 115. In a private letter she adds a few personal touches which ought also to be known: "Our Bible-woman Arseervatham was beaten when visiting in her district, and Elizabeth has been threatened that if she brings me into her houses all sorts of dreadful things will be done to me." Speaking of the women who feared she would "drag" them into Christianity, she says: "It seemed so strange to me that they feared me and yet had no idea of God's power."

Referring to the whole of the unnerving afternoon's experience, Mrs. Booth adds: "God seemed to keep me wonderfully quiet and fearless and gave me some opportunities that I had not had before, and perhaps a more careful hearing from the heathen."

"We seem to welcome a little opposition here. It arouses one's passion for souls and makes us pray more. Madras is usually so listless and indifferent that it takes the heart out of one."

We thank God for giving Mrs. Booth the courage of faith, and pray that He may maintain it and enable her to realise that He is round about her as a wall of fire.

Little Rex, we are sorry to hear, is again suffering from boils caused by the heat of Madras. Our sisters, especially, will no doubt express their sympathy in prayer for his recovery.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive brief Notices and Reports of Missionary Services and Meetings.

Missionary Services.

Chadwell Street, Clerkenwell.—Mr. Jesse Brand preached two sermons here on behalf of the Strict Baptist Mission on Lord's-day, July 14th, and addressed the Sunday School in the afternoon. The testimony of our Chadwell Street friends is—"We shall not be afraid to send him to India after what we have heard;" and our brother, Mr. Ridley, who kindly writes concerning the services, says: "Personally, I feel that the Lord has given the Society a truthful and faithful servant. May He make use of him among the heathen." The collections were larger than last year. We are glad to learn that at the following Monday evening prayer-meeting "the brethren were exceedingly earnest in prayer on Mr. Brand's account, as well as for God's blessing to rest upon the Society as a whole."

Akeman Street, Tring.—Large gatherings, a hearty missionary spirit, and the presence of the Lord characterised the services on Sunday, August 11th, when Mr. Brand preached here. The whole tone of the services was calculated to stir up a deeper interest in missionary effort, and the sermons were much appreciated. The sympathy of believers at home was aroused by the pathetic contrasts between themselves and idolaters in India. The former had the living God to go to in time of trouble, whereas the poor Hindu had none. A heathen mother had really nothing wherewith to instruct her children even if she would; while the Christian mother had an abundance of simple and suitable hymns and prayers, such as "Gentle Jesus, meek and mild." At the close of the services many friends testified to blessing received and a renewed and quickened interest in the work of our beloved missionaries in India.

Salem, Richmond.—This Church has for many years been a consistent supporter of foreign missionary work. Brother J. Brand, our new missionary, was therefore well received when on Sunday, Aug. 18th, he preached two missionary sermons, pleading the cause of our Lord's work in other lands, and especially in the new field in India, where our brother hopes to be stationed eventually.

Homerton Row.—A very interesting Children's Missionary Meeting was held here on Tuesday, August 27th. Hymns, recitations and speeches all gave a distinctly missionary tone to the gathering, and both children and adults were thoroughly interested. The outstanding feature of the evening was—HOLD THE ROPES. Twelve children stood on the platform each concealing a card with one of the letters of this sentence on it. As each card was exhibited a missionary text was repeated, and afterwards, an incident in Carey's life. The effect was greatly appreciated by the audience. Our friends at Homerton Row are warmly congratulated on this successful endeavour to instil missionary principles into the minds of the children, and we trust many Sunday Schools will follow their example during the coming winter.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—Will you each read the 13th and 14th chapters of the Acts? They give the story of a missionary journey, and I want you all to send me answers to the following easy questions:—1. From what city did two missionaries start on this journey? 2. What were their names? 3. Who sent them? 4. What did they do when they returned? Let me have your answers by October 10th, and I will send a little missionary book to whoever sends me the best.

I am glad you liked my short story last month, Peggie. I should like to see the beautiful place you have been spending your holiday at—better still, if we could all have come and had a children's missionary meeting together!

Let me whisper a question in the ears of you all. Does your Sunday School teacher give you a missionary lesson sometimes?—Do I hear a murmur of distant voices saying, "Yes, my teacher does?" I am very glad. But did I catch one or two plaintive little voices saying, "*Mine* doesn't?" If it really is so I am sure if you were to ask very nicely for a missionary lesson, your teacher would gladly give it. Will you try?

You all know that at the Annual Meeting at Soho, on the 22nd of October, Mr. Brand is going to say "Farewell" before sailing for India. I am sure he would like to have some children present to bid good-bye to. Will you come if your parents can bring you? Tell me what you liked best at the Meeting, if you come. Of course, there will be a collection, and it is "concerning the collection" that my story must be this month.

Una had saved half-a-crown for a missionary collection, but somehow it had disappeared when the time came and she had only a farthing left. Of course, she was greatly disappointed, but was wisely advised to put her farthing into the collection and pray God to bless it. The odd farthing was not counted with the other money but was dropped into the missionary's pocket. Before sailing to India he was passing a shop in London, in which he saw a number of prints marked "4 a 1d.;" so he bought one with Una's farthing. It was the crucifixion of Jesus. Afterwards, in India, he went to a village where the hearts of the people were so hard that they would never before listen to him. On this occasion he nailed the picture to a tree and then waited. Presently the natives came flocking round and wanted to know what the Man in the picture had done to receive so awful a punishment. This was the opportunity the missionary had longed for. He told the people the way of salvation through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit spoke to their hearts. How much God can do with a farthing!

"Despise not then the pence,
They help to make the pound;
And each may help to spread abroad
The Gospel's joyful sound."

You will be sorry to hear that poor little Rex is troubled with boils again, because of the great heat of Madras. Mr. and Mrs. Booth would, I am sure, be very glad if you would ask Jesus to make him well.

Let me have your letters by October 10th, addressed Uncle John, c/o Pastor L. H. Colls, Framsden, Western Road, Tring.

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

The Annual and Farewell Meetings

Will (D.V.) be held at

SOHO BAPTIST CHAPEL,

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ON

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1907

Afternoon at 3.15. The VICE-PRESIDENT,

Pastor R. MUTIMER (*of Brentford*),

In the Chair.

Speakers—PASTORS

L. H. COLLS, E. W. FLEGG, & J. M. BRAND

Tring, *Homerton,*

At 5.0. ***TEA - - Sixpence Each.***

Evening at 6.15. The PRESIDENT,

Pastor E. MITCHELL,

In the Chair.

The Hon. Sec. will present the Annual Report

Speakers—Pastors

H. T. CHILVERS, E. ROSE, J. E. FLEGG;

Ipswich, *Walthamstow,* *Hounslow.*

And **Alderman H. BRAND.**

Farewell by Missionary J. M. BRAND.

Valedictory Charge by Pastor W. Chisnall,

Guildford.

A Committee Meeting of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary *will be held immediately after Tea, when a Report of the first year's work will be presented, and future work discussed.*

It is hoped that large Congregations will assemble to render thanksgiving to God for His wondrous dealings with us throughout the year.

SPECIAL HYMNS. COLLECTIONS.

[See special Route directions on page ii. of Cover.]

Subscriptions received from August 14th to September 10th, 1907.

General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Bermondsey—Spa Road S.S.	0	10	0
Tring—Akeman St., Lecture, per Mr. Brand	2	0	0
Berkhamsted—Mrs. W. Hodsden (box)	0	17	6
Mr. S. Hutchinson (box)...	0	12	0
Richmond—Salem. Lecture, per Mr. Brand	1	0	0
Mr. Geo. Tyler ...	2	2	0
Stratford—Gurney Road:—			
Quarterly Sub. ...	1	8	11¼
S.S. Coll.	0	18	6
Elsie Tooke (box)	0	5	7¼
Mrs. Ince „	0	8	4
Hazel Bros. „	0	1	5½
C. S. Webb „	0	0	10¾
Miss May Pearson (box)...	0	6	6
Chatham—Enon S.S.	0	7	6
Mr. D. Morling ...	2	0	0
Mr. E. J. Watson ...	0	10	0
Stoke Ash S.S. ...	1	3	0
Mr. A. W. Thrower (box)...	0	3	0
Miss M. E. Norman (card)	0	5	0
Chesham—Townfield S.S....	3	5	4
Sale of Work ...	11	0	0
MissHawkins(box)	0	16	0
Mr. A. Eastoe ...	0	2	0
Miss G.A.Osmotherly (box)	0	6	3½
Mrs. E. Camp „	0	6	6
Miss Ballard „	0	6	0
Miss E. L. Cooper ...	2	0	0
Mr. S. H. Brown ...	1	0	0
Epping S.S.	1	0	0

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Guildford—Old Baptist Chapel:—			
Collections	10	9	2
S.S.	0	16	0
Y.P. Society ...	0	11	1¼
Week Evening B.C.	0	12	6
Y.M.B.C.	0	10	10
Y.W.B.C.	0	17	0
Boxes:—			
Miss G. Attfield ...	0	5	1¾
Mr. J. Billing ...	0	13	3
Mr. H. Brand ...	4	10	8¾
Miss M. Chaplin ...	0	5	4½
Mr. W. Chisnall ...	1	8	9½
Miss W. Cordwell...	1	2	11
Mr. B. Dry	0	2	9
Misses Farbon ...	0	6	7½
Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Foster	0	6	1
Mr. and Mrs. G. Foster	0	10	8
Mr. Goodchild ...	0	2	8½
Mr. Garton	0	3	9
Miss Gilbert ...	0	12	5
Mrs. Gravett ...	0	3	7½
Miss L. Hearsey ...	0	8	6
Miss V. Harding ...	0	5	0
Mrs. Martin ...	0	13	2
Miss McGill ...	0	9	11½
Mr.&Mrs.Nicholson	0	8	7
Mr. & Mrs. Parsons	0	5	3½
Miss Pickett ...	0	6	9½
Mr. Searle	0	2	9½
Mr. G. Shellard ...	1	6	0½
Mr. A. Snell ...	1	1	6
Miss Usher... ...	0	11	11
Mrs. White... ...	0	9	9½
Mr. Woodger ...	0	5	6
Miss Walker ...	0	2	7
Mr. F. J. Newson ...	0	1	0
C. C. A. L. H., for Mr. Brand's Medical Outfit	5	0	0

Sendamangalam Building Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Mr. D. Morling ...	2	0	0
From a Friend ...	25	0	0
Mr. F. G. Burgess ...	0	5	0
Mrs. Beach	0	10	0

"Herald" Fund.

Mr. Geo. Tyler ...	0	3	0
Stratford — Gurney Road	0	6	9½
Notting Hill Gate—Bethseda	0	8	0
Chatham—Enon ...	0	2	6
Ipswich — Bethseda	1	3	3
Walworth — Penrose Street S.S.	0	7	9½
Mr. A. W. Thrower...	0	10	0
St. Albans—Bethel ...	0	14	0
Per Mr. A. J. Howlett	0	6	4
Guildford—Old Baptist Chapel	0	14	9
Dunmow — The Ark	0	10	3
Mr. F. G. Burgess ...	0	1	0
Per Miss M. E. Norman	0	9	0
Chesham—Townfield	0	9	0
Brixton Tabernacle	0	11	0
Mr. A. Eastoe ...	0	1	0
Per Mr.S.H.Haddock	0	3	6
Homerton Row ...	0	12	6
Brentford—NorthRd.	0	8	0
Stoke Ash	0	10	0
St. Neots	0	13	10½
West Ham Tabernacle	1	5	6
Mr. John James ...	0	1	0

Reports Fund.

Guildford—Old Baptist Chapel	0	5	3
Dunmow—The Ark	0	1	9

MR. J. M. BRAND'S medical and surgical outfit will cost about £40, his ordinary outfit £25 and his passage to India £40. The Committee GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGE more than one generous donation for the medical outfit and WOULD WELCOME further contributions in order to relieve the General Fund.

MR. BRAND is expected to sail for India in the "PERSIA" on November 29th. *His deputation visits to Churches should be arranged without delay by writing to the General Secretary.*

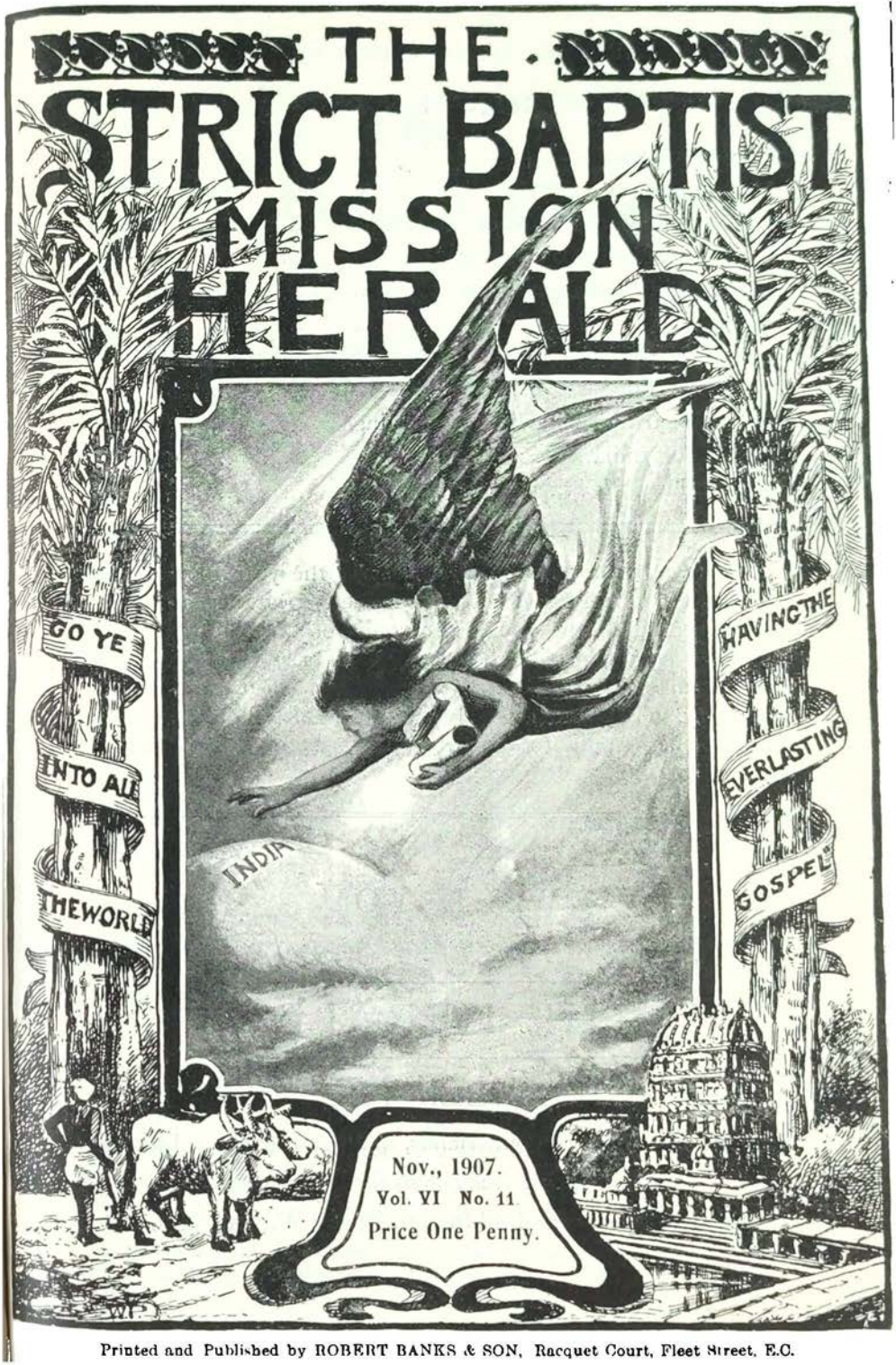
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ALL COMMUNICATIONS for the HERALD should be sent to the EDITOR, Pastor L. H. Colls, "Framsden," Western Road, Tring, by the 10th of each month, *at latest.*

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The Forty-sixth Annual Report for the year 1907 is now ready, price One Penny. Its attractive appearance and interesting record of the progress of our work for Christ in India ought to command a ready sale, and we trust there will be a large demand for it. This would greatly cheer our General Secretary, who has given freely of both time and labour in its production. Apply to him at 35, Farnham Road, Guildford.—EDITOR.

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CURRENT NOTES.

FAMINE is now throwing its dreadful shadow across northern India. An immense area is threatened, from Gujerat and the Punjab to Bengal. The horrors of such a visitation cannot be even faintly imagined. The famine of 1899—1900 claimed a million and a quarter victims.

We are glad to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Booth and Rex are all much better. Mr. Booth's insomnia has, happily, passed away, Mrs. Booth has benefited by removal to the new bungalow and Rex is described as "very bonnie." We thank our Lord for His goodness.

At the beginning of September Mr. and Mrs. Morling visited Sendamangalam, in spite of the inadequate accommodation and protection afforded by the stable. We regret to add that their hope of taking possession of the "house" by the middle of October has been disappointed, as will be seen on page 124.

The Incorporation of the Mission, which is now completed, enables the Society to hold the Mission property in India in its own name, and the property will now be transferred to THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION.

An appeal is being made by Indian missionaries for united prayer on Sunday, December 1st. See page 131.

Our Foreign Field.

Madras Brevities.



PALMYRA PALM.

WE have further extended our Zenana work by the appointment of Bible-woman Susannah. She is breaking new ground by visiting the caste women in the village of ARAMBAKKAM and neighbourhood, where we have for years maintained preaching and School work.

In order to make the teaching given by our Bible-women more efficient, Mrs. Booth has formed a Zenana Workers' Class and has commenced a course of lessons dealing with the great fundamental truths of our faith.

This is the counterpart of our Theology Class for Preachers and Teachers. In both cases questions are set at the close of each lesson, to which written answers are sent.

I feel convinced that our Men's Meeting at Semmencheri contains enormous possibilities of good. Last month I had the pleasure of addressing thirty-two Semmencheri men. Of these, twenty-seven were heathen who will not attend any ordinary Chapel service.

The police authorities have made street preaching more difficult in Madras by ruling that we have no right to cause a crowd to gather in any thoroughfare.

We have not yet been able to secure a site for the Vepery Tamil Chapel. For the work's sake we wish to build the Chapel near the present rented premises. Property in that neighbourhood has advanced in price very considerably. After long search and exhaustive enquiry I have been driven to the conclusion that we must be prepared to pay more for the site than I formerly anticipated.

E. A. BOOTH.

An Anti-Mission Campaign in Madras.

THE conversion of the caste girl JAGATHAMBAL, who was formerly a pupil in one of our Schools, has been made the occasion of the display of a great amount of anti-missionary feeling. At one time this almost amounted to a riot. Several men were arrested and sent to prison. The situation was viewed very seriously by the Chief Presidency Magistrate, who delivered from the Bench a criticism of missionary methods which, in his opinion, had led to so grave a disturbance of the public peace.

Each department of our work has suffered in consequence of this wave of anti-missionary feeling. Many houses where our Zenana workers have been quietly teaching the Gospel for a long time have now been closed against us.

At some of our regular stations the people have made preaching an impossibility. Our Workers have had mud, cow-dung and stones flung at them. A number of scholars have been withdrawn from our Schools and opposition Hindu Schools have been opened close by our Mission Schools. Printed notices have been freely circulated warning them of imaginary dangers and threatening parents with various penalties if they continue sending their children to Mission Schools.

Under these conditions it is not surprising that some of our Workers have been frightened, but each and all have kept to their work. This anti-Christian outbreak has interfered with our work, but I do not greatly regret its manifestation. Almost anything is preferable to the stolid indifference which has been characteristic of Madras for some years. It has the effect of making us realize more fully the stupendous greatness of the task before us, it makes more plain to us our own utter insufficiency for the work, and it causes us to seek more earnestly Divine help and direction.

In view of these fresh difficulties we renew our appeal to our friends and partners at home—"Pray for us."

ERNEST A. BOOTH.

Our First Lord's-day Service.

IN the cool of the morning of September the 8th we held our first Sendamangalam Lord's-day Service. Varatharajulu, his wife and three boys, gathered with us round the floor of our stable, which had been specially arranged for the occasion. You would have thought it strange had you seen us—one sitting on a chair, two on a low country cot, and the rest on the floor—in this queer place, just ten feet square, enclosed on three sides by mud walls and covered by a low thatch roof. However, the oddity of our quarters interfered little with our joyous consciousness of the Master's presence.

We commenced with a well-known lyric, Yasu Räsä, Jesus

the King. John xiv. and Mark ix. 14—29 were read and briefly commented on. Prayers were offered, interspersed with such good old hymns as "Gracious Spirit, dwell with me," and "When all Thy mercies, O my God," which we are favoured to have in our Tamil selection.

Varatharajulu's address on "Wilt Thou not quicken us again: that Thy people may delight in Thee? (Psa. lxxxv. 6) was most timely and very refreshing. It was a time of sacred joy, a season when we were drawn out to consecrate ourselves afresh for the sacred work to which God had called us.

The suggestion that we should make our first collection and so consecrate also our means to Him, was heartily adopted and acted on by all. D. M.

Building in Sendamangalam.

THE building of our temporary house at Sendamangalam is now making fair progress, and we trust that before these lines meet the reader's eye it will be finished and the place occupied.

Of course the fact that we have newly arrived in this part of the country has thrust numerous difficulties in the way, for the Hindu contractors, unfortunately, reckon to make a harvest of every new-comer that they deal with. However, extensive enquiries and various modifications in our plans have helped us considerably.

When we left the building last Friday, work was going on apace, and if all goes well we shall give a picture of the house in a future number.

Will our friends kindly note that we are expecting to move into these premises in the middle of October? when our address will be :—Sendamangalam, Salem, S. India. D. M.

WE regret to hear by a later mail that through very heavy rains and strong wind a part of one side of this building has fallen down. This has, of course, disappointed Mr. and Mrs. Morling's expectation of moving to Sendamangalam by the middle of October. The effect of the news upon them (received from Varatharajulu after they had returned to Salem) may be imagined, but they were enabled to rise above it, and Mr. Morling immediately started off for Sendamangalam.—EDITOR.

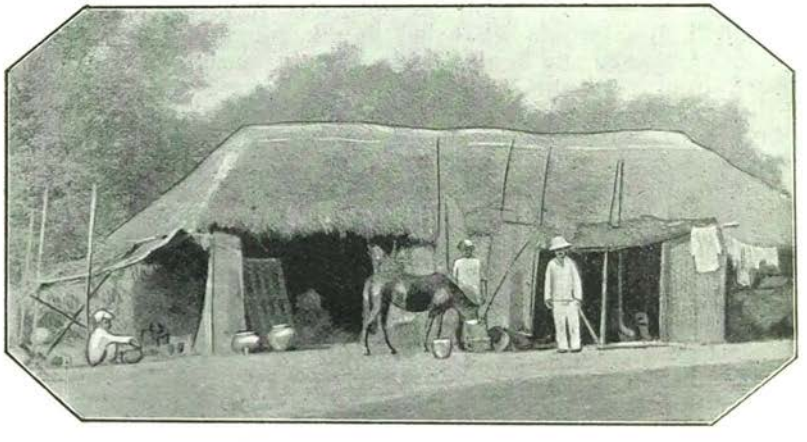
Ploughing.

I AM delighted to be able to report to our friends at home something of the spiritual side of the work in Namakal Taluk. Hitherto our visits to Sendamangalam and other places have, on account of the lack of camping accommodation, been so brief that speaking to the people has been more of an individual and conversational character. We have just returned from an extended visit to our future home, when we were fairly comfortably housed in our newly-completed stable.

The first morning after our arrival Preacher Varatharajulu and I went to ***Tuttikulam***, a small town of about 4,000 souls,

three or four miles from our building. We took our stand under a huge tree, where a large and attentive audience gathered. Before us were caste people and soon we found that non-caste were closing in behind us. Our catechist spoke very forcibly on the necessity of examining the religion we profess and on the sin of idolatry. I followed with the love of God as illustrated in the parable of the prodigal son. One of the hearers, an old lady, made objections, several asked irrelevant questions, a few walked away with an air of indifference, but many stayed and seemed interested.

Every Sunday, unfortunately, ***shandy***, or market, is held opposite the plot where we are building, when numbers of people come in from neighbouring villages and from the Kolli Mountains a few miles distant. This was too good an opportunity to be missed, and Sunday evening was spent preaching at the shandy amidst the din and hubbub of crowds of buyers and



THE SENDAMANGALAM STABLE.

sellers. Our energetic Worker laid stress on the necessity of distinguishing between the natural and the spiritual, the necessities of the body and those of the soul. The purchases of the shandy might satisfy cravings of the body, but only Christ, the Bread and Water of Life, could supply the needs of the soul. After each address the auditors were given the opportunity of making any criticism or asking any question dealing with the discourse.

Perhaps the most interesting and inspiring visit made was that on Monday morning. With the sunrise we started off in a bullock cart to a large village about six miles away, extremely difficult of access and surrounded by extensive cultivation. This is ***Nadupirappu***. As we approached it, taking a footpath across the fields, I was surprised to see thirty or forty men and

women leave their work, run away into another field and hide themselves behind a hedge. It was only after much shouting and many assurances of safety that we induced a few to stop and allow us to speak to them. On my asking them why they ran away, they said, striking their cheeks: "We thought the swami was coming to beat us, so we were afraid and ran away." How pitiful! I came as God's messenger of good tidings; they, thinking me an ill-disposed deity, took to their heels and fled.

Nearing the village, we found it surrounded by a thorny hedge enclosing the choicer plots of the villagers, and by another, which, with a stone wall, protected the homes against marauding animals. As soon as we ventured inside the wall the onlookers, who had been peeping round various corners, suddenly disappeared and we found ourselves in the middle of the village, deserted, and with every door closed against us.

After some persuasion the men-folk turned out and soon seemed interested in what they could understand of the Message so strange and new. Varatharajulu, speaking of the folly and sin of worshipping idols, elicited a remark from an attentive hearer which seemed most painfully sincere: "Yes, it may seem so to you, sir, *but it does not to us.* All is our swami."

This was the first time any white man had been seen in this part. We left a number of tracts, bidding the good folk to show them to the village teacher that they might understand more of the Good News God had sent us to tell them, and earnestly praying the Lord to open their hearts to a full reception of His Word.

Salem. D. MORLING.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for November, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 3rd.—For Mr. and Mrs. Morling, Varatharajulu and his wife Adaikalam; and special prayer for a heathen man in Sendamangalam, who has given up worshipping idols, that he may be brought into the Christian faith.

Sunday, 10th.—For a blessing on the Madras Zenana Workers' Class.

Sunday, 17th.—That our rulers may be guided to deal wisely with the unrest in India.

Sunday, 24th.—Special prayer for Mr. Brand, who leaves home for the Indian Mission field this week.

Our First Year's Progress.

A BRIEF history of the formation of our Auxiliary appears in the Mission Report, and it is only needful to supplement this with particulars of the result of our work during the year. We therefore give the following Report and Cash Statements, which were presented by Mrs. Silvester, the Hon. Secretary of the Auxiliary, to the L.Z.A. Committee on October 22nd, and afterwards read at the crowded Valedictory Meeting in the evening :—

"In bringing before you in as few words as possible the result of our first year's work as an Auxiliary, we feel we have great cause for thankfulness to our Heavenly Father. He has opened the hearts of our sisters to respond liberally to the appeals we have made. We have received (up to Sept. 30th, the date of audit) the contents of about 500 boxes. The money works out at an average of 4/10 per box. This we consider to be most gratifying, especially when we consider that many of the boxes have not been in use longer than six or eight months. We should like to take this opportunity of thanking each Lady Secretary for the part she has taken in bringing about these results. We are sorry to have to report the resignation of one Lady Secretary, Mrs. Baxter, of Chatham Road, Wandsworth Common. We have now twenty-six Lady Secretaries on our list, and hope it will not be long before we have other Churches joining with us in this work."

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS.

September, 1906, to September, 1907.

	£	s.	d.
Acton Tabernacle ...	2	16	5
Bassett Street	2	18	6
Brighton	4	12	6
Cambridge	2	16	10
Chadwell Street	13	5	8¼
,, ,, S.S. ...	3	0	2½
Clapham Junction ...	0	5	3
Guildford...	9	0	0½
Gurney Road	5	6	6
High Wycombe	3	19	6
Hill Street	3	1	0
Homerton Row	6	8	8
Hounslow	6	8	1
Kingston	4	0	6
Lowestoft	0	12	6
Lynton Road	4	12	0
Old Brentford	11	4	0
Prittlewell	2	14	1½
Richmond	2	17	0
St. Albans	2	3	8
Surrey Tabernacle ...	4	12	9
Penrose Street S.S. ...	3	6	6
Tring	10	8	3½
Walthamstow	2	0	6
Wandsworth Common ...	0	12	1¼
West Ham Tabernacle...	2	15	4
Personal	11	13	10
	£127	12	4½

CASH ACCOUNT FOR 1906-7.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
Contents of Boxes ...	127	12	4½
Donation for postage	1	2	0
	£128	14	4½

EXPENDITURE.	£	s.	d.
Cost of Boxes	6	10	2
Receipt books	0	13	9
Postage	1	2	0
Balance in hand ...	120	8	5½
	£128	14	4½

WE understand that the L.Z.A. Committee appointed a Sub-Committee to deal with any matter requiring immediate attention, and re-appointed the existing Officers for the ensuing year.

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

We shall be glad to receive brief Notices and Reports of Missionary Services and Meetings.

The Annual and Valedictory Meetings.

VARIOUS features combined to render the Meetings of the Forty-sixth Anniversary of The Strict Baptist Mission remarkable and memorable. The crowded condition of Soho Chapel, the memory of God's great goodness since last year's Annual Meetings, the interest connected with our forward movement, the earnest missionary tone of all the proceedings, and the pathos of a missionary farewell, all contributed to this result. But amid all these features, the statement made by our outgoing missionary, Mr. Jesse Brand, of his call to the Mission Field, stands out as the most distinguishing characteristic, for it was a clear record of gracious leading, unmistakably Divine.

The proceedings of the day began at 2 p.m. with the first Annual General Meeting under the recent Incorporation. This was a business meeting at which the delegates of the subscribing Churches elected the Council (or Committee) and officers for the ensuing year.

The devotional meeting began at 3.15, when Pastor R. Mutimer took the Chair and Pastor R. E. Sears read the Scriptures and led the meeting in prayer. Afternoon meetings are often a failure in point of numbers, and a congregation of 30 or 40 is regarded as good ; but at half-past 3 the area of the chapel was very nearly full and still the people were coming, until there must have been quite 300 people present. In an earnest missionary speech, Mr. Mutimer characterised Peter's address in Acts x. as his vindication of himself for having taken the Gospel to the Gentiles. Peter had not "believed in foreign missions," but had been converted to that belief by his Lord. He was followed by Mr. E. W. Flegg, who emphasised the responsibility of all who love Christ to make known His salvation ; by Mr. Colls, who, addressing himself for the most part to our missionary, said that the first secret of power was to be mastered ourselves ; and by Mr. Jesse Brand, who spoke upon the vision of the invisible Christ as the secret of endurance, and upon the necessity of seeing behind all difficulties and hindrances the invisible enemy of souls.

After tea, at which we had the pleasure of being crowded almost to inconvenience, the Committee of the Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary met, and at a quarter past 6 the evening meeting, presided over by Mr. E. Mitchell, President of the Mission, began. It was evident, already, that the meeting of the afternoon would be outnumbered, and it was not long before the gallery was full, the lobby crowded and the platform invaded. Many Churches must have been represented, but we had the pleasure of recognising Acton, Brentford, Brixton, Chadwell-street, College Park, Lewisham, Gurney-road, Homerton, Hornsey Rise, Hounslow, Hill-street, Lynton-Road, Bermondsey, Tottenham, Wansey-street, Walthamstow, West Hill, Wandsworth, West Ham Lane and Wood Green among London churches, and the following in the provinces—Bethersden, Cambridge, Chelmsford, Guildford, Ipswich, Lowestoft, Reading, Stevenage, Tring and Watford.

A large map of India, drawn on linen by Mr. Jesse Brand and measuring about 10 feet by 12, hung over the pulpit and showed the location of our mission stations. In the lobby an ordnance map showed the new field in the Salem District on the scale of 4 miles to an inch; and various publications were on sale.

After Mr. J. E. Flegg had led the congregation in devotion, the Chairman briefly opened the meeting, reserving his speech until later, and our Secretary presented the Committee's 46th Annual Report. This was already in the hands of the audience, and its appearance was clear proof that it must have cost our friend a large labour of love. The L.Z.A. Report and Cash Accounts were also read, and Mr. H. T. Chilvers then moved the adoption of the Committee's Report, characterising it as one of the best reports he had ever read in connection with the S.B.M., because of the spirit of evangelisation which pervaded it. Speaking of the world-wide dominion promised to Christ, he showed that while its fulfilment was not contingent upon, yet it was to be realised by, the faithful obedience of every believer. Mr. E. Rose seconded the adoption of the Report and spoke upon John xiv. 12, with special reference to our outgoing missionary, emphasising the words, "Because I go to the Father," as the ground upon which our Lord promises to His disciples the performance of greater works than His own.

The Motion having been carried, our President read a long and exceedingly interesting letter from Mr. Morling, adopting it as his speech. The main facts of the letter appear in "Our Foreign Field" on page 124. Referring to the inadequate and more than inconvenient accommodation at Sendamangalam, Mr. Mitchell made an earnest appeal to the congregation and the denomination to provide suitable quarters. Since our brother was willing to go into that dark region, was it too much, he said, to ask for a few hundred pounds to build him a house?

Alderman Brand, the father of Mr. Jesse Brand, in unaffected, earnest terms, which were the more pathetic because of their self-forgetfulness, expressed his gratitude to God for honouring him by choosing his son to be a missionary. The missionary spirit of the audience expressed itself in applause when Mr. Brand affirmed his belief in "Go ye into all the world," as well as in the fact that God would have His own, and also when he expressed his thankfulness for the great awakening in our midst.

Mr. Jesse Brand then related the manner in which he was led out of darkness into light and called to mission work. When about 11 years old he was **convinced of sin** at a little missionary meeting through a brief address by a farm-labourer to unsaved sinners. Deliverance did not come until two or three years later, when Mr. Chisnall preached from Isa. lx. 1. It seemed to be the voice of the Lord to him, but he did not "arise and shine." A few months later Mr. Chisnall preached a similar message from the same words in the same chapel, and it came to our brother's heart again with a power he could not resist; and in December, 1900, he was baptised, "and a very blessed time of experience it was."

Soon after this, when in his 16th year, the circumstances which led to his **call to foreign mission work** began to occur. The example and influence of a cousin with whom he used to preach the Gospel in the open air sometimes generated serious thoughts of the future and were the voice of the Lord to his soul. He shrank, however, from obeying it; various hindrances arose in quick succession—family ties, his father's business, the Sunday School—and after a few month's hesitancy the voice of the Lord was heard no more and all thought of foreign mission work was given up. Moreover, the joy which he had had in the Christian life and in the Lord's service departed, and gloom and sorrow overshadowed

him. He could not understand it. This went on for about a year, when, on the first Sunday in April, 1906, Mr. Chisnall read the story of Jonah's commission and disobedience and the Lord's second call. All the experiences of the past two years seemed then to be explained and he asked himself, "Am I a Jonah, too?" The result was that both he and his parents felt that this was a second call to him and must be obeyed. Then the enemy began to tempt him by saying, "This experience is mere emotion and will not last." So he resolved, before taking any step, to test it, by waiting and watching until the following July, when he would be of age—a period of 4 months. If by then the experience had worn off, he would regard it as mere emotion; but if not, "Then in God's Name I will go forward." The call, instead of dying away, seemed to increase in intensity.

There came, then, a **singular confirmation** of the call. He had read of the great advantage of a little medical knowledge in missionary work, and of Livingstone College and the "Mrs. Bishop Exhibition." After resolving to become a candidate for the Exhibition, he discovered to his disappointment that the last day of entry was June 30th and that a candidate must be 21, whereas he would be 21 only on July 6th. What did this mean? He took this to be a test of faith and wrote to know if it was an insuperable obstacle, when he was informed that the date of entry had been extended to July 7th! He immediately sent in his application, although with small thoughts of success, and on July 20th received information of his election to the Exhibition. He took that to be the Lord's direct confirmation of His call.

But there was **another confirmation.** He wanted, like Gideon, a second sign. So he applied to The Strict Baptist Mission, praying the Lord that, if it was indeed His voice he had heard, he might be accepted. And he was. "After two calls of the Lord and two confirmations of the same who would have been able to hold back?" said Mr. Brand; and the applause which followed, subdued and intense, showed how truly the audience were in sympathy with him; as also when, after adding that the step was not taken with any degree of joy but as a duty, he said, "But I bless God the joy has come since."

Referring to Carey's request to his brethren to "Hold the ropes," Mr. Brand closed this moving record of Divine leading with an earnest appeal: "Brother Booth and his wife and Brother Morling and his wife are down in the gold mine, even to-night, and you are holding the ropes. Praise God for that. And I, too, in all humility, would say, 'I am going down into the mine—will you hold the ropes?' I am sure you will!"

Mr. W. Chisnall, as Mr. Brand's Pastor, then delivered a tender and pathetic Valedictory Charge, based upon the words of Paul to Timothy (2 Tim. ii. 1), "Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." Addressing Mr. Brand as his own son in the faith and indulging in reminiscences of the past, Mr. Chisnall urged him to be strong in this grace by prayer, by fellowship with Christ, by meditation, by the Word of God and by faith, remembering always the Source of supply—"I live, yet not I but Christ liveth in me," and concluded an earnest and loving charge by saying, "With these words, in the name of this congregation, I would say, 'Fare thee well. The Lord of Hosts be with you: the God of Jacob be your Refuge.'"

This was followed by the Valedictory Prayer offered by Mr. Hutchinson.

The Chairman expressed the thanks of all to the friends at Soho for all that they had done, and the Vice-President brought a very memorable meeting to a close by pronouncing the Benediction.

Prayer for India.

THE need of *united* prayer for India is so greatly felt by missionaries there that they have issued an appeal inviting all Christians to observe **Sunday, December 1st,** as a day of prayer for the extension of Christ's kingdom. The following petitions are suggested :—

"THAT such a deep spiritual blessing may come to every Christian community in India, whether European or Indian, that all believers may learn to live worthily of the Gospel of Christ, may be drawn into deeper love and unity with one another and may be filled with a passion to preach Christ to those who do not know Him.

"THAT the present embittered feeling, which in some places prevails between Europeans and Indians, may pass away and give place to genuine sympathy, respect and brotherly intercourse.

"THAT many more devoted men and women may be thrust into the work of Christ in India.

"THAT the millions of Indians who have not yet heard the Gospel may be speedily evangelised, and that during the coming year there may be such an ingathering of souls to Christ as has never been before."

Can we do better than join in this intercession? Let us all unite in presenting these petitions at the Throne of Grace, both at home and in our public services, on Sunday, December 1st. Will our **Pastors** and **Deacons** take this up ?

Incorporation.—It has come to our knowledge that some misapprehension exists as to the object of the incorporation of our Mission. It will be well therefore to explain to all our friends that this step was rendered necessary by reason of the fact that an *un*incorporated Society cannot hold property in India. In view of the purchase of the new Mission bungalow it was felt to be imperative, in the interests of subscribers, to incorporate without delay. Now that this has been done, our Mission property can be legally transferred into the name of THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION. It should also be noted that an additional benefit will result from incorporation, viz., that subscribing Churches will now be far better represented than they have ever been.

The General Fund.—Our appeals concerning this Fund, out of which the current expenses of maintaining the Lord's work in India are met, have produced a response from "A Believer in Prayer," who suggests "a special prayer meeting to plead with God about this matter." Whether this should take the form of a united meeting or whether each Church should hold one at a pre-arranged time, perhaps our readers would suggest. Meanwhile, private prayer may be exercised, remembering that our Lord loves to answer prayer.

Mr. J. M. Brand's Departure.—We ask all our friends to remember the date of our missionary's departure for India Friday, November 29th—and to commend him and his parents and relatives to the grace of God.

Many will wish to see him off. We are unable to give definite particulars as to his departure. On inquiry at the P. & O. office we were informed that the arrangements are not yet settled. Probably these will be as follows : The P. & O. boat train will leave Liverpool Street Station at 11.30 a.m., and the boat will leave Tilbury Dock at 1 p.m. By the time the HERALD is in the hands of our readers Mr. Chisnall will be in a position to give definite particulars in answer to inquiry.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—You will all be very pleased to hear that twelve new cousins have come to join us in the Corner—Grace, Constance and Daisy Boatwright, Grace Flegg, Margaret Brand, Annie Norris, Colin Church, Lillie Thiselton, Winifred Hawes, Grace Church, Maud Fosdick, and Alice Catchpole. I am glad that two nieces belong to Tunstall, and you will all be pleased to welcome the youngest sister of our new missionary. You will be able to feel that you have a big cousin going out to India and you will of course be looking out for news of him

I am glad Vicky liked the story about Una. No, Ruth, you were not too late, so your little prayer was answered. Thank you, Peggie, for the story of the Golden Apple. I am sorry Elsie has been bitten by a dog. I hope her hand is not very bad. I am pleased to hear from Gracie, who is in Mrs. Stone's Sewing Class at Walthamstow, that her little sister Winnie likes the Children's Corner, and specially pleased that Mr. Rose read my last letter at the opening of the class. He was quite right in saying that I should like some nephews and nieces from Maynard Road. Will you thank him for me, Gracie?

Now, you want to hear about the questions, or rather about the answers. The questions were not *quite* as easy as they looked. All of you answered 1 and 2 correctly; nearly all were right in No. 4; but only one was quite right in No. 3, and this was Rhoda Hearsey, whose answer is: "Prophets and teachers sent them. The Holy Ghost inspired them to send them." If you read Acts xiii. 1—4 carefully you will see that Barnabas and Saul were sent by "certain prophets and teachers in the Church at Antioch," and no doubt they were led to do so by the Holy Ghost. I am sending Rhoda a little book, which I hope she will like. I am only sorry to disappoint all my other little friends who have answered so well. I hope you will all try again. I shall send a book to the writer of the best answers to my questions in this and the December numbers.

This month I want you to answer three questions about the Strict Baptist Mission, which you will be able to do very easily if you read page 6 of the new Report. 1.—How many Madras Evangelists, Zenana Workers and Teachers have we? 2.—How many Stations? 3.—Give the names of the City and Village Stations. Of course, you know that a "Station" means a place where a preacher, teacher or Bible-woman is stationed or placed in order to speak about Jesus. These questions only require a little care in spelling, and you can all do them. You need only give the number of the question. Each of you must add your name, address, age and Sunday School to your answers. Take care of the Report for future answers.

Now listen to this little story told by Miss Wilson-Carmichael about one of India's maidens won from heathenism. She says: "One of our older children lay very ill—unconscious. In the morning, the crisis past, she said to me quietly: 'Last night I thought I was going to heaven and I was so glad to go. But I was suddenly sorry. I thought all the angels would look at me and there would be tears in their eyes because I had loved our Lord Jesus so long and I had not brought one to Him.' 'So long' meant, then, a year and nine months, and she had, though she did not know it, brought at least one to Him." How many of you, dear boys and girls, are as eager to help to bring India's children to the Lord Jesus?

Your affectionate UNCLE JOHN.

Subscriptions received from September 11th to October 1st, 1907.

General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Miss E. M. Walls	1	.	.
Stoke Ash ...	3	11	7½
Mr. S. B. Caplin		5	.
Croydon—			
Per Miss M. Thomas	4	14	.
Miss Ledger and Miss Jarvis (box)... ...		3	9
Mr. Geo. Banks and Family	1	.	.
Haworth—Hall Green. Boxes:—			
Mrs. Naylor ...	1	7	4
Mrs. Kilmister ...		7	4
Mrs. Wakefield ...		5	2
Mrs. Earnshaw ...		7	.
Mrs. Kane ...		4	4
Miss Ivy Merrett...		3	3
Miss N. Murgatroyd		2	4
Friend		5	.
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„			6
Sunday School ...		3	.
Miss M. Beall		12	.
Bromley—College Slip Bible Class (box) ...		8	6
Poynings S.S. (box) ...		13	6
Mr. J. H. Rider ...		10	.
H. W.		5	.
Miss Ash		14	.
Mrs. Handley (box) ...		5	.
Mr. A. Wakefield ...		5	.
Hackney—Shalom S.S.		5	.
Miss G. Fowler (box)		8	.
Miss D. „		1	6
Mr. Millwood (box)" ...		7	6
Z., per Mr. Mitchell ...	25	.	.
Cheltenham — Bethel (box)		8	5
Annie Bishop		1	7
Prittlewell—			
Mrs. Fromow (box)	1	.	.
Per Miss L. Freeman		3	.
Tring—Akeman Street. Boxes:—			
Mr. Glover's Bible Class	1	1	3½
Miss Burch ...		3	1½
Mrs. F. Johnson...		5	3½
Mrs. Croswell ...		7	8½
Mr. W. Parsons ...		4	5½
Mr. Heckley ...		3	10½
Mr. Gregory ...		2	2
Mr. Jones		4	11
Mrs. Arthur Fincher		2	6½
Miss Toms ...		3	6
Mrs. A. T. Wright			9½
Mrs. E. Gower ...		3	.
Mothers' Mtg. ...		7	10½
Miss Eva Grace ...		1	11
Mrs. R. Hedges ...		13	9½
Miss Nellie Williams		2	.
Miss Dorothy Marcham		4	4
Mary, Dorothy and Edgar Colls ...		14	2½
Master J. R. Hedges		10	5½
Miss F. King ...		6	5
Mrs. A. Wright, Senr.		2	8½
Mrs. Jno. Gower...		4	6½
Mrs. Geo. Wright		2	5
Mrs. Herbert Foskett		2	5½
Mrs. James, New Mill		4	3
Miss Clara Osborn		12	8
Misses Maull ...	1	5	.
Mrs. Higby ...		2	.
Young Women's B.C., Per Miss Butcher		6	.

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Miss G. Butcher's Class		7	5
Mr. H. F. Forfeitt (box)		8	.
Notting Hill Gate— Bethesda S.S. ...	1	.	.
Miss S. Benstead (box)		4	.
Stevenage	4	.	11
Prittlewell—Providence Sunday School ...		10	8
Mr. G. Elnaugh ...		10	6
Willingham S.S. ...		9	6
Mr. J. Knight (box) ...		5	.
Tunstall—Boxes:—			
Boyton Chapel ...		8	6½
Sunday School ...		6	11½
Rachel Snowden ...		5	6½
Mrs. F. Meadows ...		5	2
Emma Smy		3	2
Mrs. J. Lyon ...		2	10
Eliza Cattermole ...		1	9½
Mrs. Brown		1	.
Mrs. Herring ...			3
Reigate—			
Mr. T. F. Lochead (box)		13	6
Lowestoft—			
Tonning Street S.S.		5	6
Mrs. Large (box) ...	1	18	6
Gurney Road	2	2	.
Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Sears	4	7	.
J. P.		2	6
Mr. S. J. Keeble (box)		6	.
Miss E. Butcher (Mr. H.'s Booklets)...		6	6
Richmond—Salem ...	1	16	3
„ Sale of Cards			6
Tonbridge S.S. ...		17	6
Mr. J. E. Flegg ...	1	.	.
Kingston-on-Thames— Providence—			
S.S. Boxes ...	2	14	.
Miss Millns		2	.
Miss Bedford ...		2	.
Mrs. Pilborough ...		2	6
Mr. J. Lambourn ...		10	.
Miss Lambourn ...		2	6
Stoke Ash S.S.:—			
Miss Whiteman's box		3	7
Miss A. Cracknell's box		2	5
Brighton Tabernacle:—			
Sunday School ...	1	5	5
Bible Class		10	8
Mr. W. Davey ...		10	.
Bassett Street:—			
Miss R. M. Fielder...		5	.
Woolwich—Enon S.S.	2	10	.
Mrs. Furlong (box)		5	.
Mrs. Patterson „		9	8
Miss Cocks (box) ...		10	6
High Wycombe—Zion:—			
Prartham Sabha ...	1	10	.
Heralds		10	.
Boxes:—			
Miss A. Rogers ...		13	3½
Mrs. Oxlade ...		10	6
Mrs. Hawkins ...		3	6
Miss Maunder ...		5	6½
Miss R. Rogers ...		8	2½
Mr. Morling ...		10	6½
Wooburn Green—			
Ebenezer S.S. (box)		18	5
Arthur Tidbury (card)		7	3
John Vernon (card)		1	.
Wm. Collett (card)			6
Clapham—			
Courland Grove ...	1	19	10½
Egham—Ebenezer S.S.	1	.	.
Swindon—			
Providence S.S.		5	2

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Trixie Wilton (box)		1	3
E. & J. Wilkins ...		1	2½
M. & H. Cripps			4½
Royton—Bethesda ...	3	1	7
Sunday School (box)		18	11
A Friend (box)		2	6
Ipswich—Zoar:—			
S.S. (box)	3	5	2
Miss A. Wright (box)	1	10	4
Miss I. Threadkell (box)		3	.
Mr. Farrow (box) ...		11	9½
Mendlesham Green ...		6	6
Aylesbury — Walton Street:—			
Mrs. Staddon (box)		2	1½
Miss L. Roberts „		3	4½
Miss P. Smith „		2	1
Postcards		1	6
Shouldham Street S.S.		10	6
Bath—Bethel S.S. (box)		15	.
Donations:—			
A Friend		5	.
Mrs. Brock ...		1	.
Mrs. Clare... ...		2	6
Mr. P. Robbins ...		1	.
Miss Sims... ...		10	.
Collecting Card:—			
Mrs. Webb ...		18	3
Cambridge—Y.P.C.S.	1	.	.
Mr. J. Cooper		1	6
Per Miss E. M. Alderson		11	
Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hindes (box) ...		5	.
Norwich—Orford Hill Sunday School ...		6	9
Lily Purling (box)...		2	.
Jas. Purling „ ...		4	.
Hollinwood ...	1	16	9
Bolton	2	6	5
Manchester ...	2	16	5
P. Postcards... ...		1	6
Missionary boxes:—			
Mr. H. Gruber ...		16	5
Mrs. T. Pearson, Nateby	1	3	3
Mr. A. Lawton, Leeds		7	6
Mr. Hesford ...		14	9
Mr. F. Cooper ...		3	10½
Mr. R. Whitfield		4	7
Mr. Wm. Chaplin		10	6
Mr. J. Chaplin ...		3	1
Mr. F. Chaplin ...		4	.
Mr. A. Littlewood		8	6
Mr. C. Punmery		6	6
Mr. David Mitton		6	.
Mr. S. B. McKee...		4	1
Mr. G. G. Cooper		4	.
Mr. S. F. McKee...		2	.
Mr. A. Haig ...		4	6
Hounslow S.S. ...	1	1	11
Bible Class		13	11½
Walthamstow—Zion. Y.P.M.S.	5	.	2
P. Postcards... ...		9	.
Watford Tabernacle...		17	6
Miss A. Applegate ...		8	1½
Mr. Thos. House ...		5	.
Mr. R. Ash		10	.
W. D.		6	.
Per Mr. Chisnall (P. Postcards)	1	4	2
Elthorne Road— Ebenezer S.S.		18	
Bible Class		17	
Brixton Tabernacle S.S.		12	

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Thame—			
Friend, per W. G. C.		2	.
Bermondsey—Lynton Road	7	8	.
Marylebone — Mount Zion :—			
Mrs. Barrat		5	.
Mr. Bunce		10	.
Mr. Barradell ...	1	1	.
,, ,, (box)	1	4	3
Mr. and Mrs. Cobb		10	6
Mrs. Douglas ...		2	6
Mr. Fraser	2	.	.
Mr. Goodley... ...	1	1	.
Mr. Grimes	1	1	.
Miss Gosling ...		5	.
Mrs. Howe	2	2	.
Mrs. H. C. Harris ...	1	.	.
Mr. Hazelton ...	1	1	.
Miss Harris		5	.
Mrs. Harris	10	10	.
Mr. Harris	10	10	.
Mr. C. W. Harris ...	1	1	.
Misses Evelyn and Stella Harris	1	.	.
Mrs. Lawson ...	2	2	.
Miss Lawrence ...		5	.
Chapel (special) ...	11	11	9
Sunday School ...	24	9	2
Mr. Millwood ...	1	1	.
Miss M. Robbins		10	.
Mrs. Russell... ...		5	.
Mr. Sears	1	1	.
Mrs. Sampson ...		1	.
Mr. Sennitt ...	1	1	.
Mr. D. F. Smith ...	1	1	.
Mrs. Tarrant ...		5	.
Misses Thompson ...		10	.
Mr. C. A. Vine ...		10	6
Mr. Albert Vine ...		10	6
Chadwell Street—			
Subscriptions :—			
Mr. W. Abbott ...	1	1	.
Mr. F. B. Applegate		10	6
Mrs. Banks ...	1	1	.
Mr. G. A. Beckett		10	.
Miss Bedford ...		5	.
Billy Bray... ...	2	2	.
Mr. W. Bumstead	1	.	.
Mrs. Eyre... ...		2	6
Mr. E.W. Golding		10	6
Mrs. Hoddy ...	1	.	.
Howard Institute, per Miss Pearce		5	.
Miss Lawrence ...		2	6
Mr. J. Martin		2	6
Mrs. Miller ...		5	.
Mr. T. E. Miller ...	1	.	.
Pastor E. Mitchell	1	.	.
Mr. H. S. Nunn ...	10	.	.
Mr. D. Smith ...	2	2	.
Miss Wilks ...		4	.
Miss Woodward...		10	.
Collecting Boxes:—			
Miss Beckett		5	8

General Fund (*cont.*).

	£	s.	d.
Mrs. Bromfield ...		7	10½
Mr. Butcher ...		4	10
Miss Dean ...		12	.
Mrs. Flegg ...		3	2
Mr. Gee		4	¼
Mr. Goodhew ...		7	2
Miss Hart		4	11
Mr. Licence ...		12	10
Mr. Linney ...		4	6½
Miss Martyn ...		16	8½
Mr. McKenzie ...		10	9½
Mrs. Miller ...		1	5
Pastor E. Mitchell	5	11	1½
Miss Morris ...		12	6
Mothers' Meeting (½d. box)... ...		5	6
Miss North ...		17	5½
Mrs. Pardoe ...		6	5½
Mr. Ridley ...	3	.	4½
Mrs. Shepherd ...		3	2½
Misses and Master Silvester ...	3	4	3
Miss Edie Parish		5	.
Sunday School ...	19	.	.
Missionary Sunday, July 15th	12	2	8
Brighton—Prarthana Sabha. Boxes :—			
Miss Botting ...		5	7
Mr. A. Cozens ...		8	7½
E. H. Elliott ...		4	.
Mrs. and Miss Fisher		15	3
Mr. & Mrs. D. Fisher		3	4
Mr. Gumbrell ...		2	6
Miss Haynes ...		3	3
Mr. and Mrs. Lucas		5	11
Mrs. Lyle		5	.
Miss Miller		9	7½
Monthly Meeting ...	1	6	3
Mr. Parkhurst ...		4	1½
Mr. Piper		5	.
Mr. J. S. Sears ...		5	.
Mr. and Mrs. Smith		5	.
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Anon.		5	.
Miss Chapman ...		5	.
Mr. Vickery ...	2	.	.
Miss Bates ...		5	.
True Sympathy...		4	4
Miss E. Light ...		5	.
Mr. and Mrs. T.W. Colson, Stoke Ash		10	.
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Miss Billington ...		2	6
Sea Lyte		5	.
Mrs. Lucas ...		2	6
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Mr. J. Stubbs ...		5	.
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Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary ...	128	14	4½

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Lee—Dacre Park ...		5	.
Croydon		17	.
Messrs. Banks & Son (sale of)	1	5	.
Miss Ash		2	.
Marylebone—Mt. Zion		5	.
Stevenage	1	12	6
Willingham		14	10
Tunstall	1	13	.
Lowestoft		14	.
Mr. S. J. Keeble ...		1	6
Tonbridge		14	6
Mr. C. S. Turner ...		2	6
Miss Smith		1	8
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Egham—Ebenezer ...		12	.
Swindon		5	.
Hownslow—Zoar ...		3	8
Mendlesham Green ...		4	6
Aylesbury—Walton St.		9	6
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Manchester		13	.
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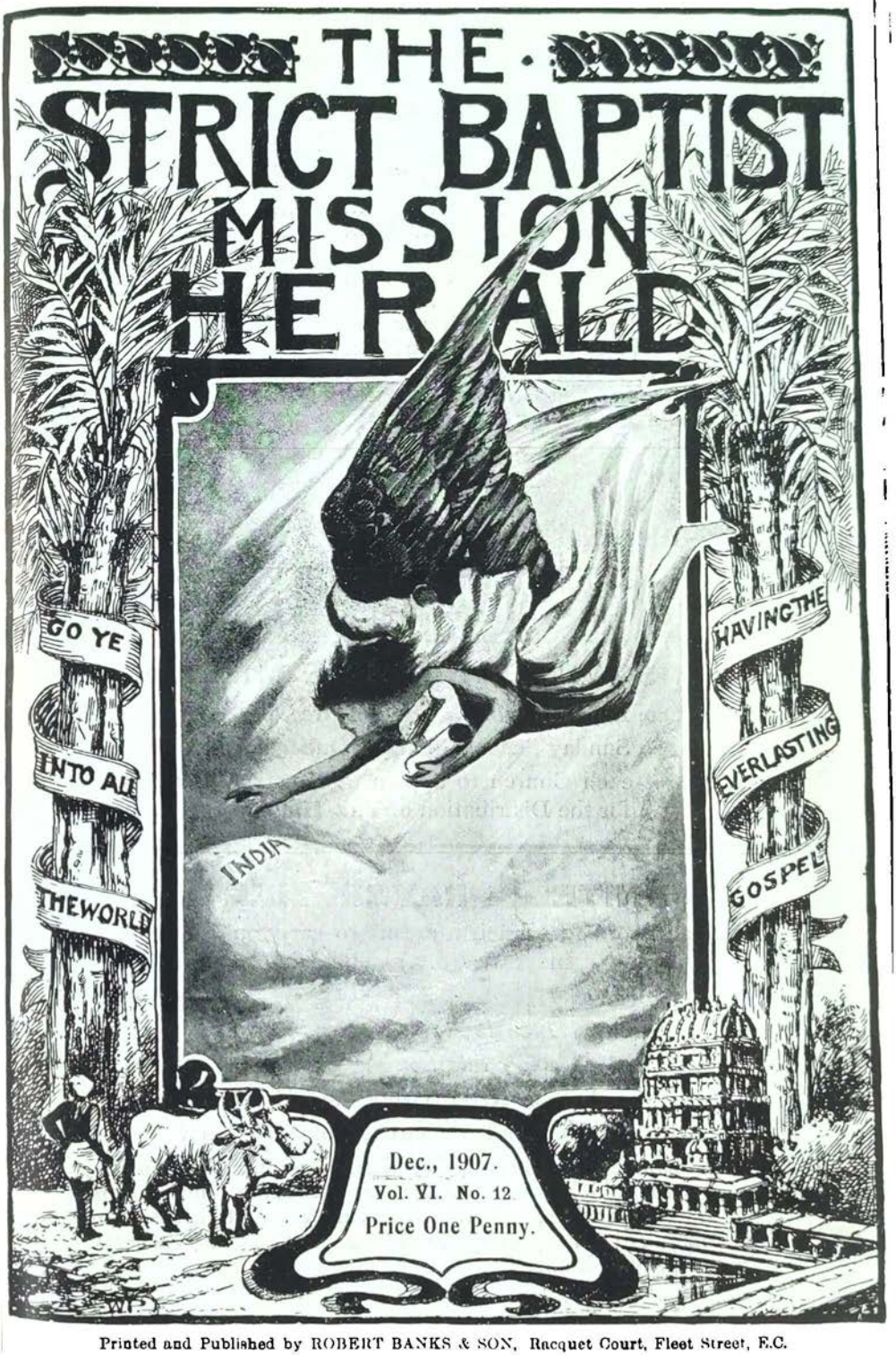
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Willingham ...		1	2
Bath—Bethel ...		2	4
Hollinwood ...		1	11½
Bolton		2	7
Manchester ...		3	11
Brighton— Prarthana Sabha ...		7	3

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To ask our Lord for sufficient means to carry on His work in India will (D.V.) be held at

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On FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH, 1907, at 7.30 p.m.

The President in the Chair.

Speakers: Pastors R. MUTIMER and H. D. TOOKE.

Members of London Churches, please attend.

The Council of the Mission desire to urge our *Country Churches* to hold Prayer Meetings for the same object at the same time if possible; but if not during the first fortnight in December. All who cannot attend these meetings are earnestly asked to pray at home.

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CURRENT NOTES.

RAIN, which has fallen in southern India and Burmah, is still wanting in northern and central India, and there is, consequently, no relief in the apprehension of famine. Good rain, even now, would do much to improve the situation. Is our Lord waiting for the prayers of His people who love India?

Let us pray also for showers of spiritual blessing. Sunday, December 1st, affords an opportunity, as suggested last month, of joining in special and united supplication for the success of the Gospel in India which we ought not to miss.

We rejoice to hear of two accepted candidates for baptism in Madras. These are, we hope, but the drops before the shower, and are surely designed to encourage us to "prove with our tithes" if God will not pour us out a blessing.

A new Station has been opened in a populous Pariah quarter of Peruvallur, a village north-west of Madras and midway between Sembiam and Koluttur. May this, too, abide upon our hearts before the mercy seat.

In spite of the damage to the temporary "house," Mr. and Mrs. Morling removed from Salem to Sendamangalam on October 10th. The discomfort they must necessarily endure for the present in this pioneer work will, we trust, be more than counterbalanced by the joy of their Master's promised presence.

We draw the earnest and prayerful attention of our friends to the appeal made by our President on page 141.

"THESE THINGS COMMAND AND TEACH."

(1 Timothy iv. 11).

BY MR. J. M. BRAND.

THERE are certain essential principles—foundation truths of the Gospel fabric—which are the "strong consolation" of the believer and the message of the true Gospel preacher.

By the time these words are being read I shall be on the "vasty deep," every moment speeding farther and farther away from the coast of dear old England and the friends among whom it has been my privilege to minister during the past few months, and nearer to India, with its idol temples and "dark places of the earth . . . full of the habitations of cruelty."

In the face of all that lies before—the difficulties, the discouragements, the temptations that are bound to come—the question arises in a very solemn manner just now, "Have you a *real* Gospel to preach?" Yes, praise God, we have, for "we preach Christ crucified:" His precious blood the sinner's only plea; His righteousness the sinner's only cloak.

We have a message designed by eternal love to bring hope to the hopeless, for it tells of One who is "able to save unto the uttermost those that come unto God by Him"—of a salvation which is all of grace and which takes the beggar from the dunghill of heathenism and superstition and places him among princes. It will be mine, with the help of God, to lift up Christ very high upon the Gospel pole and bid the stricken ones who are crying and dying because of their wounds to "look and live."

Moreover, it is our strength to know that God will use this Gospel to the salvation of precious souls; for the One who said, "Him that cometh unto Me I will in no wise cast out," said also, "All that the Father giveth Me *shall come* unto Me." The foreknowledge and electing love of God the Father ensures success to the preached Word. And when we see some whom we thought and hoped well of apparently going back to idolatry, our refuge will be in the words of the Master concerning His sheep—"No man is able to pluck them out of My Father's hand."

God forbid that I should go forward in my own strength to this work. It is a humiliating but necessary process to be brought to realise that nothing short of the power of the Holy Ghost can convert a soul and afterwards make that soul to persevere. Oh for the continual infilling and indwelling of the blessed Holy Spirit!

The dark night of heathenism broods over India. "Watchman! what of the night? The *morning cometh* and also the night." Turn your eyes to the east, ye watchmen of Zion, for there, even where thickest darkness reigns, is the promise of dawn. The rosy glow is the forerunner of morning, and the first streaks of advent light shall presently burst in a "bright and better day," when the Sun of Righteousness shall shine and shadows flee away. "Even so, come quickly, Lord Jesus."

Our Foreign Field.

Madras Brevities.

THIS month we are opening a new Station in the village of Peruvallur. Rain has hindered progress, but the thatched School and Teacher's House are almost completed.

The site for the Vepery Chapel has not yet been obtained. Prices are not any easier. Let us ALL persevere in prayer in this matter. God's delays are not denials. He WILL give us the best site for our purpose.

I am glad to report that the cholera medicine which I took to our Station at Koluttur proved effective in each case.

Quite on their own initiative our Madras members have commenced Cottage Prayer Meetings. These are held each Saturday evening in the homes of the members in rotation to seek God's blessing on the work of the past week and on the services of the following day.

Passing down a village street I noticed that several doorways had a string of fresh margosa leaves stretched across, with a crude drawing of the Trident of Vishnu tied to the middle of the string. These are believed by the Hindus to be effective in keeping away cholera.

It is still difficult to carry on Zenana work in the neighbourhood of Vepery and Choolai. Many of our former houses are still closed against us altogether, and some that our Bible-women have been able to retain cannot safely be visited by Mrs. Booth.

I have commenced a Men's Meeting for Hindus in our Pursawalkam School. This has been made possible through the personal efforts of our Teacher Dharmanathan.

With the exception of one place we have been able to carry on Open-air Evangelistic work as usual. Pray for both preachers and hearers.

Our friends will be glad to know that two candidates have been accepted for baptism and membership at Vepery.

ERNEST A. BOOTH.

Storm and Calm.

"He saw them toiling in rowing, for the wind was contrary unto them."

WE here, in Madras, are still feeling the effects of the "unrest" in India, how *much* mere words cannot express, for the little word unrest means so much.

As we walk down a familiar street we see on the white walls of nearly every house the words "*Bande Mataram*"

in large black letters, startling in their aggressiveness. And in the verandahs of those houses sit angry men, watching us, ready to do violent things should we dare to enter their houses. We think of an eager face in one of those homes, we remember a pair of wistful eyes in another, and there is a soreness in our hearts; but we are helpless, and pass on. At last, with a sigh of relief, we enter a house where there are no black letters, and gather the women around us for a happy half hour. But we look up and find the demon of "unrest" has followed us. A man with an evil countenance stands in the doorway glaring at us. We wish he would go away, but he stays and glares, paces the verandah, and glares again. We go on with our lesson, but those angry eyes have done their work. We see a shadow on the faces of our listeners, a nervous shuffle of their feet, a frightened wandering of their eyes. A timid voice at last suggests that perhaps I had "better go home as it is getting dark." It is 3.30 p.m. on a bright hot day in Madras, the sun shines fiercely, as only an Indian sun can shine—but it *is* dark, very dark—and we go.

"*He cometh unto them, and saith, Be of good cheer.*"

Yes, He cometh. When there is sorrow on the sea we see the Saviour walking on it.

I took this photograph on an afternoon such as I have described, to let you see that above and round about the unrest is God. The two women are our Zenana pupils; the little girl

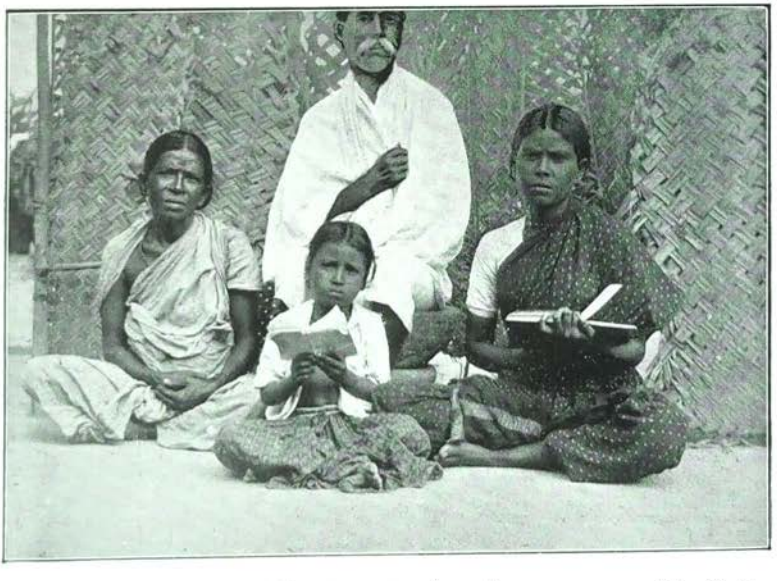


Photo by] "STORM AND CALM." [*Mrs. Booth.*

attends one of our schools. The younger of the two women has been a very intelligent pupil, and can now read the Gospels fluently. They are mother, daughter, and granddaughter.

But it is of the old man, the father of the family, that I wish to tell you. (I am sorry that only part of his face is visible, but friends must please make allowances for an amateur photographer.) For years he has been anti-British, and therefore anti-Christian. For years we have visited his home, but always feared to meet him because of the rudeness he showed us. But recently a change came. On the day I refer to he greeted me with these words : "May God bless your children, for you have brought nothing but blessing to this house. Your coming is as if the sun shone." This was a bit of Oriental rapture, which we took as such, but the kindly feeling was welcome on that troubled day. He then told us that through our visits he has learned to believe on the Lord Jesus, and feels that the Christian religion is the only true one.

The man is a Hindu, and wears the Sivite ashes on his forehead. Friends, pray for him, that *now*, even in this time of unrest, he may have courage to confess the Saviour.

WINIFRED BOOTH.

What I Saw in Sendamangalam.

"MY heart's desire and prayer for them is that they may be saved," was the language of my heart as for the first time I trod the streets of Sendamangalam. Those crowded streets, full of heathen people gathering from all directions to see their white sister, as we made our way to view the building operations, was a scene ever to be remembered.

We had scarcely reached there before we saw a turbulent mob hurrying by, dragging a poor, innocent bullock which was to be offered to the temple god just across the field. This offering was in order to win the favour of the deity and secure good crops. After the offering had been made, the flesh was disposed of amongst the crowd. In the homeland one can hardly credit such things, they are so utterly foreign to our Christian experience. Oh, the darkness, oh, the sadness of a Godless country ! Think of it, dear reader. Do not try to drive it from you and forget it, but just ponder the fact that numberless souls are daily passing away into eternity with no knowledge whatever of a Saviour.

> "And a thousand preachers were all too few
> To reach them ere they die."

After having seen our building we made our way to the god Mathuraveran, the picture of which you will have seen before this. As we return, another sad scene meets our gaze. On a pedestal in a big square facing a temple is a god, measuring about two feet long, black and dirty through many anointings with oil. Candles are on either side of it, and incense is burning before it, while on the right side is a chopper, or large knife, for slaying sacrifice. Now a man is seen with a basket in his hand, which contains cocoanut, milk, camphor, plantains, etc., which he is in the act of presenting to the swamy. Just as we were about to pass on we saw beneath our feet, for the first time, old blood-stains caused by centuries of sacrifice. I can hardly express my feelings as I stood there. Oh, how we longed that these people might be made to believe in the one

great Sacrifice for sin, even Jesus, who shed His precious blood that many of all nations, kindreds and tongues might be saved. How thankful we felt that we were favoured to be out in this dark land as witnesses for Him.

At last we reach the rest-house. The people have followed us in crowds and still they are not satisfied, but are now thronging the door and windows. It is only as the shades of evening draw near that some of them leave us and give their attention to the goddess Mari (small-pox), who resides in the temple almost opposite our shelter. Oh, how peaceful and quiet it is to be once more alone! As we knelt in prayer that night beside our table, which was our bed, our hearts were heavy within us at all the things we had seen, and our souls were burdened for those who were perishing.

"Dost thou not hear yon awful cry
Still sounding o'er the deep?"
"And ye who cannot go, oh! help
With the wondrous weapon, prayer;
While ye uplift your hands at home,
The cross shall triumph there."

RUTH MORLING.

Removal to Sendamangalam.

THURSDAY, October 10th, is a red-letter day in our history. On Tuesday we loaded up the majority of our chattels in bullock-bundies, and sent them on to Sendamangalam, after which we stayed at the municipal traveller's bungalow for a day, and made final arrangements for leaving. At 4.30 this morning we were astir, and before sunrise had started on our journey.

The temporary building is not quite finished, but rains are more frequent, roads are very rough and travelling to and fro takes up much time and strength, so we feel the sooner we leave Salem the better. We arrived at noon and halted at the native resthouse (see Oct. HERALD), heartily glad to escape from the cramped up bundy, the trying roads, and the fierce heat. We expect to stay here till our house is ready for occupation.

You would be amused, I believe, were you to see our present quarters. The open shed-like apartment in the centre is the only place where we can eat or sleep. There is but little room for furniture, so this is stored away in the diminutive mud house of a Mohammedan. Our kitchen, like every Indian place of that name, boasts no grate, chimney, or coals. It is open to our eating and sleeping room, and covered over with a flat roof of cocoanut leaves. As for our surroundings, perhaps the less that is said of noise and filth the better. The fact, however, that we are where our work is forms ample compensation for many such little inconveniences.

On Friday, 11th, we visited *our first School*, held at present in Preacher Varatharajulu's house. It is for Hindu girls, and is conducted by Adaikalam, the preacher's wife.

Sendamangalam. D. M.

Naina Malai Festival.

THIS has been a happy though arduous day with us. In the cool of the morning we started out in the jutka accompanied by our Catechist to a Hindu festival several miles distant. It is held in a temple on the sharp peak of a solitary and conspicuous hill. This rises most abruptly out of the plain to the height of 2,400 feet.

As we approached the foot of the hill we pressed through dense crowds of people gathered from the Kolli Mountains, a dozen miles to the east,

and from the plains, twenty and thirty miles to the south and west. Farther along on either side of us is a long line of importunate mendicants. Many are the worst victims of leprosy and other foul diseases, but others are most disgraceful shams.

Here is a small temple building where two Brahmins are seated giving out "holy water," which passers by wipe on their faces. Behind it rises the long, steep, serpentine path to the "divine place" at the summit. It is cut out in steps (surely at the cost of tremendous labour), and edged with slabs of granite. Though still early in the morning already thousands are climbing up, and are setting themselves to their task with wonderful energy and alacrity, all shouting the name of their god, and all taking, amongst other things, a small pot of ghee (melted butter) which they will pour into large open lamps of the primitive sort which are burning before the god Perumall. And when they reach their destination what do they find? A very dirty, black, oily stone figure about two feet high decked with garlands! How madly zealous are they in the service of Satan! How cold and indifferent are we in the cause of God!

Taking our stand at the foot of this lofty flight of steps we preached to the people the Word of Life, and told them of the one God and Saviour, the one Way to eternal life. *Many heard then for the first time* and wondered at it all. One very encouraging feature of our work is the selling of Bible portions and other Christian literature. On this occasion *we sold all our literature, and could have disposed of more* had we the faith to have taken more with us. Isa. lv. 11 came sweetly into our minds and gave us fresh hope.

Oct. 12th, 1907 D. M.



Photo by] A STREET MUSICIAN. [*Mr. E. A. Booth.*

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Prayer Subjects for December, 1907.

Week Beginning

SUNDAY, 1st.—Prayer for journeying mercies for Mr. Brand on his way to India.

Sunday, 8th.—Prayer for a heathen girl who has recently begun to attend our Sunday services and prayer meetings.

Sunday, 15th.—Prayer for our Bible-women, that they may have special courage at this time to witness for the Lord.

Sunday, 22nd.—Prayer that the houses in Sendamangalam closed to Mr. and Mrs. Morling through caste may be opened.

Sunday, 29th.—Praise to God for the progress of the Mission in 1907, and for special sustaining mercies during a trying year.

"Can Jesus Hear and Save?"

THE following pathetic incident will be of special interest to our Zenana friends. Mrs. Booth, in referring to the work of our new Bible-woman Susannah in Arambakkam, mentions the interested faces of the women to whom the Gospel was a "new, strange story," and who had never even heard the name of Jesus before, and then says:—

"We had an experience in that little village that is very rare. As we sat before a little hut talking, one of the women shed tears. I asked her the reason of her grief, and she then began to question me. Did I find Jesus Christ always ready to help when I asked Him to do so? Did the Christian religion keep husband and wife from quarrelling with each other? Did I feel that Jesus *could* hear and *could* save? and so on. Then she sadly said, 'But my religion does not give me all this joy.' As I rose to come away she caught my dress, begging of me to stay a little longer. I could not keep my tears back. How one longs to help such a sad heart! I felt my testimony had been so feeble, but remembered with joy that He uses the weak things. We may never meet that woman again. She had come from another village to visit her daughter at Arambakkam, but—did God bring her there to hear that message? Who can tell?"

Amounts Received during October.

	£	s.	d.
Hill Street, per Miss Harris—			
Mrs. Howe	0	10	6
Miss Widden	0	5	6
Miss Hazelton	0	4	4
Miss Goss	0	5	0
Homerton Row, per Mrs. Brett—			
Mrs. Herbert Haines ...	0	4	6
Ipswich, per Mrs. Chilvers—			
"Bethesda" Womens' Bible-Class, 40 boxes	6	16	0
Personal—			
Mrs. E. Baker	0	2	6
Miss Peay	0	6	6
Mrs. Matthews	0	7	0
Miss Rogers	0	5	0
	£9	6	10

OUR HOME CHURCHES.

A Letter from the President.

To the Supporters and Subscribers of The Strict Baptist Mission.

DEAR FRIENDS,—Very heartily do we thank you for the generous support you have given our beloved Mission during the year that has past. Your noble response to the appeal of the Committee has enabled the work of the Society in India to be carried on without a check, notwithstanding the heavy financial loss it sustained by the failure of Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co. For this we are devoutly grateful to our covenant God, who put it into the hearts of His people thus to come to our help, so that the threatened defeat has been turned into a victory.

Through the good hand of our God, working in and through our beloved brethren in the foreign field, ***the most important forward step in the history of our Mission*** has been taken. Our brother Morling has gone into a district containing 150,000 souls where our Lord's name is entirely unknown. Here is a wide field opened to us, but the difficulties and obstacles are many, great and various. It is only as we believe in the promise, power, and presence of our exalted Lord and Saviour that we can face these things. We are relying upon Him alone in our endeavour to discharge His own commission and make His name known among the heathen. We are looking for great blessing to attend the dissemination of His truth, although doubtless much ploughing, sowing and weeding will be required ere the harvest comes.

Each step that we take involves additional expenses. During last year many *extra* demands were made upon our "*General Fund*," with the result that it has been quite exhausted. We believe that you only need to be informed of this state of things to remedy it. We earnestly plead with you for generous and prompt donations to our "*General Fund*." ***We require at least £300 during the next two months*** in order to meet our obligations. Guided, as we trust, by our God, and relying upon your cordial and continued support, we have entered upon this forward movement. We cannot think you will be found wanting or fail us in this our hour of need. We are not unmindful of what you have already done, but make our request for further effort. If each subscriber will do something, £300 will prove no great burden.

Our mind goes back to David's joyous thanksgiving at the offering of gifts for the temple Solomon was to build. Said he

worshipfully and joyfully, "And now have I seen with joy Thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto Thee. O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers, keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of Thy people, and prepare their heart unto Thee." We anticipate a song of praise over your liberality to this portion of the Lord's work. Our God "*giveth liberally;*" should not we His people resemble Him in this? In response to the inarticulate cry of the heathen, which, being interpreted, is, "Come over and help us," and in obedience to our Lord's own great command, we have gone into the "regions beyond." Shall we, can we, appeal in vain to those who love the Lord for the means needed to prosecute the work? "How much owest thou unto my Lord?"

Yours in the love of the Gospel,

EDWARD MITCHELL.

Highbury, November 8th, 1907.

The Council.

AS promised in the recent Report, we now publish the names of the members of the Council of the Strict Baptist Mission, as follows:—

Messrs. J. Applegate, H. Baker, H. Brand, B. R. Brett (*Treasurer*), Pastor W. Chisnall (*Hon. General Secretary*), Mr. S. B. Caplin, Pastor H. T. Chilvers, Mr. J. B. Collin, Pastor L. H. Colls (*Editor of* MISSION HERALD), Messrs. J. W. Cottee, A. Cradduck (*Minute Secretary*), T. Crampin, A. E. Crisp, Pastor J. E. Flegg, Messrs. J. Fromow, W. C. Kyte, W. S. Millwood, Pastors E. Mitchell (*President*), J. Morling, R. Mutimer (*Vice-President*), Messrs. W. Pickett, J. H. Rider, G. Ridley, A. J. Robbins (*Financial Secretary*), Pastors E. Rose, H. D. Sandell, T. L. Sapey, Messrs. R. S. W. Sears, J. Secrett, A. Silvester, Pastor G. Smith, Mr. R. Sturton, Pastors G. W. Thomas, H. D. Tooke, Mr. A. E. Voysey.

The Christmas Boxes.

MY DEAR FRIENDS,—You will be interested to know that the "Christmas Boxes" of clothing, toys, &c., are now well on their way to India and are expected to arrive at Madras about a fortnight before Christmas.

It is encouraging to be able to tell you that through your generosity we have been able to send one box more this year than last, so that our missionaries will have six boxes full to distribute.

May I ask all who have contributed to these boxes to accept our grateful thanks for their kindness in supplying so many useful and pretty things, including garments, sewing materials, toys, picture-cards, &c., &c. No doubt many of us wish we could be present when the various gifts are given out, in order to see the joy expressed in the faces of the children as they become the happy possessors of their Christmas presents.

We must continue to pray that our dear missionaries in the fore-front of the battle against sin and Satan in that dark, heathen country may realise the presence of their great Captain, so that they may go forward to conquer.

Yours in our dear Lord's name,

LILLIE A. HARRIS (Mrs. Chas. W. Harris).

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The Annual and Valedictory Meetings.—The Report of these meetings given in our last issue, by an unaccountable oversight, omitted the amount of the collections. This was £51 4s. 8d. Profit on the tea, £3 12s. 7d. Warmest thanks to our friends at Soho.

The Children's Corner.

MY DEAR NEPHEWS AND NIECES,—Seven new cousins have come into the corner, viz., Elsie Tooke, Edith and Reginald Graves, Kenneth Robbins, Grace Gumbrell, Nellie Pinkney, and Emmie Church, and I have received answers to last month's questions from these and from Grace Flegg, Rhoda Hearsey, Maud Forsdick, Alice Catchpole, Rosie and Ruth Waters and Colin Church. I will tell you whose are the best when I receive the December answers. If you will read pages 7, 8 and 9 of the Report you will be able to answer these questions: 1. How many addresses were delivered? 2. How many hearers were there? 3. How many tracts were given away? 4. How many Day Schools have we? 5. How many Sunday scholars passed the All India Sunday School Union Scripture Examination this year? 6. How many pupils are there on the Day School register? 7. What is their average daily attendance? 8. What is their average Sunday School attendance? Although there are eight questions, it will not take you long to answer them. Write the number of the questions, and then the figures which answer it, like this: 1. 4,000.

As the questions are so easy I must take notice of spelling and neatness in deciding whose answers are the best. Let me tell you that the neatest letter and answers and without spelling mistakes came from our youngest cousin this month. Try to let me have your answers by the 10th of December.

Yes, Kenneth, of course you may join the Corner. Yours is a very nice kind of Sunday School. I wish there were many more like it. I am glad you are so interested, and I shall hope to hear from you again next month.

I am so sorry, Ruth, to hear that Alma has broken her arm. Yes, it is hard to look on the bright side of dull things, but I am glad you try. Our missionaries are having a good deal of that work to do.

I have been pleased this month to hear of two little girls who have been helping the Mission. I hope they will both come into the Corner. One is Minnie Jaggard, who has saved 6s. 6d. in two years—a halfpenny a week the first year, and a 1d. a week the second. The other is Gladys, who used to be in the Mission Sewing Class at Walthamstow but now lives in Scotland. She has not forgotten the Class or the Mission, but has been making garments for the Indian Christmas Box, and sent them last month with pencils, whistles, tops and balls, and her halfpennies for the Sewing Class Box. Well done, Minnie and Gladys! And there are others of you who have helped in various ways.

Peggie's story, sent last month, is a beautiful legend of the early days of Christianity, and is appropriate here. The people of a certain village were bringing their various offerings on a great festival day to show their gratitude for the blessings they had received. Among them was a little boy, who brought the only thing he had to give—a beautiful, fresh, rosy apple. His gift was accepted with kindly words by the minister, and the boy went away happy. But when the minister went to remove the gifts from the Church he found that the boy's gift had become an apple of pure gold, and a voice whispered in his ear: "*Thus does the simplest gift become as pure gold in the sight of the Lord, if it be offered in the right spirit.*" It is only a legend, but it teaches a truth which we all need to remember.

We have had 12 very happy months together, dear boys and girls, and now I wish you all a very merry Christmas, in the truest sense of the word.

Your affectionate, UNCLE JOHN.

NEW YEAR'S PRAYER MEETINGS

will (D.V.) be held on MONDAY EVENING, JANUARY 6TH, 1908, at the following centres :—

BRENTFORD at 7.30, Pastor R. Mutimer to preside.

BRIXTON TABERNACLE at 7.30, Pastor T. L. Sapey to preside and Pastor H. Dadswell to speak.

CLERKENWELL, CHADWELL STREET, at 7, Pastor E. Mitchell to preside.

HILL STREET, PARK ROAD, at 7.30, Pastor J. E. Hazelton to preside and speak.

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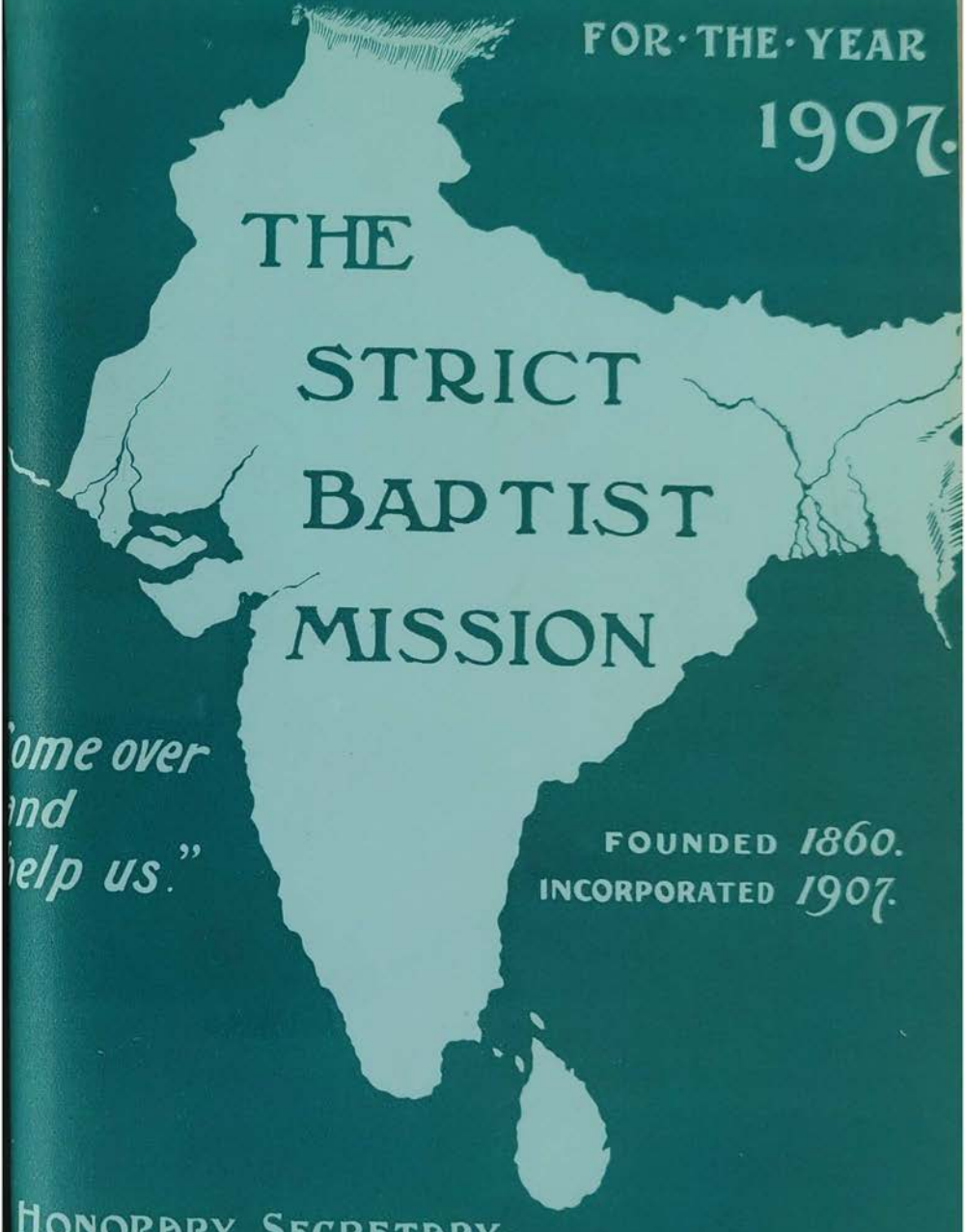
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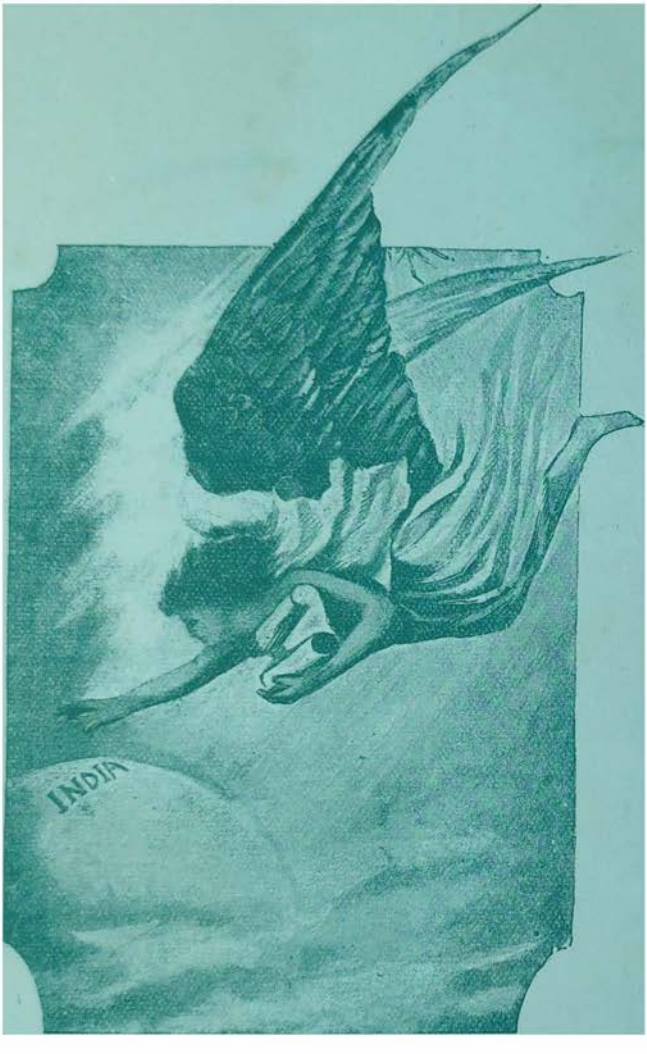


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THE FORTY-SIXTH REPORT

REVIEW OF THE YEAR.

"Our God hath not forsaken us . . . but hath extended mercy unto us . . . to give us a reviving, to set up the house of our God, and to repair the ruins thereof."—Ezra ix. 9, R.V.

THUS spake Ezra the scribe in his touching confession of sin in the name of the Jewish people. So may we, in the midst of much sin needing confession, thank God for what Ezra called "a reviving," "a little reviving" as it is in the preceding verse. Just as we were the most staggered by the happenings of the past year we were astonished by the wonderful works of God.

The perusal of the following pages will lead us to say in relation to the past year's work, "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes." May this lead us as a denomination to unite in special prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, so that the coming days may verify the Word of the Lord, "Ask of Me and I will give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession" (Psa. ii. 8). Thus we record the Lord's leadings and dealings, and pray He may own and bless the feeble attempt to glorify His name in sending forth an account of the work He has privileged us to engage in; and as He says, "According to your faith be it unto you," may He hear our prayer, "Lord,

increase our faith," that greater accomplishments may be ours to enjoy as we press on with the work He has given us to do.

As we remember that dark day in October of last year, when apparent disaster overtook us, and as we to-day realise all He has done for us, we *must* confess He has turned our darkness into light, our mourning into joy; thus would we ever be mindful of His mercy, which "mercy endureth for ever."

If last year was a call to be strong and of good courage, surely this year there is the demonstration we have received power because the Holy Ghost has come upon us afresh. Christ's witnesses go forth unto the uttermost parts of the earth, and here we have tried to set forth the going and the measure of success the Lord has given.

THE FOREIGN FIELD.

MADRAS DISTRICT.

BY ERNEST A. BOOTH, MADRAS.

AFTER a safe though somewhat stormy voyage in the *Oruba*, Mrs. Booth and I arrived in Madras on October 17th to resume once more our work in this "City of Distances." We were welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Morling, who had charge of the mission work during our furlough. We were soon busily engaged in gathering up the threads of our former work again and laying plans for a big forward movement, when on October 22nd the sudden, unexpected and staggering news came of the failure of the bankers of the Mission. This failure would not in the ordinary way have been such a serious blow to the Mission, as usually there is only a small working balance kept in Madras, but it so happened that less than a week prior to the failure of the bank our Special Building Fund of £1,000 had been remitted to Madras and was lost in the crash.

This financial blow put a stop to our forward movement for the time being. Brother Morling and I divided our existing work between us. In a very marvellous way our gracious God appeared for our help and rallied our friends in such a way that we were not only able to maintain all our work without a break, but were soon in a position to take in hand again our forward movement plans. We praise our God for His wondrous goodness, and again wish to express our deep gratitude to all our friends for the magnificent manner in which they have made good the great loss.

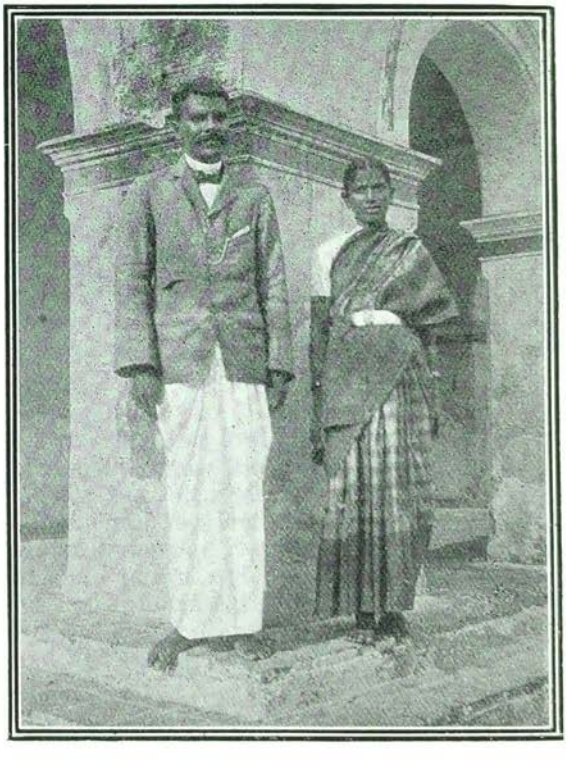
Loyal Friends.

Additional Territory.

It is with great thankfulness and joy that I record the consummation of my long cherished wish that the Strict Baptist Mission should occupy additional territory in the most needy portion of the Tamil country. After protracted enquiries and personal inspection by Brother Morling and myself we were led to settle upon SENDAMANGALAM, in the NAMAKAL district, as the centre for our new work.

Mission Bungalow.

Through the generosity of its friends the Mission has been able to purchase a bungalow in Madras, which will be the permanent headquarters of the Mission there. The bungalow is situated in a quarter equally accessible to our City and Village workers. The locality is healthy, and the house stands in its own grounds, which afford room for any enlargement we may find it necessary to make in the future to meet the growing needs of the Mission. Our friends will be able to gain a good idea of the Mission Bungalow from the photograph reproduced in this Report.



ABRAHAM AND MANICAM.

Broadly speaking, our Mission work falls into three departments—Evangelistic, Educational and Zenana. I propose to deal with the first two, and leave Mrs. Booth to report upon the third.

OUR MADRAS FIELD.—STAFF AND STATIONS.

There have been various changes in our staff of workers during the year. Ayanapuram has lost Preacher Varatharajulu and Bible-woman Adaikalam, these having been transferred, at Mr. Morling's request, to Sendamangalam to form the nucleus of our new staff there. Then we not only lost an exceptionally devoted worker by the death of Bible-woman Mary, but the effect of this great loss upon her husband, Preacher Dyriam, was such that he felt he could not work any longer. To our great regret he resigned his appointment and has gone away to a quiet village to live with some relatives.

Transfer to New Territory.

Our present Madras staff is composed as follows:—

EVANGELISTS ...	4
ZENANA WORKERS	8
TEACHERS	20
	32

City and Village.

These workers are divided between our eleven Mission stations, six of which are in the city of Madras and five in outlying villages, as shown in the following table:—

City Stations.	Village Stations.
VEPERY.	AYANAPURAM.
CHOOLAI.	ARAMBAKKAM.
PERIAMET.	SEMBARAMBAKKAM.
SEMMENCHERI.	SEMBIAM.
PURSAWALKAM.	KOLLUTTUR.
KILPAUK.	

Theology Class.

On various occasions, though not as frequently as we wished, we have gathered our workers from their various stations and given them lessons in Theology. At the conclusion of the lesson questions have been dictated to which written answers have been sent in. We have been studying "The Being and Attributes of God," and I hope to continue the course of instruction.

Evangelistic Work.

Our preachers work according to a plan arranged by myself, which provides for the regular visitation of each portion of their respective fields. We make a special point of preaching where large numbers of Tamil men gather, as at the Madras Railway



S.B.M. EVANGELISTS.

workshops and the Gun Carriage Factory. Our audiences vary very considerably, from a half dozen gathered in a retired village street to a surging crowd outside the railway workshops. As a rule the people listen quietly, occasionally interjecting a question, but there are times when the crowd is distinctly hostile and bent upon making it impossible for the preaching to continue.

The importance of this branch of our work can hardly be over-estimated, although direct results from it are most difficult to trace. The vast majority of the listeners would never hear the Gospel message but for open-air preaching in bazaar and village. During the year under review our preachers delivered more than four thousand addresses, the total number of hearers being 78,184. Our Evangelists are kept supplied with Gospel literature, and during the year distributed 22,000 Tracts and Bible booklets.

Personal.

Church Notes.

Our Gospel services at Vepery Chapel have been regularly maintained. We have preaching service every Sunday morning and evening, and prayer meeting each Wednesday. There have been two additions to the Church by baptism.

Baptisms.

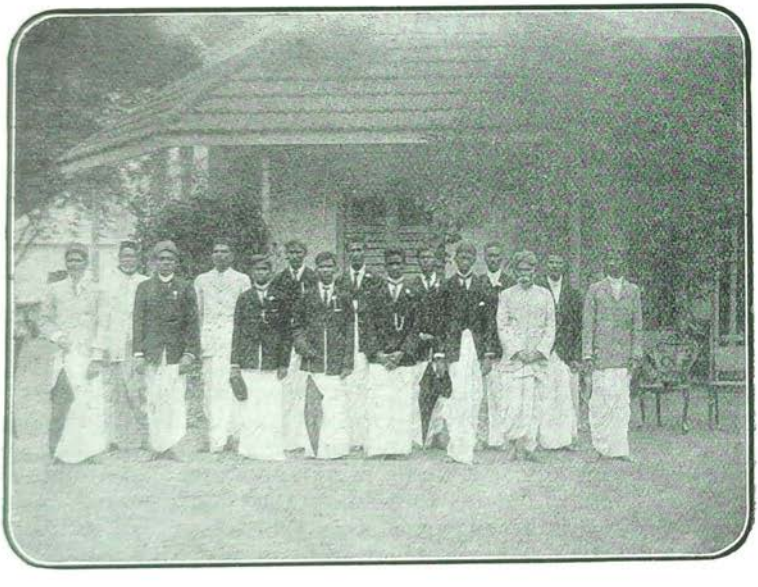
The Vepery Tamil Baptist Church, in addition to meeting incidental expenses, has paid for an alpaca

baptizing gown. It will be seen by the account given of money raised locally that the Vepery Chapel collections amounted to Rs. 61, and the Communion collections to another Rs. 15.

A Pressing Need.

Up to the time of writing all our endeavours to secure a site for the new Vepery Tamil Chapel have proved futile. Eligible sites are most difficult to get and are very expensive. Prices in this neighbourhood have advanced very considerably during the past two or three years. As the lease of the premises we now occupy expires at the end of this year, the problem is a very pressing one. May I again ask our friends to join us in constant prayer that God will show us His way out of this very real difficulty. Our Vepery Day and Sunday Schools are involved in this question as well as our Church and Congregation. My recent experience in this matter has driven me to the conclusion that we must be prepared to pay more for the *site* than I anticipated.

Prayer Requested.



A Group of S.B.M. Teachers.

Educational Work.

We have twelve day schools, including the one recently opened at Pursawalkam. Most of these are recognised by Government and examined by Government Inspectors in *secular* subjects for proficiency, in which Government made a grant-in-aid of Rs. 714. A goodly

Grants and Fees.

proportion of our scholars pay small fees monthly, the amount received in this way during the year being Rs. 238.

We lay great stress upon daily Scripture teaching. In each school I appoint the Scripture lessons and personally examine each class in this subject.

Scripture Teaching.

Each of our Day Schools is also a Sunday School. The quality of the work done in the Sunday Schools is demonstrated by the fact that 128 of our Sunday scholars passed the All India Sunday School Union Scripture Examination this year.

School Figures.

Right through the year we have had an average of 624 pupils on the Registers, with an average daily attendance all through the year of 458, and a Sunday School average of 405.

One of the boys of our Semmencheri School was awarded a Scholarship in the Government Training School for Teachers.

Finance.

The following figures show to what extent we are able to secure Indian contributions to supplement Mission Funds.

	R.	A.	P.		£	s.	d.
Education Grant ...	714	14	11	=	47	13	3
School Fees	238	6	0	=	15	17	10
Collections :—							
Vepery	61	4	8	=	4	1	8
Ayanapuram	11	6	3	=	0	15	2
Communion Services ...	15	2	5	=	1	0	2
Gospel Aid Fund	44	1	0	=	2	18	9
Vepery Chapel Building Fund Gifts by Mission Agents and Indian Friends	153	5	8	=	10	4	6
	R.1,238	8	11	=	£82	11	4

In bringing this review to a close I wish to say how thankful I am for the progress made on the field in the face of great difficulties. I am deeply grateful to the Committee for their splendid support, and especially to the Secretary, my dear friend Brother Chisnall, whose correspondence has been so helpful.

I am glad to be on the foreign field again, but am deeply conscious of my personal defects and shortcomings in view of the work to be done. In entering upon another year of service I confess that all my hope and inspiration is founded on the glorious fact that

"Under an Eastern sky,
Amid a rabble cry,
A Man went forth to die—
For me."



S.B.M. ZENANA WORKERS.

ZENANA WORK.

BY MRS. BOOTH.

OUR Zenana work has been steadily maintained during the year. Our staff of workers now numbers eight. Bible-woman Christiana, who was baptised in the early part of the year by Mr. Booth, was appointed to work in the populous district of Pursawalkam. Bible-woman Mary was called to higher service soon after our return from England, and her place was taken by Jevamani.

Summary. Our Bible-women visit between them 305 Hindu homes, the average number of women in each house being five. Of these 113 are learning to read, and many of them have advanced far enough to be able to read the Gospel for themselves. Several Gospel portions were purchased by the heathen women. 10,083 visits were paid during the year, the Gospel of God's grace being set forth on each occasion to our heathen sisters.

The following table may help to make more familiar to our readers the names of our Bible-women, and the extent of their work. May it also inspire deeper sympathy, and more earnest prayer for this important branch of the Lord's work.

Bible-women.	Districts Visited.	No. of Houses.
ANBAI	MADAVAUKAM, KILPAUK	33
ELIZABETH... ...	CHOOLAI...	30
ARSEERVATHAM ..	VEPERY, LASCAR LINES	34
SAMPOORANAM ...	PERIAMETTU...	34
D. CHRISTIANA ...	PURSAWALKAM	26
MARTHA	AYANAPURAM...	50
V. CHRISTIANA ...	AYANAPURAM...	50
JEEVAMANI... ...	SEMBARAMBAKKAM ...	48

In many of the homes we have seen an eager interest displayed in Christianity by our hearers. Some have confessed that they no longer believe in Hinduism, but have not the courage to confess their faith in Jesus Christ. One heathen woman said to us, "This Gospel that you teach us is pure; there is nothing wicked or unclean in it as there is in Hinduism." Another exclaimed, "It is as sweet to me as a ripe fruit."

Hindu Verdicts.

In some instances, the men in the homes who at first sneered, or merely tolerated us, now sit down and quietly listen to the message. One hard old man, who was always rude when we visited his family, now graciously invites us into his verandah, and sits down with his daughters to hear. On one occasion, after we had been reading of the Saviour's crucifixion, we heard him reverently and wonderingly say again and again, "A crown of *thorns*, and He bore it all—for sinners."

We have traced the good hand of our God in the trodden paths, guiding, blessing, helping, and we would fain serve Him in the future with renewed energy and deeper devotion. Who will come over and help us? It is a holy joy to me to participate in this work, but I am all the while conscious that home claims prevent me from giving it all the supervision it needs. To thoroughly superintend our present Zenana work, and to effectually enter the doors that God seems opening to us, we require one who can give her whole time and strength, as I am not able to do.

Who will Respond?

Will our L.Z.A. members specially and earnestly ask God to send us a labourer to work in this vineyard of women's hearts?

"Who, who will go, Salvation's story telling,
Looking to Jesus, counting not the cost?"

NAMAKAL DISTRICT.

By D. Morling.

RECENT events on the field lead me to write in a prospective rather than a retrospective vein. A brief review, however, of the past year is necessary.

The return of Mr. and Mrs. Booth from England last October marks the first circumstance of note in the year's work. The day of their arrival, though dark and threatening without, was gladdening and inspiriting within.

Events rapidly followed. A few days after our brother and sister joined us, we heard the distressing news of the suspension of payment of the Bankers of the Mission. This could hardly have come at a more inopportune time—when the £1,000 for building had just been deposited, and the Indian Building Fund and the Agents' local funds contained good balances. Now, however, as we look back upon this trial, so heavy and humbling, we see God's good hand, and praise Him for a stronger faith, a purer love, a deeper consecration to His service, and take courage in perceiving amongst the Churches at home increased sympathy and widened interest in the Mission.

Notwithstanding this adversity, preaching and teaching by the Agents were carried on as before, and within a few days the field was divided—Brother Booth undertaking the City work, and I the charge of Village Stations.

At the close of the year, 1906, in accordance with the Committee's instructions, enquiries were set on foot regarding a new sphere of service. In March Brother Booth and I made an extensive journey in a district to the West of Madras, and though we had previously, through Government reports, familiarized ourselves with certain conditions of the people, we were surprised and saddened to find such large tracts of country absolutely without any knowledge of the Gospel. After much prayer and consideration, we felt the way was clearly opened for our entering the Eastern part of the Namakal Taluk. Without doubt, from the missionary's point of view, this is the most needy part of the whole vast Tamil country.

After handing over the charge of the Village Stations to Brother Booth, I made another visit to Namakal, to determine the location of headquarters, and to make arrangements for house accommodation. Sendamangalam, a town of about 14,000 inhabitants, was chosen as our centre, and as it was found impossible to secure a native house, a piece of land was taken on a short lease, and we are now erecting a small temporary building. Here we hope to stay until the healthiest locality has been discovered, the funds for building a permanent bungalow have been obtained, a site has been purchased, and

our future quarters erected. When I say that the nearest bungalow to Sendamagalam is thirty miles distant—where we are now staying—the urgency of this movement will be clear and palpable.

On July 12th, the day of the second Pastors' Conference in London, we left Madras for Salem. Our stay here will be brief, as it is but to enable me to be in touch with Sendamangalam until the temporary residence has been made ready. Since our arrival several visits have been made both by cycle and by jutka bundy. The work of raising the house is being pushed on as quickly as possible, and if weather permit and



MADRAS FAREWELL TO MR. AND MRS. MORLING.
Some of the Workers and Children who assisted at Mr. and Mrs. Morling's Farewell at Vepery, April, 1907.

workmen are favourable we expect to be living at headquarters by the beginning of October.

Our first Agent is Preacher Varatharajulu, late Catechist of Ayanapuram, near Madras. At his own oft-repeated request he has been transferred to Sendamangalam, and, in my absence, is taking the oversight of the building operations there. His desire for months has been to go into the darker interior and preach the blessed Gospel of the grace of God to those of his fellow-countrymen who have never heard of Christ.

My visits to Namakal Taluk have given me glimpses of the

true state of the people, which is, indeed appalling — of heathenism, which is, in truth, the "night of Asia." Many parts of its worship, a description of which common decency forbids, its demonology with all its "canonised sins," its elaborate system of caste with its ostracisms and attendant brutalities, have so saturated the social life of these deluded ones that it has become a veritable mass of corruption, obnoxious even to Hindus. The vulgar character of the idols set up "on every high hill, and under every green tree," the obscene figures chiselled on every temple dome and chariot side, the pantheon of impure deities and the hosts of half-clad, down-trodden women, reveal even to the casual visitor something of the meaning of heathenism; but what the half-hidden actual, the shrouded reality, is, only those know who have seen and felt.

Such is the sad condition of those who, not liking "to retain God in all their thoughts," change "the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things." Such is the state of this Christless, Gospel-less corner of the earth to which God has led us. We ask with Paul, "How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?"

The Hero of Intoxicants.

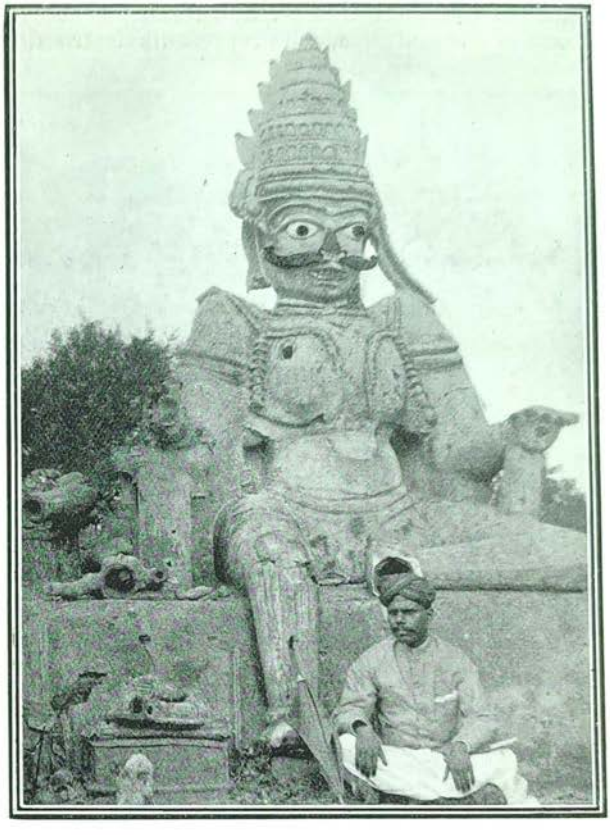
THIS picture was taken on my last visit to Sendamangalam, known in that locality as Mathuravuran. The name means Hero of Intoxicants, and incredible as it may seem to us, the only indulgences of this deity are adultery, toddy and arrack* drinking, and the opium habit. The devotees, who are chiefly of the Chukler or Leather-worker caste, when they wish to avert any evil, bring the three above-mentioned commodities, present them to the god, make their petition, take home the drink and opium, and indulge in a wild orgy.

By the dilapidated appearance of the idol, the reader might imagine it is now forsaken. This is by no means the case. Not only has the god a large number of votaries emulating his licentious example, but his pictures are hung on the walls of the houses and worshipped.

The leather-workers' god is made of plaster, and is hollow; and as it easily gets out of repair, once in every three years it is mended and painted in glaring colours.

Varatharajulu, our first Agent in the new field, and stationed in Sendamangalam, is sitting in front. Mathuravuran's seat is about a furlong from our building.

* A spirituous liquor distilled from the juice of the cocoanut and other palms.



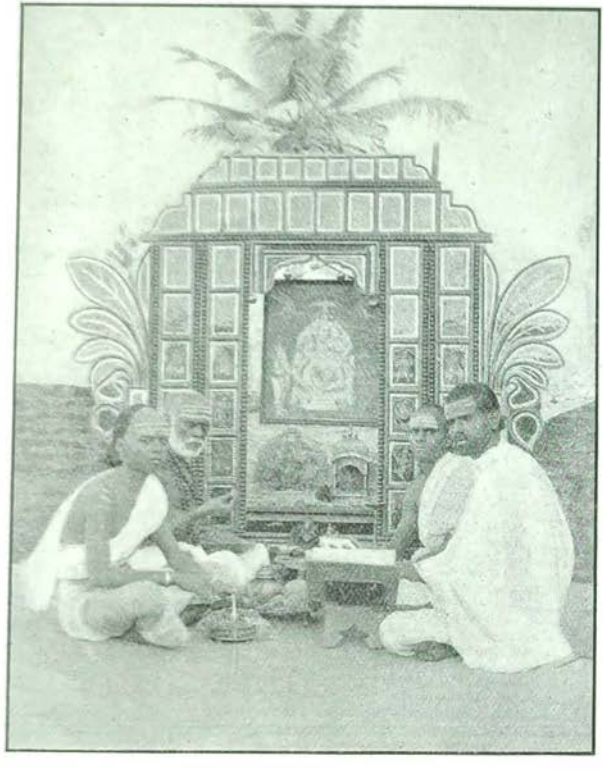
HERO OF INTOXICANTS.

Saivite Brahmins.

THE picture below was taken by a native friend in Salem, and represents four Brahmins in the act of worshipping a local deity. If the reader looks for detail he will see two images depicted in the centrepiece below the god they are approaching, which is about six inches long. In front of one man is a copy of the Vedas on a little bookrest, which prevents the reader unduly handling the sacred volume. Before the idol are plantains, cocoanuts, oil, milk, and flowers, all presented by these votaries.

And these men, of the highest and strictest caste in the land, represent the intellect and thought of India! They are trained in the subtlest of philosophies, and are thoroughly conversant with several difficult languages! They are the Pharisees, blind leaders of the blind.

The lines of ashes smeared on their foreheads show they are the followers of the god Siva, who represents destruction.



WORSHIPPING A LOCAL DEITY.

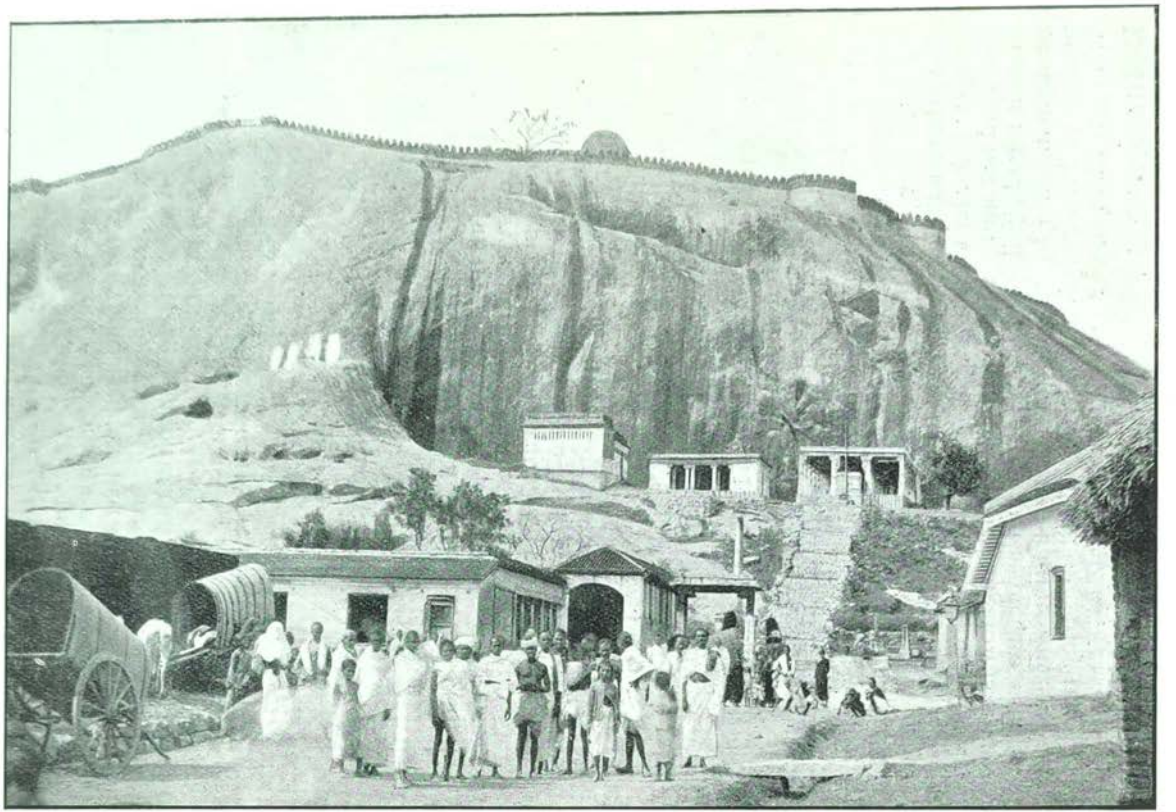
Namakal.

"They also built them high places, and images, and groves, on every high hill, and under every green tree."

IN the accompanying picture we find the origin of the name Namakal, which really means the rock of the Vaishnavu Trident. The sign of Vishnu,* a red and white Trident, has probably been observed by the reader in some of our illustrations on the foreheads of our school boys; it is often erroneously called a caste mark, but really denotes the favourite god of the wearer. This sign is painted very large in several places on the huge, barren rock of the picture.

Round the top of the hill are seen the battlements of a

* The Hindu deity called "The Preserver."



TALUK TOWN OF NAMAKAL.

massive and ancient stone wall, which encloses a still more ancient temple and fort. At the foot is the Taluk town of Namakal, renowned for its orthodoxy.

As I sit in a traveller's rest-house with this famous citadel towering before me, the cold, grey, precipitous old rock, its many shrines at its base and up its one accessible side, the white and red Naman (the Trident) that ever meets our eye, the dark, ancient, battlemented wall, the fort with its temple and den of sin, all seem to fitly symbolize the mighty power against which we fight—Hinduism.

SALEM.

BY RUTH MORLING.

THE City of Salem, where we are now staying for a short time while our temporary residence at Sendamangalam is being erected, is, like all the other parts of Southern India, full of idols of every description, and wickedness abounds on every hand. As I write, the sound of tomtoms is clearly heard a short distance away. This has been a week of festivity with the heathen people in this district, that is if running spears and needles through their sides and tongues can be considered festive. All these terrible things go on under the name and cloak of religion.

Can you realize, dear reader, what a terrible state these people are in? Many a time during the past week our hearts have been sad and heavy within us, and we have cried from the depth of our soul, "Oh God, how long? How long wilt Thou tarry? When wilt Thou come and touch this people?"

We, dear friends, have now entered a new field. Our desires are many; our prayers are up unto Him that He will through our labours draw many souls to Himself. We are expecting great things of Him. Will He fail us? The promise stands, "Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name I will do it."

Perhaps some may question the reality of the idolater's religion; if so, let them come to India and see for themselves. In a field not many steps from where our bungalow is situated, there is a god similar to the one seen in the picture sent from Sendamangalam by Mr. Morling. Surrounding this god are a number of life-size plaster horses. What are they there for? Who put them there?

Delusion.

Listen to a conversation that goes on in front of the image between Mr. Morling and a native man. "What is the name of this god?" "Muniyan." "What is it for?" "For worshipping." "But what is the good of worshipping it; it is

only made of mud?" "When our children or our cows are sick, we bring cocoanuts, oil, and plantains, and present them to him; then he is pleased, his anger is appeased, and he heals them of their diseases." "But do you really believe that that mud image is able to do all these things for you?" The answer came with a look of astonishment to think that anyone should doubt his belief, or the power of the image. Then he gave several instances of how his relations had been healed through it, and said the clay horses which surrounded it were the offerings of gratitude from the people. The horses are presented so that the god and his wife may ride out after dark and roam about over the fields in search of evil spirits; so the people are afraid to be out at night when there is no moon, as they believe the god would, if it were to see them, destroy them as evil spirits.

So Great is their Superstition.

But how much greater is the darkness within them. They are without God. They have no hope in this world, or in the world to come. Can you realise, dear reader, what this means? Even you who are Christians, does it ever cost you a sleepless night to think that thousands of these people are daily passing away into eternity

Without God.

What a terrible thought! If you have never thought of it before, do so just now, while your eyes are on these lines, and ask yourself what you can do for the heathen.

Perhaps you say that you are doing all you can. You cannot come to India as a missionary, but you help support the Mission, and you take the HERALD, and are constant in your prayers for us. Yes, dear friends, we know you are, and we appreciate your generous aid. But let me suggest one other thing that you could do

To Help Us

here in India. We know that many Churches at home do all they can to help our Mission, yet many of them do not even know we have a Mission. Now I want you to make a vow with yourself even now, as these lines meet your eye, to get a certain number of New Subscribers for the HERALD during this New Year, and do all you can to let the Churches who are in darkness concerning our work know that there is a Strict Baptist Mission. If you will do this it will be helping so much more, and we are so much in need of your aid, for our funds are low, and yet the demand on them is growing greater. Our New Field, with the temporary building, all costs the Society extra expense.

May the richest blessing of Him who has said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me," abide very sweetly upon you.

OUR NEW MISSIONARY.

RETROSPECTIVE AND PROSPECTIVE.

By Jesse M. Brand.

TO-DAY we stand upon the threshold of a New Year in the history of our Mission, and are able to cast a look backwards over the past, marked by many an "Ebenezer," and forward into the future, shrouded in mystery, but gleaming bright by reason of the promise of the Master, "Lo, I am with you all the days."

The Backward Look.

My time during the past year has been devoted to two things—study at Livingstone College, and Deputation work among the Churches. A few words with regard to the Livingstone course may be interesting. Lasting, as it does, only a year, the course is obviously not intended to give full medical qualification. The chief objects are to enable the missionary to care for his own health and for that of his fellow-missionaries, and also to deal with the simpler ailments of the natives amongst whom he works. For this purpose, instruction is given in Anatomy and Physiology, Elementary Medicine and Surgery, Obstetrics, Dentistry, Nursing and Hygiene. Special attention is given to tropical diseases, and students have the use of a well-equipped laboratory (see illustration), where the high powers of the microscope reveal the tiny, but terribly potent, organisms which are the cause of so much disease and death in tropical regions. But beside the lectures on these subjects, which might be described as the theoretical part of the course, there is the practical aspect, which is of such immense importance and value to the missionary on the field. This is gained at several of the large London Hospitals, where the students act as dressers under the direction and supervision of the resident medical staff. Here there is plenty of work to be done, and one is often kept busy from 10 a.m. till 2 p.m. The first two hours are generally spent in the general Receiving Room, through which an immense number of sick folk pass—"of blind, halt and lame"—and where one is in attendance upon all kinds of acccidents, from the child who comes in crying with a cut finger or bruised leg, to the "Epileptic," the poisoned, and the victims of those street accidents which are so common in London.

Sad Impressions.

As I write, one scene arises before me which impressed itself specially upon my memory, but not, unhappily, because of its rarity. It is Saturday night at —— Hospital. A young

Livingstone College—Laboratory.



Livingstone College—Exterior.

German missionary student and I are busy bandaging up injured arms and legs, when suddenly the low sound made by the distant rumble of the traffic is broken by piercing shrieks, and soon the room is filled with wild cries as the doors open and two stalwart policemen appear, carrying between them a woman in the condition of delirium tremens. The scene would be humorous if it were not so tragic. A woman—who had lost all claim to the name—arms waving, widely open, shrieking mouth, wild eyes, dishevelled hair, and bloated, disfigured countenance. Such sights are never forgotten. The young German turned away sick from the spectacle and said to me, "Does drink do that for many English women?"

But to return; the work at the Hospitals is supplemented by the Medical Mission at Bethnal Green, which is under the direction of the Livingstone College staff, and thus affords unique opportunities of observation, especially in eye and skin cases, for which there are special departments here. Equipped with this additional weapon of aggressive warfare one looks forward with confidence to the future work and warfare in Sendamangalam and surrounding district. The Deputation work is before you all; you have heard me try to plead the claims of our Mission, which pleading, I trust, in the Lord's name, will bring its own reward in more prayer, sympathy and influx to the funds.

The Forward Look.

My passage to India is booked with the P. & O. Co., by the R. M. S. *Persia*, sailing from London, on Friday, Nov. 29th, 1907. Travelling by this ship to Bombay, and thence by rail across country to Madras, I shall (D.V.) hope to meet Brother Booth just before Christmas. This will enable me to begin learning the language with the new year. The new S. B. M. Bungalow will be my home probably for the whole of the year 1908, and then, if present arrangements are adhered to, and a fair knowledge of Tamil is acquired, I shall hope to join Brother Morling in the new field in Sendamangalam, some 150 miles to the South-west of Madras. It is here that one's hopes and spiritual expectations seem to be centred. God has surely given to us in this large tract of unevangelised country a veritable New Testament Promised Land, and His command is with us, to "Go up and possess it," for "there is much land to be possessed."

The time at my disposal, after Livingstone College claims, has been taken up with Deputation work among our home Churches. Many Churches have been visited, and the claims of God's work in foreign lands pleaded from pulpit and Sunday-school desk. These visits have been fruitful in awakening and sustaining the foreign missionary interest, and also in creating many Christian friendships; these will surely be carried on,

though personal intercourse across 6,000 miles of water is impossible.

"There is a spot where spirits blend,
And friend holds fellowship with friend;
Though sundered far, by faith we meet
Around one common mercy-seat."

THE LADIES' ZENANA AUXILIARY.

BY MRS. HUTCHINSON AND MRS. SILVESTER.

THE brief history of our Auxiliary is exceedingly satisfactory and encouraging. Little more than eighteen months ago Mrs. Booth appealed to our sisters to unite for the purpose of maintaining at least one unmarried lady for Zenana work in India. To-day we have the joy of announcing, not merely that the Auxiliary was formed and has been at work, but, that it is in a position to fulfil the purpose of its existence as soon as a suitable candidate appears. For this we praise God.



A TRANSLATED WORKER, BIBLE-WOMAN "MARY."

The steps by which this happy result has been attained may be reviewed with gratitude. Following Mrs. Booth's appeal in March, 1906, we were led to urge in the July HERALD that a decided response should be made and to invite the help of our sisters generally. The response was not very promising, but when in the following September the esteemed and beloved President of our Mission echoed the appeal at the crowded Valedictory Meeting the matter was really taken up. The result was that in the following month, at the memorable Annual Meeting in Brentford on October 23rd, a Committee was formed consisting of the Secretaries of the various Branches, and the President and Secretary of the Auxiliary were then duly elected. Since then a page in the HERALD has been regularly devoted to the interests of our work. Prayer subjects are being furnished by our sisters in India, and the mission of the little red boxes has been steadily growing.

In consequence of the fact that the money is still coming in as this report is being written, detailed information concerning

our progress cannot now be given; but we hope to lay before the Committee on October 22nd full particulars of the number of Branches formed, boxes distributed, and the total sum received. These particulars will also appear in the November HERALD.

"She hath done what she could" indicates the goal which is set before us. Towards it, the misery of India's women beckons us, and the pure ambition of winning this gracious commendation from our Lord urges us.



A PRESENT WORKER,
BIBLE-WOMAN ARSEERVATHAM.

AN APPRECIATION.

To the Young People of our Strict Baptist Churches.

BY MISS GWENDOLINE CHISNALL, GUILDFORD.

ALTHOUGH during the past year there has been no Shilling Fund, many young people have added their offerings to the Emergency Fund, and to all such we would offer our sincerest thanks. It is with hearts full of grateful thanksgiving that to-day we find all that was lost a year ago has been made up. I am sure a great many who read this experienced a very curious heart-sinking when the harrowing news of the Bank failure reached them. All those shillings, some collected by dear little children at a great sacrifice, penny by penny and halfpenny by halfpenny, seemed to flit before my mind's eye, with the question, "Why, Lord?" But He who sees the end from the beginning knew all about it, and now, to-day, instead of having one cause for thanksgiving we have two. Firstly, because the £1,000 was collected; and secondly, in less than a year it has all been re-collected, in a special sense by God Himself, as it has come in much quicker this time and, apparently, with less work. But although the Emergency Fund is completed, we must not think that our task is done; we all know that God's cause needs money to carry it on, but it needs prayer a great deal more, the prayer of faith; it was

prayer that brought in the money to take the place of that which was lost; prayer accounts for the prosperity of our Mission; in answer to prayer our dear missionaries have been raised up.

It might be interesting to you, young friends, to hear how at Guildford prayer has been answered. A little more than two years ago we used to hold a young people's prayer meeting after the Sunday evening service. A box was provided for anyone to put in requests for prayer; and one night the friend who had charge of the box read out among others: "Prayer that someone present here to-night may in the near future represent us in the mission field." A few months after, that prayer was in a fair way to be answered, for Mr. J. M. Brand, who was present, was accepted as a missionary for the S.B.M., though at the time that prayer was offered he had no intention of becoming a missionary, and very shortly now he will have become our representative on the foreign field.

One could go on giving instances of answered prayer, but one thing may we all remember—that God not only has answered prayer but He will continue to do so in the future, not only in connection with our Mission but also in our own personal experience. Nothing is too hard for Him. So we enter upon another year of work, praising Him for all His goodness in the past, and expecting, with childlike simplicity, all blessings of grace and favour for the future.



LITTLE INDIAN BROTHERS.

"THE REFLEX BENEFITS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS."

By J. Jull, Cambridge.

THIS implies there are promoters, supporters and earnest workers on behalf of Missionary work and enterprise. There has been a steady and continued growth in the Churches of interest in Foreign Missions the last forty or fifty years. This is much to be thankful for, and we have corresponding proofs of the Lord's blessing resting upon the labours of our brethren and sisters in the Foreign Field.

What are we to say on the reflex benefits coming to those who have this ardent and loving spirit to make the Gospel of Jesus Christ known to the heathen world? There is an inevitable law: "For whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap." If we sow evil seed then will come the reflex evil to the sower. If we sow that which is good there will come back to us a corresponding good. The late John Bright said once, "He who never does a kind act, who never helps or relieves his fellow-man, misses one of the greatest pleasures and joys of this life."

Now, in sending out Missionaries the Church of God is doing one of the greatest things on the earth, even the carrying out of the command of our Lord Jesus Christ—"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark xvi. 15). This being done there come the reflex benefits. Beside the *intense interest* in the work that is going on, there will be enquiries how the work is progressing—where is the locality the Missionaries are labouring?—leading to the study of the maps of the country that will benefit the mind in geography—watching for information from the Mission Field; letters the Missionaries write home will be read with much pleasure and interest. This will produce great *sympathy* and a longing for the salvation of the souls of the perishing heathen.

Then comes another benefit—that of *continued prayer* for the success of the work, and we all know that no one can be found praying unto the Lord for the extension of His kingdom, but it will have a sanctifying influence upon their own souls, for it brings us into the spirit and mind of the Saviour. It has also a tendency to remove from us the spirit of *selfishness*, of self-content and satisfaction that I am saved and there rest content (which is so contrary to the spirit of Christianity), but will produce the spirit of self-sacrifice that we may be the instruments in the Lord's hands of bringing the "far off ones" nigh—of leading them out of heathenism to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Then the reflex benefit will be *realised* in the joy we have of

seeing many brought to Christ through the instrumentality of those whom we have sent out and whom we support with the substance the Lord has given us.

It comes to this—as the Lord has loved us the *opportunity* is put into our hands of doing good to others and making known the Gospel that has saved us, so that we have not lived a purely selfish life but have followed the example of our Lord, "Who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works" (and surely this is one of the good works, that of spreading abroad the works of our glorious Redeemer). Look at His self-sacrificing spirit. What glory accrues to Him, for He will be lauded with praises and loud Hallelujahs throughout eternity, as the Apostle to the Hebrews writes, "Who for the joy set before Him *endured the cross, despising the shame.*" Now comes the reflex benefit and glory of the *suffering One*, "and is now set down at the right hand of the throne of God" (Heb. xii. 2).

"Nothing is so fruitful as sacrifice." The farmer sacrifices a sack of corn; he reaps ten sacks in return.

See the grand and glorious results of the Saviour's sacrifice, His death on the Cross—what fruit it has borne in the redemption, salvation and ultimate glorification of the Church of the living God.

Following this example of self-sacrifice, corresponding benefits will naturally follow; but all this must be done not with a *sordid motive*, but with a pure, loving heart towards the Redeemer of our souls, the Good Shepherd of the lost ones, and the glory of the Triune God of Israel. "And seekest thou great things for thyself? seek them not" (Jer. xlv. 3).

A GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

BY E. MITCHELL, CHADWELL STREET.

"Forget not all His benefits."

ONE of Israel's great sins was forgetfulness. However great the deliverance they experienced, their memories, like sieves, allowed the remembrance thereof speedily to leak away. "They soon forgat His works." This evil tendency, the source of so much sin and consequent misery, is common to the sons of Adam. We would, by His grace, recall the lovingkindnesses and record the faithfulness of our covenant God, and not forget His benefits.

When about an hour before the time fixed to commence our Annual meetings last year we learned that the £1,000, so laboriously collected, together with £150, the working balance of our general fund in India, had been swept away by the failure of Messrs. Arbuthnot and Co., a feeling of utter dismay

seized upon our mind. "What meaneth this?" was the question that arose in our thoughts, and perplexed us not a little.

That our God had "thoughts of peace toward us, and not of evil," in permitting this blow to fall upon us, soon, however, became manifest. The officers and committee were deeply humbled before God. A fervent spirit of prayer was poured out upon the friends of the Mission; and, both in public and in private, earnest petitions were presented to God, with much humbling of spirit before Him. Blessed be the name of the Lord, He speedily began to turn our captivity. Great liberality of spirit was given to the friends of the Mission, and within about ten months of the loss occurring the whole sum (£1,150) was subscribed. The acquirement of the Bungalow has scarcely been even retarded, and our beloved brother, Missionary E. A. Booth, is prayerfully seeking a site upon which to build the new chapel, and we are still allowed the use of the chapel belonging to the American Baptist Mission for our services, and trust we shall thus be housed until our own chapel shall be erected.

"What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" Surely if we did not praise and thank our God for His great goodness toward us the stones in the street would cry out against us. He has made this seeming evil to work for our good. Old friends of the Mission have had their sympathies stirred and their bounty enlarged, and many new ones have been raised up. To our faithful covenant God we first render our devout thanksgivings. We also heartily thank our numerous friends for their sympathy and generous support.

Beside this great mercy, our God has opened for us a new sphere of labour. Our beloved brother, Missionary D. Morling, equipped by his knowledge of the Tamil language, his experience in the mission-field in and around Madras, and, as we believe, by the Holy Spirit's grace, teaching, and gifts, has gone into "the regions beyond" where Christ has not been named. This is a high honour that God has placed upon us to carry His Gospel into this dark region. True, it will entail considerable additional expense. But we trust that He Who has called us to this work will inspirit us to press on with it. May He grant us grace to rise to the occasion, and "buy up this opportunity." May there be no faint hearts among us to bring up an evil report of the land, but rather may Caleb's stirring words echo and re-echo in our souls—"Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we be well able to overcome it." To us it appears, with great solemnity, that God is testing our Churches and our people now to see whether we will obey His voice in carrying His Gospel to the heathen. He has opened a great door; shall we not respond to our great Leader's call with every power of our being, and go in, and possess the land?

Let us fling craven fears to the wind, rally round the Gospel banner, and He will not fail us.

"Forward be our watchword, . . . not a *look* behind."

"Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature," is the Master's own commission. "To obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams."

The "Herald."

BY THE EDITORS.

NINE months have now passed since THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION HERALD appeared in its altered form, and as a monthly magazine. This has been a period of exceptional interest at home and abroad, and our subscribers have been kept informed month by month of the progress of our work. Welcome appreciation of the new arrangement has been received from various Churches in the form of increased circulation, but we are at present unable to say whether or not the magazine has become self-supporting. Self-support is one of the objects we have in view, and with the loyal help of all our subscribers it can easily be attained. As soon as this is realised further improvement can be carried out. We therefore ask every Church to appoint a Magazine Secretary, and to endeavour to increase the circulation among its members.

During these nine months our Magazine has specially appealed to our young people and our Sunday School children by allotting a special page to each. The result produces mingled satisfaction and disappointment—disappointment that our young men and women have not responded as we had hoped, and that our Sunday School Teachers have not more widely co-operated with us in endeavouring to interest the children.

It is always well, however, to turn away from disappointing circumstances as quickly as may be, and we gladly recognise, on the other hand, the gratifying fact that the HERALD has obtained an entrance into some of our Sunday Schools and that some of our children have responded to Uncle John's letters in The Children's Corner. For this measure of success we are grateful; but our gratitude has a prospective attitude and an eye to greater success during the coming year.

We appeal to the young men and women of our Churches for more active and practical interest and for more evident fellowship in the promotion of the missionary cause in our denomination; and, with this end in view, the Editors would gladly consider any suggestions from our friends or afford any help that lay in their power.

We also appeal to our Sunday School Superintendents and Teachers, and to parents, to help us by introducing The Children's Corner of the Magazine to their scholars and children and, in this way, to secure their interest in the work of our missionaries. We suggest that the interest of the children would probably be more genuine if they were induced to buy the HERALD for themselves. Apart from this, every copy paid for is a help to the Mission.



If Childhood is the key of India, it is equally true that Childhood is the key of the missionary problem. Each generation of Christians as it passes is responsible for the evangelisation of the world in obedience to the Lord's command; and, however much we may congratulate ourselves on the progress of missions during last century, the fact remains that the heathen population of the world is increasing much more rapidly than the Church's evangelistic efforts. But while the failure of the present generation must be confessed, the success of the next may be hoped for if the duty of the Church is impressed upon our children as part of our Christian instruction.

The Christmas Box.

BY MRS. CHISNALL.

OUR warmest thanks are due to all those friends who have made this labour of love a feature in their work for the Mission during another year.

Last year was indeed a record one—in reference to the number of articles sent, and the wider circle of friends contributing. Yet we trust that this year may be one of progress, for many calls lead us still to plead for an ever-increasing supply of various gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Morling in their new surroundings are hoping to gain an entrance into many a young heart in this way. Surely many a pleasing thought has come into the minds of the workers, as the garments have been in "the making" for young Hindus, and no doubt prayer has often been offered that the dear child who should have *this* GARMENT might be saved by the sovereign grace of God.

This may have inspired the heart of each with a great longing for God to bless the work of our Mission—which after all is the Lord's.

At any rate may it be ours to bring some little light and joy into the lives of these dear heathen children, and as we think of the distribution next Christmas, may we then plead earnestly with our heavenly Father to bless these little ones, and if it is His gracious will to say of many of them—Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.



"BEFORE AND AFTER."

All information as to patterns of garments, and the kind of gifts most useful and needed, will be gladly given by

MRS. C. C. HARRIS,
"Nethania,"
Cavendish Rd., St. John's Wood,
London, N.W.

But all parcels should be sent carriage paid (to save trouble and delay) to

MRS. C. W. HARRIS,
12, Marlborough Hill, St. John's Wood,
London, N.W.,

not later than the 19th October in each year.



FOR WHOM WE PLEAD.

Among the Churches.

BY MR. J. M. BRAND.

AMONG the first Annual Reports of our Mission is to be found an explanation of our name—The Strict Baptist *Mission*. The few godly men belonging to London Churches who first began in '60 the foreign missionary work of our section of the denomination, were impressed with the conviction that this work should be the "mission of the Churches," and should not be a distinct and independent body, the hobby of a few enthusiasts.

"The mission of the Churches"—and yet many of our Churches scarcely know of the existence of the S.B.M., much less take an interest in the work and help in its support.

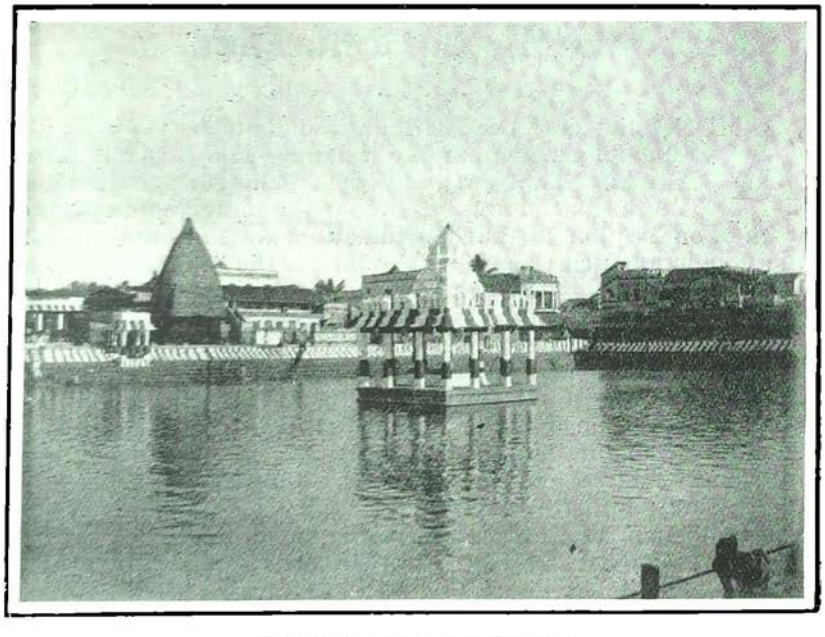
The deputation work undertaken during the past year has resulted in maintaining and, in many cases, increasing the missionary interest and activity of our Churches and in developing resources hitherto untouched.

Members of those Churches which have never been visited before have repeatedly expressed their surprise and pleasure at knowing of the existence of the S.B.M.; their sympathetic remarks being invariably supplemented by practical help. In this way there has been abundant testimony to the usefulness of deputation work, and indications are not wanting to show that this branch of *home* missionary effort must receive in the future more attention than has been given to it in the past.

This tour of the Churches has been very fruitful in raising up many new personal friends, and as I now am saying "Good-bye" there rise up before me many faces—dear for the Gospel's sake—bringing back memories of happy meetings and sweet fellowship held together during the past year.

The following is a list of Churches visited and of those I hope yet to visit.

Aldringham
Aylesbury
Beccles
Bermondsey, Lynton Road
Bierton
Bolton
Brentford
Brighton
Cambridge, "Eden"
Chesham
Clerkenwell, Chadwell Street
Cransford
Erith
Grays
Gt. Gransden
Guildford
Hollinwood
Homerton
Horham
Ipswich, Bethesda
King's Langley
Lee, Dacre Park
Lewisham, College Park
Manchester
March, Cambs
Occold
Richmond
Saxmundham
Stratford
Stoke Ash
Tottenham
Tring, Akeman Street
Tunstall
Waltham Abbey
Walthamstow
Watford, Tabernacle
Yarmouth



HEATHEN TANK AND SHRINE.

Our Forward Movement.

YES, we have now moved forward. The cloud has risen up, and after ordering our future steps as we felt led of the Lord, we have stepped out where He leads. So marked has been His appearance that we are encouraged to press on at the speed that He regulates and maintains.

Our loins are girt, and with the encouraging words ringing in our ears—the battle is the Lord's—we are already feeling we are in an enemy's camp. At the first sight of the conflict we quake and are fearful till He again says, Be of good courage, and I will strengthen your heart in the new field. The gross darkness of the people staggers us, the terrible degradation appals us; the whole place is given over to idolatry—ignorant, saddening, vile—and many times one is led to say, "Who is sufficient for these things?"

The problems at home, too, press heavily. A great strain has been upon our people—but how nobly it has been borne; and yet there are new demands urgently pressing upon our attention, the most urgent being new chapels and schools and homes for our native workers. Shall we appeal in vain? Surely not! Are there not some friends who are desirous of giving a thank-offering to the Lord for some special favour granted, some deliverance wrought, some gracious manifestation made? And if so, such thank-offerings would be most gratefully received just now.

There is an urgent necessity for a Bungalow headquarters in this new district of Namakal, which will cost about £500.

We should be grateful indeed if God would put it into the hearts of His people to send some special donation to this end. A fair school-chapel could be erected for present use for £5, a good substantial one for permanent use for £50, which could be named by the donor as "A Memorial Chapel."

Already a deepened interest is being taken in Mr. and Mrs. Morling's work, and if a few schools could be erected immediately, the work would advance and a sound Gospel proclaimed where the name of Christ has not been named, and His holy Gospel never heard.

Let us not be unmindful of the heavenly vision; the Lord has opened the door wide and there is much land yet to be possessed. God grant our hands may not be slack for the financial help necessary to carry on these schemes.

The wonderful way the Lord has unfolded these plans is surely a sufficient call from Him to advance. Who will ease this burden a little by helping to carry a portion of it—prayer first, then sympathy, and after these, financial help—so as not to let the General Fund suffer (any sum, small or large), for the special Indian Building Fund which our new sphere necessitates. Could we, during the coming year, raise another £700 for this it would largely relieve the committee of this

burden and help forward our work both in the Madras district and the Namakal Taluk. We have prayed much for the Lord to open up this new field, and now He has done so may we rise to the occasion, and see that there is no lack in supplying the various demands made upon us, and we shall soon have the joy of seeing the Word taking root in this virgin soil and precious souls saved by sovereign grace.

Surely God has a people in this place or He would not have suffered us to enter.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

THE various Public Meetings that have been held during the year have been, without an exception, marked by deep spiritual fervour. The Prayer Meetings have been marked by a chastened spirit, through the mellowing experience which the Lord has granted us—we have come forth from the fire with the sweet and gracious sense that "One like unto the Son of Man" was with us in the fiery ordeal that was to try us. The Young People's Conference was a bond of union to our young friends, and the encouraging way they have rallied to the Society's help is proof that the wise words of the papers were taken seriously to heart.

The Pastors' Conferences have also evidently brought forth much fruit. A great awakening has resulted among our leaders, and the many responses to help forward the work have gratified us not a little. Through promises of help from some few friends, the booklet, "How to Increase the Missionary Spirit in our Churches," has been sent forth and we are glad to see that many feel its issue is indeed timely. This is on sale at a low price, and we strongly recommend its wide circulation.

The General and Half-Yearly Meetings are too deeply engraven upon all our hearts to be easily forgotten. The Annual Meeting at Brentford will always be a time of remembrance; it will ever be associated with one of the greatest trials, and yet one of the greatest triumphs, the Mission has ever passed through. It was there we proved in a most wonderful way

"THE LORD OF HOSTS IS WITH US, AND THE GOD OF JACOB IS OUR REFUGE."

There has been no looking back since; granted, the experience has made us walk softly before the Lord, but there has been a holy determination born of the Spirit; and in times of weakness and weariness the Holy Spirit has brought to our remembrance some of the things He has spoken to us.

The Half-Yearly Meeting held at Gurney Road, Stratford, was a reflection of the Annual; the warm-hearted speeches of our country brethren were like an invigorating breath from the

breezy country-side, and we are satisfied that having some of our provincial ministers to speak at the various meetings is fraught with much good to the Society in general. We are prayerfully expecting much from the Public Meetings during the coming year, and would specially ask for the earnest prayer of our subscribers to this end.

INDIAN BUILDING FUND.

WHILST much has been accomplished in this department of our work, yet much still remains to be done. Our hearts have been melted and our tears have fallen as we read of our Brother and Sister Morling, with their young child, having to live and sleep in the stable and outhouse; in the vast area in which they are now located there is not a house suitable for Europeans to live in—simply because no Europeans have ever been that way, and when Mrs. Morling goes out of doors she is followed by hundreds of natives who have never seen a white lady before. Thus stirred, we have prayed and thought till we are forced to the conclusion that another £700 ought to be subscribed in the near future, for surely such noble self-sacrifice of our missionaries calls for similar self-denial from us, to at least attempt to provide such accommodation as will make their lives as comfortable as possible under the circumstances, for are they not our representative heralds of the grace of God in this very dark part of India?

The "house" that is being built for Mr. and Mrs. Morling in Sendamangalam is only a temporary one, and will only last two or three years; but if the permanent house can be erected this could at once be turned into a Chapel and Schools. There are also houses needed for our native workers; as there is yet much prejudice to overcome, there is still the difficulty of getting suitable houses for them to live in, so that necessity urges us to obtain land and build our own, and while this is a heavy and pressing need at present, when accomplished it will at once free us from the future expense of rent. It will thus be seen how very essential it is to urge this matter as a pressing call.

Then the Madras Chapel site still causes much anxiety; large advances in the price of land (owing to the Bank failure people will not sell) and increased cost of materials has prevented up to the present this being an accomplished fact, hence the necessity for the amount already named, viz., £700.

Oh that the Lord may speedily send this much-needed sum; at any rate we have laid the matter before the Lord, and now we wait His working.

FINANCE.

WITH so noble a balance-sheet total as £3,075 1s. 11d. what shall we, then, say to these things? If God be for us who can be against us? To think that during one year such a sum as £2,645 2s. 5½d. could be subscribed to

THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION.

Surely the Lord has opened the windows of heaven and poured us out such a blessing there is not room enough to receive it.

LORD, INCREASE OUR FAITH TO DO SO.

"The best return for one like me,
So wretched and so poor,
Is from His gifts to draw a plea
And ask Him still for more."

We lay our praises and thanksgiving at His feet and trust for the future. "The silver and the gold are His." He surely will send it, since He knows all our need.

Whilst all the various funds have increased during the year we have been deeply touched by the large amount that has been subscribed by the L.Z.A. during its first year's existence, so that £120 is credited to its account after having paid all its expenses, and the large circle of prayer that has grown out of this is telling upon the work and workers both at home and abroad. The coming year is fraught with bright possibilities; may the Lord guide and strengthen us for all that it has in store for us. Our needs are pressing in all departments, and so we plead on for the Divine blessing, and for the wherewithal to carry on the work, and faith is saying ye shall not want any good thing, for

THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S.

THE OUTLOOK.

"Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."—Josh. i. 9.

THUS would we face the future, for only in Thy strength, O Lord, can we go. Never was there a greater call on our Society than now from the dark interior. Come over and help us. O send out Thy light and Thy truth.

The true bond of Christian fellowship existing among our subscribers has increased and intensified all through the year. This union has been our source of strength, and, depending upon this, we view the future. The sun is in the ascendant, and we pray that it may shine more and more unto the perfect day.

Our missionaries are settling down to the hard work of expansion, both in the Madras district as well as in the new field. Village stations are springing up, and a great work is being accomplished. This work has then to be consolidated, and needs much attention. School-chapels have to be built or rented, our own buildings being preferable to rented ones.

Mr. J. M. Brand has completed his medical studies, and sails (G.W.) on 29th November, 1907, in the P. & O. ss. *Persia*, and hopes to be in Madras by Christmas, and in time to witness the distribution of the Christmas Boxes. Thus, as the Lord has guided we have prepared, and now what wait we for, O Lord, but for Thy blessing? "Send, O Lord, prosperity." With the reports to hand of the progress of the work we are painfully reminded, "The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few." But as the open door is before us let us go in, for there is much land to be possessed.

This, of course, means a larger expenditure, but we are persuaded that our Churches will rise to this opportunity. When we think of what this last year has been—the answer to our calls, the hearty co-operation—it all inspires us not to be unmindful of the heavenly vision, but to go, and as we go, to see the salvation of the Lord.

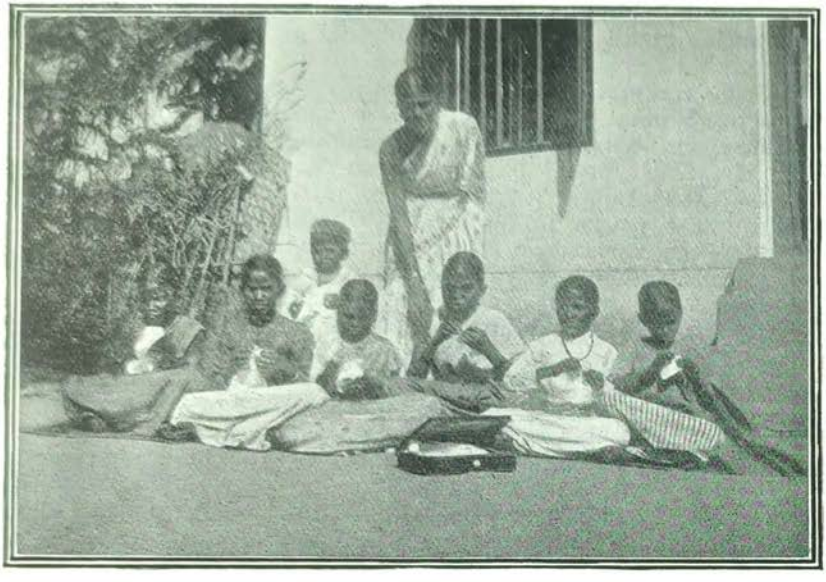
We have the promise of the Lord Jesus as our stay, "Lo, I am with you alway." "Therefore go in this thy might." "And God, even our own God, shall bless us."

When we think of the gross darkness, the sad ignorance, the terrible depravity of the poor heathen to whom we are privileged to carry the glorious gospel, our hearts are moved with compassion, and relying upon the faithfulness of our God we dare go forward with faith in exercise, believing that blessing awaits us. For the word of the Lord abideth for ever.

Fellow Labourers Together.

WE encourage one another in the Lord—this is a day of reckoning—we have toiled hard for a long while together and now we pause for a breathing space. Rest awhile. The journey has been great. As we review the past we feel how great has been our deliverance; but what tightening of the bonds of Christian fellowship. For a time we walk in the light, and are only just beginning to realise how thick the darkness has been; but what a strength is the love of the brethren.

Staggered by a crushing loss, weighed down by many cares and pressing needs, how we have valued the old and tried friends of many years' standing. Accept, beloved friends, the true gratitude of those you have stood by and trusted so well and so long. Thus would we speak of old friends; but we thank God



FELLOW-LABOURERS.

also for the new. Those who helped us for the first time last year have continued their prayers and sympathy, and increased their contributions, and others have come forward who have helped for the first time this year. We greet you all in the name of the Lord, and through your prayers take courage and go forward.

Greater expansion both at home and abroad has again to be recorded; from all quarters of the globe we have received Christian salutations, enquiries and financial help. With this Divine approval can we do other than say, Through sovereign choice, and grace, and favour we are made co-workers together with God?

Praise ye the Lord.

What a privilege. This is our inspiration—"Emmanuel, God with us," and so in the work He is giving us to do we find much spiritual comfort to our souls and have often a refreshing from the presence of the Lord, so that the co-working brings the joy of the Lord as our tower of strength—a good repayment for the little we are doing in His name. We pray this may be yet a call to others who shall hear our gracious God say "Who will go for Us?" and, gladly responding with "Here am I; send me," find the truth of the Lord's words, "The harvest truly is great." We joyfully anticipate such service, and ask

WHAT SHALL THE HARVEST BE?

Dei Gratia

(By the Grace of God).

"HE FAILETH NOT."—Zeph. iii. 5.

"Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord. Praise ye the Lord."—Psa. cl. 6.

"And again they said, Alleluia!"—Rev. xix. 3.

WE approach the closing scenes of this year's Report with mingled feelings of joy and sorrow. We have had much real joy in compiling such a record of Divine faithfulness; and sorrow as we have lived as it were over the past again, and have felt somewhat the cost of enduring hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ; but the bidding God-speed to the record thus ended seems like saying farewell to much that has strengthened our faith in God, and caused us to realize His faithfulness and power. We thank and praise Him for all His benefits, and would not forget Him. We have now the pleasing task of expressing our grateful thanks to all our praying and sympathizing helpers.

"The Lord bless thee, and keep thee:
The Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee:
The Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace" (Num. vi. 24—26).

Thus would we seek heaven's highest and richest favour for all our helpers.

To the friends in the far-away colonies of Australia, New Zealand, India and South Africa; and in America; to our helpers in the distant parts of the British Isles, as well as those in the home counties and the metropolis; we would convey our cordial greetings and Christian esteem and salutations. We value the help and prayers of our aged friends, some well over 90 years of age, and we prize the help of the little lad who gave to the Mission the half-crown received from his grandparent to buy a cricket-bat, and also all those whose age places them between these two points; and to you we say, May covenant promise be your stay and the everlasting arms your sweet and quiet resting-place. The goodness of the Lord is ever apparent.

"Too wise to be mistaken He,
Too good to be unkind."

We place on record the untiring labours of our missionaries,

their zeal for the Lord of Hosts, their steadiness under trial; and for the success that has attended their work. We also are deeply moved and profoundly impressed by the earnestness of all our native Agents, and their constant concern for the salvation of the souls of their heathen brethren.

The Committee feel the arduous labour of the past year has been lightened by unprecedented liberality of the subscribers generally and their warm-hearted prayers; and for this they offer their most grateful thanks.

To all our pastors and deacons who have so nobly helped the cause, we express our thanks.

And while we are filled with praise and thanksgiving, yet surely our souls are melted as we remember that, best of all, it is

EMMANUEL—GOD WITH US.



BIBLE-WOMAN CHRISTIANA.

DOCTRINAL BASIS.

1. The equality and distinct personality of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost in the unity of the Godhead.

2. Eternal and personal election unto salvation.

3. The fall of mankind in Adam—their guilt and condemnation—together with their entire and universal depravity, by which they were utterly alienated from God, and are unable, in and of themselves, to turn to Him.

4. Particular redemption by the vicarious sacrifice of Christ.

5. Justification by grace, through faith, by the imputed righteousness of our Lord Jesus Christ.

6. Regeneration and sanctification by the direct agency of the Holy Spirit, through the instrumentality of Divine truth; and that saving faith is not a legal duty, but the sovereign and gracious gift of God.

7. The absolute necessity for a holy life, as the result of true faith and the evidence of regeneration.

8. The final perseverance of true believers.

9. The plenary and verbal Inspiration of the Old and New Testaments.

10. The resurrection of the dead and the universal judgment.

11. The everlasting punishment of the wicked, and the everlasting happiness of the righteous.

12. The duty of preaching the Gospel to every creature of the fallen race of Adam.

13. The necessity of baptism by immersion, on a profession of repentance and faith, in order to Church fellowship and admission to the Lord's table.

14. The congregational order of the Churches.

RULES.

I. That this Association be called "THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION"; that it be conducted by a Committee composed of Members of Particular and Strict Baptist Churches.

II. That its officers be—a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer and one or more Secretaries; and that the doctrinal basis be taken as representing the principles by which it shall be governed.

III. That its objects be—the diffusion of the Gospel in heathen lands, and the formation of Churches in accordance with the principles of Particular and Strict Communion Baptists.

IV. That an Annual Meeting be held, at such time and place as the Committee shall determine, when a report of the past year's proceedings shall be read by one of the Secretaries, and the Committee and Officers elected for the ensuing year, with power to add to their number.

V. That the Committee meet in London once a month or oftener when necessary, at such time and place as may be determined upon by a majority of its Members present at any such meeting, five (including the Chairman) to form a quorum.

VI. That a month's notice be given of any new business intended to be introduced, including nominations for additions to Committee.

VII. That with a view to giving contributing Churches of the faith and order of its doctrinal basis direct participation in the conduct of this Mission, every such Church having less than 200 Members be entitled to nominate its Pastor and one other Member; or if the Membership exceed 200, its Pastor and two other Members, for Election at the Annual Meeting as its representives on the Committee.

VIII. That in the event of the death or retirement of any of the Officers, the Committee have power of appointment to the vacated office either from within or without its Membership.

IX. That all meetings be commenced and concluded with prayer.

NOTICE IN REFERENCE TO BEQUESTS.

WE believe there are many of our subscribers would like to continue their subscriptions even after the Lord has taken them home, and although this is a somewhat delicate matter, yet for the sake of the Lord's cause we make mention of how this can be done by bequeathing

A LEGACY TO THE SOCIETY.

The following Form of Bequest is, therefore, recommended to those who may be desirous of thus assisting the Mission:

Form of Bequest.

I give and bequeath unto THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION *the full sum of Pounds to be paid within three months after my decease, to be applied, at the discretion of the Committee for the time being, for the promotion of the objects and work of the said Mission; and for which the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being shall be an effectual discharge.*

The capital could then be invested in Trust, and the interest would form a permanent memorial by way of subscription.

The Incorporation of the Mission.

The Incorporation of the Mission, which is now completed, enables the Society to hold the Mission property in India in its own name, and the property will now be transferred to THE STRICT BAPTIST MISSION.

BALANCE SHEET OF GENERAL ACCOUNT.

October 1st, 1906, to September 30th, 1907.

RECEIPTS.	£	s.	d.
Balance, October 1st, 1906	329	19	5¼
Subscriptions, Donations, etc.	807	9	5
HERALD Fund	95	16	9¼
Report Fund	9	11	2
Emergency Fund	1,150	0	0
Special from Mr. Booth	50	0	0
Gifts towards Mr. Booth's loss	147	8	2½
„ „ Mr. Morling's loss	2	0	0
Building Fund	34	4	9
Mr. Brand's Medical Outfit Fund	30	0	0
Collection at Annual Meeting	25	3	4½
„ Half-Yearly Meeting	15	15	9
Grants :—			
British and Foreign Bible Society ...	18	6	0
Interest on Deposit Account...	30	12	8
Transferred from Deposit Account	200	0	0
Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary	128	14	4½
	£3 075	1	11

EXPENDITURE	£	s.	d.
Missionaries', Preachers', Teachers', etc., Salaries and Mission Account	1,101	13	4
Mr. Booth, on account of personal loss ...	147	8	2
Mr. Morling „ „	2	0	0
Emergency Fund sent to Madras	250	0	0
Mr. Brand's Outfit	25	0	0
Banks & Son—Printing HERALDS	129	11	2
„ „ „ Report, 1906 ...	38	11	6
„ „ Advertising, etc.	18	7	3
HERALD Postages and Editorial Expenses ...	8	2	9
Ministerial, Committee Room, etc., Expenses ..	53	2	10
Mr. Vickery	20	0	0
Transferred to Deposit Account (see Deposit Account Balance Sheet	1,000	0	0
Transferred to Voyage Account	50	0	0
Brown, Son, & Vardy (Incorporation Fees) ...	49	8	4
Missionary Boxes, Stationery, Postages, etc. ...	12	10	6
Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary Secretary's Expenses	8	5	11
Balance in Hand :—			
General Account 39 11 8½			
Due to Voyage Account ... 1 0 0			
Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary ... 120 8 5½			
	161	0	2
	£3,075	1	11

October 7th, 1907.

Examined and found correct,

A. VINE,
E. WALLIS, } *Auditors.*

BALANCE SHEETS.

October 1st, 1906, to September 30th, 1907.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance, 1906	86	13	8	Sent to Madras ...	800	0	0
London, City & Midland Bank (see General Account)	1,000	0	0	Transferred back to General Account ...	200	0	0
				Owing to Bank failure retained in General Account	86	13	8
	£1,086	13	8		£1,086	13	8

VOYAGE ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Balance, 1906	0	12	0	June 3, Deposit on Berth for Mr. Brand by R.M. s.s. *Persia*	18	1	0
Due from General Account...	1	0	0	Oct. 1, Final Payment	20	0	0
Trans. from General Account... ...	50	0	0	Balance ...	13	11	0
	£51	12	0		£51	12	0

"HERALD" ACCOUNT.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Subscribed 1906-7 ...	95	16	9¼	Banks & Son—Printing	129	11	2
Deficit made up from General Account	41	17	1¾	Editorial Expenses, Postage, etc. ...	8	2	9
	£137	13	11		£137	13	11

EMERGENCY FUND.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Subscribed 1906-7...	1,150	0	0	Trans. from Deposit Account to Madras	800	0	0
Special extra amount from Mr. Booth ...	50	0	0	Trans. from General Account to Madras	250	0	0
				Trans. to General Account on account of Bank failure affecting also that account...	200	0	0
	£1,200	0	0		£1,200	0	0

LADIES' ZENANA AUXILIARY.

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Contents of Boxes...	127	12	4½	Zenana Boxes	6	10	2
Donation for Postage	1	2	0	Receipt Books	0	13	9
				Postage	1	2	0
				Balance in hand ...	120	8	5½
	£128	14	4½		£128	14	4½

BALANCE SHEET DRAWN FROM MISSIONARY'S MONTHLY REPORT FROM INDIA.

August, 1906, to July, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

	rupees.	an.	pie.	£	s.	d.
Balance, July, 1906 ...	872	13	1	58	3	$9\frac{1}{12}$
Remittances from England	11,909	3	4	793	18	$11\frac{4}{12}$
„ for Building Fund (including 750 rupees given in Madras by Mr. and Mrs. Booth ...	15,559	2	0	1,037	5	6
School Fees	236	5	3	15	15	$1\frac{3}{12}$
Sale of Books	15	6	6	1	0	$6\frac{6}{12}$
Bible Spreading Union Grant	540	0	0	36	0	0
Government Grant... ...	714	14	11	47	13	$2\frac{11}{12}$
Sale of Horse	142	8	0	9	10	0
	29,990	5	1	£1,999	7	$1\frac{1}{12}$

EXPENDITURE.

	rupees.	an.	pie.	£	s.	d.
Salaries to Missionaries, Preachers, Teachers, Bible-women, etc.	9,902	3	6	660	2	$11\frac{6}{12}$
Rent	1,319	0	0	87	18	8
Stable Account	430	0	0	28	13	4
Repairs	111	3	5	7	8	$3\frac{5}{12}$
School Requisites	131	12	5	8	15	$8\frac{5}{12}$
Sundries	73	10	9	4	18	$2\frac{9}{12}$
Solicitors' and Customs Charges, Taxes, etc. ...	39	11	8	2	12	$11\frac{8}{12}$
Tracts, etc...	20	0	0	1	6	8
Voyage Account	18	0	0	1	4	0
Telegrams	27	8	0	1	16	8
Photos, etc., for HERALD ...	13	12	0	0	18	4
Transferred to Building Fund, including Government Grant	16,274	0	11	1,084	18	$8\frac{11}{12}$
Loss per Bank failure, Arbuthnot & Co.	200	0	0	13	6	8
Expenses of Journey, conveyance, etc., *re* new S.B.M. Field	473	12	2	31	11	$8\frac{2}{12}$
Balance, July, 1907 ...	955	10	3	63	14	$2\frac{3}{12}$
	29,990	5	1	£1,999	7	$1\frac{1}{12}$

Reckoned at the rate of 1s. 4d. per rupee.

MADRAS BUILDING FUND.

August, 1906, to July, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

	rupees.	an.	pie.	£	s.	d.
Balance, July, 1906 ...	719	5	8	47	19	$1\frac{8}{12}$
Transferred from General Account	16,274	0	11	1,084	18	$8\frac{11}{12}$
Rev. G. H. Rouse, B.M.S. Calcutta (donation) ...	50	0	0	3	6	8
	17,043	6	7	£1,136	4	$6\frac{7}{12}$

EXPENDITURE.

	rupees.	an.	pie.	£	s.	d.
Loss per Bank failure ...	719	5	8	47	19	$1\frac{8}{12}$
Madras Bungalow—						
Purchase of	11,500	0	0	766	13	4
Broker's Commission ...	255	0	0	17	0	0
Stamp Duty	139	0	0	9	5	4
Solicitor's Fee for Conveyance	75	0	0	5	0	0
Balance	4,355	0	11	290	6	$8\frac{11}{12}$
	17,043	6	7	£1,136	4	$6\frac{7}{12}$

Reckoned at the rate of 1s. 4d. per rupee.

ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS.

October 1st, 1906, to September 30th, 1907.

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	£	s.	d.
Aberdeen, *Academy Street*		7	6
Acton, *Tabernacle*	2	10	4
Heralds		12	0
Emergency	2	1	0
Zenana	2	16	5
Aldbury			
Emergency	1	6	1
Askett		6	3
Aston Clinton	7	8	6
Emergency	1	1	0
Attleboro'			
Emergency		5	0
Aylesbury, *Walton Street*	1	3	7
Heralds		12	1
Reports		1	0
Emergency	1	12	6
Ballarat (N.S.W.)	1	0	0
Basingstoke			
Emergency		10	0
Building Fund		15	3
Bassett Street, *Martyrs' Memorial*	3	8	8
Heralds	1	0	6
Reports		3	0
Emergency	2	0	6
Zenana	2	18	6
Bath, *Bethel*	2	12	9
Heralds	2	0	0
Reports		2	4
Emergency	1	15	0
Beccles, *Martyrs' Memorial*	3	4	11½
Heralds	1	6	0
Reports		1	10
Emergency		13	0
Berkhampstead, *Beulah*	3	11	0
Heralds		11	3
Emergency	3	12	9
Bermondsey, *Lynton Road*	27	6	0
Heralds	1	12	0
Reports		1	2
Emergency	16	9	0
Zenana	4	12	0
Bermondsey, *Spa Road*		10	0
Emergency		10	0
Bexley Heath			
Emergency	1	10	0
Bierton	4	2	3
Emergency	4	6	0
Bolton	2	14	5
Reports		2	7
Braintree		2	6
Brentford, *North Road*	22	12	7½
Heralds	3	9	0
Reports		1	4
Emergency	4	17	6
Zenana	11	4	0
Brighton, *Prarthana Sabha*	21	17	5
Heralds	1	2	0
Reports		7	3
Emergency	52	11	8
Zenana	4	12	6
Brighton, *Tabernacle*	2	6	1
Bristol	5	0	0
Brixton, *Tabernacle*		12	0
Heralds		11	0
Reports		2	0
Emergency	4	1	0
Bromley, *College Slip*	2	18	1½
Heralds		6	0
Emergency	1	1	0
Bury, *Providence*			
Emergency		10	0
Cambridge, *Eden*	18	16	9
Heralds	1	17	6
Reports		3	6
Emergency	12	0	0
Zenana	2	16	10
Booth's Personal Fund	4	6	2½
Morling's „ „	2	0	0
Carlton			
Emergency	1	0	0
Chadwell Street, *Mount Zion*	98	18	0
Heralds	6	15	0
Emergency	108	4	6
Zenana	16	5	11¼
Booth's Personal Fund	51	1	0
Brand's Outfit	25	0	0
Chatham, *Enon*		17	6
Heralds		10	6
Reports		3	0
Emergency		14	6
Chelmsford			
Heralds		12	3
Reports		2	0
Emergency	7	10	0
Building Fund		10	0
Cheltenham, *Bethel*		10	0
Cheltenham, *Providence*			
Emergency	2	2	0
Chesham, *Townfield*	20	9	0
Heralds		9	0
Chobham, *West End*	3	0	3½

	£	s.	d.
Clapham, *Courland Grove*	5	17	5½
Emergency	4	0	0
Clapham, *Rehoboth*		10	6
Clapham Junction, *Providence*	8	12	0
Heralds		1	6
Emergency	8	3	0
Zenana		5	3
Claxton		17	0
Heralds		3	0
Clifton (Beds)	1	6	0
Heralds		1	0
Emergency		5	0
Building Fund		5	0
Colchester, *St. John's Green*	2	2	6
Heralds		7	6
Emergency		5	0
Colnbrook	2	10	2
Heralds		6	6
Reports		1	2
Cranleigh	1	0	0
Cransford Emergency	1	16	3
Croydon, *Derby Road*	11	12	10
Heralds		19	6
Emergency		5	0
Downe Emergency	2	10	0
Downham Market		2	0
Heralds		1	0
Dunmow, *The Ark* Heralds		10	3
Reports		1	9
Dunstable, *Old Baptist Chapel* Emergency		7	0
Eaton Bray Emergency	1	1	0
Egham, *Ebenezer*	1	0	0
Heralds		12	0
Elthorne Road, *Ebenezer*	3	5	0
Emergency		10	0
Erith, *Providence*		19	6
Emergency	2	8	6
Epping	1	0	0
Farnborough		18	5
Farnham, *Park Lane*	1	18	6
Heralds		4	0
Emergency	1	15	0
Freshingfield Emergency	1	8	0
Fulham, *Ebenezer*	1	0	0
Emergency	1	8	6
Glemsford Heralds		15	0
Reports		1	4
Grantham, *Castlegate* Emergency	1	5	6
Gravesend, *Zoar*	1	5	5
Heralds		1	6
Emergency		10	0
Grays, *Ebenezer*		10	6
Heralds		6	2
Reports			10
Emergency		11	8
Guildford, *Old Baptist Chapel*	47	8	0¼
Heralds	1	19	9
Reports	2	6	3
Emergency	200	10	7
Zenana	9	0	0½
Hackney, *Shalom*	1	7	8
Hail, *Weston*		8	10½
Halstead, *Providence* Emergency	1	13	6
Haworth, *Hall Green*	4	13	0
Heralds		2	7
Reports		1	0
High Wycombe, *Zion*	7	3	9
Heralds	1	18	0
Reports		6	0
Emergency	1	2	6
Zenana	3	19	6
Hitchen, *Bethel*	3	0	0
Hollinwood	1	16	9
Reports		1	11½
Homerton, *Homerton Row*	16	5	5
Heralds	1	9	2
Zenana	6	8	8
Horham Heralds		5	0
Reports		2	0
Emergency	5	0	0
Hounslow, *Zoar*	16	9	2¾
Heralds	2	3	2
Reports		4	2
Emergency	1	2	0
Zenana	6	8	1
Booth's Personal Fund	5	0	0
Hoxne		18	9½
Heralds		3	0
Ipswich, *Bethesda*	8	10	6
Heralds	2	11	6
Reports		7	6
Emergency	1	11	1
Building Fund	1	3	0
Ipswich, *Zoar*	10	14	9
Heralds		14	4
Reports		2	8
Emergency	1	1	0
Kenninghall Reports		2	0
Emergency	1	6	0
Kings Langley, *Zion*	0	2	6
Heralds		12	6
Reports			10
Kingston-on-Thames, *Providence*	3	13	0

	£	s.	d.
Heralds		18	0
Reports		1	0
Emergency ...	2	5	0
Zenana	4	0	6
Laxfield			
Heralds		5	0
Lee, *Dacre Park*... ...	4	17	1
Heralds		17	6
Lewisham, *College Park*	2	9	1
Heralds		6	8
Emergency	2	11	0
Leyton, *Goldsmith Road*		8	0
Heralds		4	0
Reports		1	0
Emergency	1	1	0
Limehouse, *Elim* ...		17	10½
Heralds		7	1½
Emergency		5	0
Lowestoft, *Tonning Street*	2	4	0
Heralds	0	17	0
Emergency			6
Zenana		12	6
Madras	7	0	0
Emergency	50	0	0
Building Fund	2	0	0
Maidstone, *Providence*		15	0
Heralds		9	0
Manchester	13	15	2
Heralds	1	8	11½
Reports		10	3
Emergency	2	18	6
March, *Providence* ...	1	1	0
Heralds		12	3
Reports		2	8
Margate, *Mt. Ephraim*	1	0	0
Marylebone, *Mt. Zion*	72	9	5
Heralds	6	13	8
Emergency	177	12	9
Zenana	3	1	0
Booth's Personal Fund	75	0	0
Brand's Outfit	5	0	0
Mayford		10	0
Emergency		10	0
Mendlesham Green...		11	6
Heralds		5	6
Middlesbrough, *Providence*	1	11	7
Heralds		3	8
Newcastle-on-Tyne *Gallowgate*		12	0
Heralds		3	0
Emergency	1	18	7
Norbiton, *Zion*... ..	1	6	0
Northampton			
Heralds		5	0
Norwich, *Orford Hill*...	2	8	0
Heralds	2	2	0
Reports		4	2
Emergency ...		2	0

	£	s.	d.
Notting Hill Gate, *Bethesda*	4	17	7
Heralds	1	5	6
Emergency	7	16	9
Building Fund		11	0
Ottley		4	0
Over	1	10	0
Building Fund	0	3	6
Peckham, *Zion*... ...	1	0	0
Reports		1	0
Emergency		14	0
Pimlico, *Carmel* Emergency ...	2	0	0
Ponders End, *Eden* Emergency		5	0
Poynings, *Zion*... ...	1	8	8
Prittlewell, *Providence*	3	1	2
Heralds		7	0
Zenana	2	14	1½
Ramsey		5	0
Heralds		9	0
Reading, *Providence* ...	1	14	10¾
Heralds		7	6¼
Emergency		10	0
Reigate		13	6
Heralds		3	0
Richmond, *Salem* ...	10	11	10
Heralds		9	11
Emergency	5	3	6
Zenana	2	17	0
Romford		4	0½
Royton	5	7	0
Heralds		9	6
Rushden, *Succoth* ... Heralds		6	0
Ryde (N.S.W.)... ...	1	18	4
Heralds		3	0
St. Albans, *Bethel* ...	2	15	7
Heralds		14	0
Reports			6
Emergency	6	19	3
Zenana	2	3	8
St. Neots	5	15	0
Heralds		13	10½
Reports		2	0
Emergency	7	17	0
Saffron Walden Emergency ...		5	0
Salhouse			
Heralds		10	6
Reports		1	2
Sandgate		12	6
Shouldham Street ...		10	6
Emergency	2	5	0
Soho	3	13	11
Heralds		11	8
Reports		2	0
Emergency	2	0	0
Somersham		11	0
South Chard		10	5

	£	s.	d.
Staines			
Emergency	3	10	9
Stevenage	4	0	11
Heralds	1	12	6
Emergency	1	4	0
Stoke Ash	9	1	4½
Heralds	1	2	6
Reports		5	2½
Emergency		2	6
Stonham Parva ...		12	7
Stowmarket		1	6
Heralds		3	6
Stratford, *Gurney Road*	9	19	8½
Heralds		15	9½
Reports		1	4
Emergency ...	11	18	6
Zenana	5	6	6
Building Fund		1	0
Sunderland, *Jireh* ...	1	15	6
Swindon, *Providence* ...	2	4	0
Heralds		5	0
Reports		1	0
Sydney (N.S.W.), *Castlereagh Street* ...	3	18	8
Sydney (N.S.W.), *Temple*	2	12	6
Thame		2	0
Heralds		18	10
Reports		1	6
Tollington Park, *Zoar*			
Emergency	1	8	6
Tonbridge		17	6
Heralds		14	6
Tottenham, *Ebenezer* ...		16	4
Emergency		10	8
Tring, *Akeman Street* ...	69	3	8
Heralds	6	6	8
Reports		7	0
Emergency	37	13	4
Zenana	10	8	3½
Building Fund	25	0	0
Trowbridge, *Zion*			
Emergency	1	5	0
Tunstall	4	12	10¾
Heralds	2	6	0
Reports		2	10
Emergency		12	0
Walsall			
Reports		1	8
Emergency	1	6	6
Waltham Abbey, *Ebenezer*	2	2	0
Heralds		12	0
Reports		2	0
Emergency	2	13	9
Walthamstow, *Zion* ...	9	16	9
Heralds	1	6	0
Emergency	7	11	0
Zenana	2	0	6
Walworth, *Penrose Street*	1	0	0
Heralds ...	1	11	3
Reports ...			2
Zenana	3	6	6
Walworth, *Surrey Tabernacle*			
Reports		2	0
Emergency ...	25	15	4
Zenana	4	12	9
Wandsworth, *West Hill*			
Heralds		15	3
Reports			8
Emergency	11	16	0
Wandsworth Common, *Chatham Road*	2	17	7½
Emergency	1	0	0
Zenana ...		12	1¾
Warboys... ...	6	16	6
Emergency ...		10	0
Building Fund	1	0	0
Watford, *Beulah* ...	2	1	2¾
Watford, *Tabernacle* ...	10	5	1
Heralds		2	5
Reports		5	0
Emergency	120	0	0
Wattisham	4	19	2
Heralds		15	0
Emergency		2	6
Wellingborough, *Tabernacle*	6	12	4
Heralds		9	0
Reports		1	0
Emergency	10	13	2
West Ham, *Tabernacle*	4	18	6½
Heralds	1	5	6
Zenana	2	15	4
Whitstable		10	0
Emergency	2	5	0
Whittlesea	1	5	5
Heralds		16	0
Reports		1	6
Willingham		13	0
Heralds	1	0	11
Reports		1	2
Wisbech, *Zion*			
Emergency	3	0	0
Wooburn Green, *Ebenezer*	1	7	2
Heralds		12	0
Reports		1	0
Wood Green, *Park Ridings*	7	4	4¼
Heralds	1	2	2
Woolwich, *Carmel* ...	1	0	0
Woolwich, *Enon* ...	3	15	2
Emergency	1	0	0
Yarmouth, *York Road*		18	4½
Heralds		12	0
Reports		1	0
PERSONAL	41	0	4¾
Heralds ...		8	9	2
Reports ...			18	11

	£	s.	d.
Emergency ...	205	1	7
Zenana	12	15	10
Booth's Personal Fund	12	1	0
Building Fund	2	16	0
Interest on Deposit, 1906	19	17	10
" " " 1907	10	14	10
Annual Meeting, Collection	19	12	9½
Annual Meeting, full Receipts of Tea	3	2	0
Annual Meeting, Sale of Reports, &c.	2	8	7
Half-yearly Meeting, Collection	15	15	9
Grant, British and Foreign Bible Society	18	6	0
Balance in hand, Oct. 1st, 1906	329	19	5¼
	£2,875	1	11

General Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Aberdeen—			
Academy-street—			
Sunday-school ...		7	6
Acton, *Tabernacle*...	1	12	10
Gillett, Mr. R. ...		7	6
Graves, Master R. (box)		5	6
Pearson, Miss M. "		6	6
Askett		6	3
Aston Clinton	3	12	5
Sunday-school ...		5	6
Burnham, Mrs. J. (box)	1	.	1½
Crockett, Miss Lucy (card)		4	.
Gurney, Mrs. (box)		4	10½
Kern, Mrs. "		4	.
Memger, Mrs. "		3	2
Ralph, Miss Ada (card)			4
Rance, Mrs. (box) ...		9	1
Rolfe, Mrs. W. " ...		12	.
Sharp, Mrs. " ...		12	.
Thorn, Miss A. (card)		1	.
Aylesbury,			
Walton-street—			
Post Cards		1	6
Dearing, Miss (box)		1	8½
Roberts, Miss L. "		8	5
Smith, Miss P. "		7	11
Staddon, Mrs. "		3	3½
Thorn, Mr. "			9
Ballarat (N.S.W.)—			
Mitchell, Mr. J. ...	1		.
Bassett Street,			
Martyrs' Memorial		9	2
Sunday-school ...	1	9	6
E. and B.		10	.
Feilder, Miss R. M...	1	.	.
Bath, *Bethel*—			
Sunday-school		15	.
Brock, Mrs. ...		1	.
Clare, Mrs.		2	6
Friend ...		5	.
Robbins, Mr. P. ...		1	.
Sims, Miss		10	.
Webb, Mrs. (card)...		18	3
Beccles,			
Martyrs' Memorial—			
Sunday-school ...	3	4	11¼
Berkhampstead,			
Beulah—			
Sunday-school ...	1	8	.
Hodsden, Mrs. W. (box)		17	6
Osbourn, Mrs. (box)		5	.
Sills, Miss L. "		8	6
Woods, Mrs. "		12	.
Bermondsey,			
Lynton-road ...	13	14	.
Sunday-school ...	1	1	.
A. E. C. (box) ...	1	.	.
Collin, Mr. J. B. ...	8	8	.
" Mrs. " ...	2	2	.
Edwards, Mr. E. J.	1	1	.
Bermondsey,			
Spa-road—			
Sunday-school		10	.
Bierton—			
Brown, Miss F. (box)		2	9
Chapman, Miss B. (box)		8	6
Dearing, Mr. A. (box)		7	11
Goode, Miss M. (box)		8	6
King, Mr. G., and Family (box)...		11	8
" Mr. J. "		3	6
" Miss O. "		10	.
Leach, Miss R. (box)		8	7
Markham, Miss B. (box)		10	.
Norwood, Miss F. (box)		6	5½
Thorne, Miss L. (box)		4	4½
Bolton	2	6	5
Post Cards		3	.
House, Mr. Thos. ...		5	.
Braintree—			
Baker, Mr. A.		2	6
Brentford,			
North-road ...	11	9	2
Sunday-school ...	5	17	.
Aldworth, Miss ...		5	.
Arlidge, Miss ...	1	1	.
Dykes, Mr. W. ...		10	.
Fincham, Miss (box)		7	11½
Fromow, Miss M. ...	1	.	.
Parsons, Mrs. ...		2	6
Secrett, Mr. F. ...	2	.	.
Brighton,			
Prarthana Sabha	4	12	10½
MonthlyMeeting(box)	3	1	2
Botting, Miss "	1	.	10
Cosens, Mr. A. "		17	10
Elliott, Mr. E. H. "		9	.
Fisher, Mrs. and Miss (box)	1	9	1
Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. D. (box) ...		8	1
Gumbrell, Mr. (box)		4	10½
Haynes, Miss "		6	3
Light, Misses C. and R. (per)—			
Anon		5	.
Bates, Miss ...		5	.
Billington, Miss ...		2	6
Chapman, Miss ...		5	.
Colson, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. ...		10	.
Light, Miss E. ...		5	.
" " R. ...		4	.
Lucas, Mrs. ...		2	6
Piper, Miss ...		5	.
Sea Syte		5	.
True Sympathy ...		4	4
Vickery, Mr. ...	2	.	.
Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. (box)		14	5½
Lyle, Mrs. (box) ...		9	5½
Miller, Miss " ...	1	.	10
Parkhurst, Mr. (box)		7	4
Piper, Mr. "		10	.
Sawyer, Mr. Geo. ...		5	.
Sears, Mr. J. S. (box)		10	.
Smith, Mr. and Mrs. (box)		10	.
Stubbs, Mr. J. ...		5	.
Walder, Miss (box)		2	.
Brighton,			
Tabernacle—			
Sunday-school ...	1	5	5
Bible-class		10	8
Davey, Mr. W. ...		10	.
Bristol—			
M. B. and L. S. ...	5	.	.
Brixton,			
Tabernacle—			
Sunday-school		12	.
Bromley, ...			
College Slip ...		10	7½
Bible-class	1	7	6
Beckenham Friend	1	.	.
Cambridge, *Eden*	2	2	.
Sunday-school ...	5	1	6
Y.P.C.S.	2	.	.
Allen, Miss (box) ...		2	.½
Ansell, Mr. " ...		10	.
Day, Miss " ...		3	.½
Dellar, Miss " ...		6	11
Derby, Miss L. (box)		2	4
Haddow, Mr. "		13	7
Haynes, Miss A. (card)	2	15	.
Hunt, Mrs. (box) ...	1	12	7
Jull, Mrs. " ...		5	6
" " (card) ...	2	4	6
Le Grip, Miss A. (box)		3	.
Oxberry, Mrs. "		11	3
Songer, Miss "		1	.
Wadsworth, Mrs. (box)		2	6

	£	s.	d.
Chadwell Street,			
Mount Zion—			
Missionary Sunday, July 15th	12	2	8½
Sunday-school ...	19	.	.
Mothers' Meeting (½d. box)		5	6
Abbott, Mr. W. ...	1	1	.
Applegate, Mr. F. B.		10	6
Banks, Mrs.	1	1	.
Beckett, Mr. G. A....		10	.
„ Miss (box)		5	8
Bedford, Miss ...		5	.
Billy Bray	2	2	.
Bromfield, Mrs. (box)		7	10½
Bumstead, Mr. W....	1	.	.
Butcher, Mr. (box)		4	10
Dear, Miss „		12	.
Eyre, Mrs.		2	6
Flegg, Mrs. (box) ...		3	2
Gee, Mr. „		4	¼
Golding, Mr. E. W.		10	6
Goodhew, Mr. (box)		7	2
Hart, Miss „		4	11
Hoddy, Mrs.... ...	1	.	.
Howard's Institute		5	.
Lawrence, Miss ...		2	6
Licence, Mr. (box) ...		12	10
Linney, Mr. „ ...		4	6¼
Martin, Mr. J. ...		2	6
Martyn, Miss (box)		16	8½
McKenzie, Mr. „		10	9½
Millar, Mrs. „		1	5
„ „ ...		5	.
„ Mr. J. E. ...	1	.	.
Mitchell, Mr. E. ...	1	.	.
„ „ „ (box)	5	11	1½
Morris, Miss „		12	6
North, Miss „		17	5¾
Nunn, Mr. H. S. ...	10	.	.
Pardoe, Mrs. (box)...		6	5½
Parish, Miss E. „ ...		5	.
Ridley, Mr. „ ...	3	.	4¼
Shepherd, Mrs. (box)		3	2¾
Silvester, Misses and Master (box) ...	3	4	3
Smith, Mr. D. ...	2	2	.
Wilks, Miss		4	.
Woodward, Miss ...		10	.
Z. (per Mr. Mitchell)	25	.	.
Chatham, *Enon* ...		17	6
Cheltenham ...		8	5
Bishop, Miss A. ...		1	7
Chesham,			
Townfield	5	7	8
Sunday-school ...	3	5	4
Sale of Work ...	11	.	.
Hawkins, Miss (box)		16	.
Chobham,			
West End		14	9½
Bailey, Mr. and Mrs.		2	.
Hart, Mrs.		1	.
Lamont, Mr.... ...	1	.	.
Kimber, Mr. W. T. (card)		5	.
Sinfield, Miss ...		2	.
Sturt, Miss (card) ...		10	6
Tringham, Miss ...		5	.
Clapham,			
Courland-grove—			
Sunday-school ...	5	4	11½
Hindes, Mr. and Mrs. (box)		5	.
White, Miss M. (box)		7	6
Clapham,			
Rehoboth—			
Watts, Mr. H. ...		10	6
Clapham Junction.			
Providence—			
Sunday-school ...	1	10	.
Y.M.B.C. (box) ...		10	6
Ackworth, Mr. E. L.		6	.
Banks, Mr. R. ...	1	1	.
Keeble, Mr. S. J. (box)		14	.
Sears, Mr. R. E. „	4	.	.
„ Miss A. „		10	6
Clayton		17	.
Clifton (Beds)—			
Burgess, Mr. F. G....	1	1	.
Stevens, Miss ...		5	.
Colchester,			
St. John's-green—			
Sunday-school	2	2	6
Colnbrook—			
Sunday-school	2	10	2
Cranleigh—			
Mann, Mr. D.	1		.
Croydon,			
Derby-road—			
Sunday-school ...	6	15	1
Ledger, Miss, and Jarvis, Miss (box)		3	9
Thomas, Miss M. (per)	4	14	.
Downham Market,			
Eastoe, Mr. A. ...		2	.
Egham, *Ebenezer*—			
Sunday-school ...	1		.
Elthorne Road,			
Ebenezer—			
Sunday-school ...	2	8	.
Bible-class		17	.
Erith, *Providence* ...		19	6
Epping—			
Sunday-school ...	1	.	.
Farnborough—			
Ballard, Miss (box)		6	.
Chapman, Mrs., and Wells, Mrs. (box)		12	5
Farnham,			
Park-lane—			
Bailey, Mrs. (box)		2	.
Boxall, Miss R. „		1	1½
„ Mr. W. „		1	¼
Hewitt, Mr. A. „		18	6½
„ „ G. „		5	.
Parker, Mr. H. J. „		10	9½
Fulham, *Ebenezer*—			
Sunday-school ...	1		.
Gravesend, *Zoar*—			
Brown, Mrs		2	.
Dickson, Mr. ...		5	.
Harrison, Miss ...		1	.
Osmotherly, Miss G. A. (box)		15	5
Pearson, Mrs. R. ...		2	.
Grays, *Ebenezer*—			
Sunday-school		10	6
Guildford,			
Old Baptist Chapel	10	9	2
Sunday-school ...		16	.
Week evening Bible-class ...		12	6
Y.M.B.C.		10	10
Y.W.B.C.		17	.
Y.P.S....		11	1¼
Post Cards (per Mr. Chisnall)	12	12	2
Attfield, Miss G. (box)		5	1¾
Billing, Mr. J. ...	1	10	.
Boxes—			
Billing, Mr. J. ...		13	3
Brand, Mr. H. ...	4	10	8¾
Carwell, Miss W.	1	2	11
Chaplin, Miss M.		5	4½
Chisnall, Mr. W.	1	8	9½
Dry, Mr. B.		2	9
Farbon, Misses ...		6	7½
Foster, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. ...		6	1
Foster, Mr. & Mrs. G.		10	8
Garton, Mr. ...		3	9
Gilbert, Miss ...		10	.
Boxes—			
Gilbert, Miss		12	5
Goodchild, Mr. ...		2	8½
Gravett, Mrs.		3	7½
Handley, Mrs. ...		5	.
Harding, Miss V.		5	.
Hearsey, Miss L.		8	6
Martin, Mrs.		13	2
McGill, Miss	1	2	
Boxes—			
McGill, Miss ...		9	11½
Nicholson, Mr. & Mrs.		8	7
Parsons, Mr. & Mrs.		5	3½
Pickett, Miss		6	9½
Searle, Mr.		2	9½
Shellard, Mr. G. ...	1	6	3
Snell, Mr. A. ...	1	1	6
Usler, Miss		11	11
Walker, Miss		2	7
White, Mrs.		9	9½
Woodger, Mr. ...		5	6
Hackney, *Shalom*...	1	7	8
Hail Weston		8	10½
Haworth,			
Hall Green—			
Sunday-school ...		5	6
Earnshaw, Mrs. (box)		7	.
Eccles, Mr. F.		2	6
Friend ...			6
„ ...			6
„ (box)...		5	.
„ „ ...		4	.
„ „		2	.
„ „ ...			9
„ „ ...			6
Gurney, Mr. J.		2	6
Kane, Mrs. (box)		4	4
„ Mr. W.		5	.
Kershaw, Mr. Jas....		2	6
Kilmister, Mrs. (box)		7	4
„ Miss H....		2	.
Merrett, Mrs. H. ...		1	.
„ Miss L. (box)		3	3
Murgatroyd, Miss N. (box)		2	4
Naylor, Mrs. (box)...	1	7	4
Wakefield, Mrs. ...		2	.
„ „ (box)		5	2
High Wycombe,			
Zion		15	.
Prarthana Sabha ...	3	1	.
Cordle, Miss... ...		2	.
Feesy, Miss (box)		3	2
Hawkins, Mrs. „		3	6
Maunders, Miss „		5	6½
Morley, Mr. J. (card)		11	.
Morling, Mr. (box)		10	6½
Oxlade, Mrs. „		10	6
Rogers, Miss A. „		13	3½
„ „ R. „		8	2½
Hitchen, *Bethel*—			
Sunday-school	3	.	.
Hollinwood	1	16	9
Homerton,			
Homerton Row	4	7	6
Sunday-school	6	15	11
Booth, Mr. and Mrs. J. C.	2	10	
Evens, Miss		10	
Spratt, Mrs. ...		10	
„ Mr. & Mrs. A. G.	1	.	.
„ „ „ (box)		12	.
Hounslow, *Zoar* ...	4	1	2
Sunday-school	5	3	.
Bible-class ...	2	10	.
Ebbs, Miss ...	1	.	.
Fisher, Miss...		2	6
Flegg, Mr. J. E.	1	.	.
Moseley, Miss ...		2	6
Robbins, Mr. A. J....	2	10	
Hoxne—			
Boxes—			
Bloomfield, Master F.		1	7
Coleman, Miss E.		4	

	£	s.	d.
Hammond, Miss G.		2	.
Harper, Mr. H.		5	4
Miles, Mrs. G. ...		3	1½
Rowe, Miss E. ...		2	9
Ipswich, *Bethesda* ...	7	8	6
Mann, Miss		2	.
Noad, Miss		2	6
Three Sisters		7	6
Watson, Mr. E. J. ...		10	.
Ipswich, *Zoar*—			
Sunday-school ...	5	12	2
Baldwin, Mrs. ...		4	3
Farrow, Mr.		14	.
„ „ (box)...		11	9½
Grayston, Miss B. ...		2	7
Roe, Miss		3	.
Threadkell, Miss I. (box)		3	.
Wright, Miss, A. (box)	3	3	11½
Kings Langley, *Zion*			
Butler, Mr. A. ...		2	6
Kingston-on-Thames, *Providence*—			
Sunday-school ...	2	14	.
Bedford, Miss (box)		2	.
Lambourn, Mrs. J. (box)		10	.
„ Miss „		2	6
Millns, Miss (box) ...		2	.
Pilborough, Mrs. (box)		2	6
Lee, *Dacre Park* ...	1	8	.
Sunday-school	2	10	.
Bible-class		9	11½
Y.W.B.C. (box) ...		3	7
Sears, Mrs. C.W. (box)		5	6
Lewisham, *College Park*	2	9	1
Leyton, *Goldsmith-road*—			
Forfeitt, Mr. A. J. (box)		8	.
Limehouse, *Elim*—			
Sunday-school ...		5	9
Adams, Miss ...			6
Bayes, Mr. ...		2	.
Martin, Mr. (box)		6	2½
Thomas, Mrs.		3	4½
Lowestoft, *Tonning-street*—			
Sunday-school ...		5	6
Large, Mrs. (box) ...	1	18	6
Madras—			
Booth, Mr. & Mrs. E. A.	5		.
Morling, Mr. D. ...	2		.
Maidstone, *Providence*—			
Sunday-school		15	.
Manchester	2	16	5
Post Cards		1	6
A. L., Mr. & Family (box)		10	3½
C. P., Mr. (box) ...		7	1
Chaplin, Mr. F. ...		4	.
„ „ J. ...		3	1
„ „ W. ...		10	6
Cooper, Mr. G. G. ...		4	.
„ Mr. F. ...		3	10½
E., Mrs. (box) ...		6	1
F. C., Mr. „		2	6
Friend		2	6
G. G. C., Mr. (box)...		1	10
Gruber, Mr. H.		16	5
H. G., Mr. (box)		5	.
Heeford, Mr.		14	9
Haig, Mr.		4	6
J. C., Mr. (box)		4	9½
Lawton, Mr. A.		7	6
Littlewood, Mr. A....		8	6
McKee, Mr. S. F.		2	.
„ „ S. B.		4	1
Milton, Mr. D.		6	.
Pearson, Mrs. F.	1	3	3
Pumfrey, Mr. C. ...		6	6
R. W., Mr. (box) ...		1	3½
Rowson, Mr. J. ...	1	.	.
Shipway, Mrs. ...		10	.
S. F. M., Mr. (box)...		5	.
S. B. M., „ „ ...		3	4
W. C., „ „ ...		9	.
Whitfield, Mr. R. ...		4	7
Wilkinson, Mrs. ...		5	.
March, *Providence*—			
Morton, Mrs. ...	1	1	.
Margate, *Mount Ephraim* ...	1		.
Marylebone, *Mount Zion*—			
Sunday-school ...	24	9	2
Barradell, Mr. ...	1	1	.
„ „ (box)	1	4	3
Barratt, Mrs. ...		5	.
Bunce, Mr.		10	.
Cobb, Mr. & Mrs. ...	1	.	6
Douglas, Mrs. ...		2	6
Fraser, Mr.	2	.	.
Goodley, Mr.... ...	1	1	.
Gosling, Miss ...		5	.
Grimes, Mr.	1	1	.
Harris, Mr. C. C. ...	10	10	.
„ Mrs. C. C. ...	10	10	.
„ Mr. C. W....	1	1	.
„ Miss ...		5	.
„ Misses E. & S.	1	.	.
„ Mr. and Mrs. H. C. ...	2	.	.
„ Mrs. H. C....	1	.	.
Hazelton, Mr. ...	1	1	.
Howe, Mrs.	2	2	.
Lawrence, Miss ...		5	.
Lawson, Mrs. ...	2	2	.
Millwood, Mr. ...	1	1	.
„ „ (box)		7	6
Robbins, Miss M. ...		10	.
Russell, Mrs. ...		5	.
Sampson, Mrs. ...		1	.
Sears, Mr. R. S. W.	1	1	.
Sennett, Mr.... ...	1	1	.
Smith, Mr. D. F. ...	1	1	.
Tarrant, Mrs. ...		5	.
Tompson, Misses ...		10	.
Vine, Mr. C. S. ...		10	6
„ „ C. A. ...		10	6
„ „ A. ...		10	6
Mayford		10	.
Mendlesham Green		11	6
Middlesbrough, *Providence*—			
Sunday-school ...		3	6
Allick, Mrs.		6	6
„ Master Willie		1	.
Pay, Mr. R.		2	6
Salmon, Mr. J. M. ...		2	7
Taylor, Miss H. L. ...		13	6
„ „ J. ...		2	.
Newcastle-on-Tyne *Gallowgate*—			
Beall, Miss B. (box)		12	.
Norbiton, *Zion*	1	6	.
Norwich, *Orford Hall* ...		4	.
Sunday-school ...	1	17	.
Friend		1	.
Purling, Miss L. (box)		2	.
„ Mr. J. „		4	.
Notting Hill Gate, *Bethesda*		17	6
Sunday-school ...	1	10	.
Lecture, per Mr. Crick ...	1	.	.
Gardner, Miss (box)	1	3	10
Whatling, Miss (box)		6	3
Otley—			
Freeman, Miss L. (class)		4	.
Over ...	1	10	.
Peckham, *Zion*—			
Sunday-school ...		10	.
Y.P.B.C.		5	.
Knight, Mr. Jas. (box)		5	.
Poynings, *Zion* -			
Sunday-school	1	8	8
Prittlewell, *Providence*—			
Sunday-school ...	1	10	8
Elnaugh, Mr. G. ...		10	6
Fromow, Mrs. ...	1	.	.
Ramsey—			
Norman, Miss M. E., per card		5	.
Reading, *Providence*—			
Bizzell, Miss (box)		3	4
„ Master „		5	6
Bally, Miss (box)...		1	6½
Gough, „ „ ...		5	.
Morton, „ „ ...		3	7
Prior, Mr. „ ...		2	2
Richardson, Miss (card)		4	6
Smith, Miss (box) ...		3	3
Vinden, „ „ ...		2	.
Walters, „ „ ...		4	.
Reigate, Lochead, Mr. T. F. (box)		13	6
Richmond, *Salem*	3	18	3
Sunday-school ...	3	3	.
Bible-class		3	9
Annual Meeting ...	1	11	4
Lecture, per Mr. Brand ...	1	.	.
Sale of Cards ...			6
Field, Miss		5	.
Robinson, Mr. W. B.		10	.
Romford		4	.
Royton, *Bethesda* ...	4	5	7
Sunday-school ...		18	11
Friend (box) ...		2	6
Ryde (N.S.W.) ...	1	18	4
St. Albans, *Bethel*—			
Boxes—			
Ansell, Mr. ...		2	.
Eldred, Mrs. ...		7	5
Gregory, Miss, and Tappin, Miss ...		10	6
Groom, Miss E. ...		4	10½
Hawkins, Mr. ...		8	2½
Jeffs, Mr		2	6
Mitchell, Miss ...			8½
Paul, Miss ...		13	10
Whitbread, Mr. ...		5	6½
St. Neots—			
Sunday-school ...	2	17	.
Bible-class	1	18	.
Broughton, Miss ...		5	.
Cook, Mr.		5	.
Hazelton, Mr. ...		10	.
Sandgate—			
Sunday-school ...		12	6
Shouldham Street—			
Sunday-school ...		10	6
Soho—			
Sunday-school ...	3	7	5
Camp, Mrs. E. (box)		6	6
Somersham—			
Bible-class ...		11	.
South Chard—			
Lurcombe, Mr. A. J. (box)		10	5
Stevenage	4	.	11
Stoke Ash	6	7	7½
Sunday-school ...	1	3	.
Colson, Mr. & Mrs....		10	6
Boxes—			
Cracknell, Miss A.		7	10½
Davey, Miss ...		1	3½
Selbourne, Miss D.		1	7
Whiteman, Miss K.		9	6

	£	s.	d.
Stonham-Parva—			
Sunday-school (box)		3	5½
Vestry (box)... ...		9	1½
Stowmarket—			
Cooper, Mr. J.		1	6
Stratford,			
Gurney-road ...	3	12	.
Sunday-school ...	1	14	6
Quarterly Subs. ...	3	16	11½
Hazel Bros. (box) ...		1	5½
Luce, Mrs. „ ...		8	4
Tooke, Miss E. (box)		5	7½
Webb, Mr. C. S. „			10½
Sunderland,			
Jireh—			
Sunday-school ...		3	4½
Boxes—			
Birkbeck, Mr. J....		4	.
Cousins, Mrs. ...		2	3
Johnson, Mrs. ...			3½
Newman, Miss C.			6½
Ratcliffe, Mr. T. ...	1	2	.
„ Miss D.			10
Smith, Miss ...		2	2½
Swindon, *Providence*	1	16	.
Sunday-school ...		5	2
Cripps, Messrs. M. & H.			4½
Wilkins, „ E. & J.	1		2½
Wilton, Miss T. (box)		1	3
Sydney (N.S.W.),			
Castlereagh-street	3	.	8
Sunday-school ...		18	.
Sydney (N.S.W.),			
Temple	2	12	6
Thame—			
Friend (per W. G. C.)		2	.
Tonbridge—			
Sunday-school		17	6
Tottenham,			
Ebenezer—			
Y.P.S.... ...		10	.
Brand, Mr. (per)		6	4
Tring,			
Akeman-street ...	14	10	.
Senior Christian Endeavour Society ...	12	19	.¼
Junior Christian Endeavour Society ...	1	8	8½
Mothers' Meeting (box)		7	10½
Y.W.B.C.		19	4½
Boys' Classes ...	2	8	.
Lecture by Mr. Brand	2	.	.
Bagnall, Mrs. Jas. (box)		4	2½
„ „ Jno. „		7	8½
Beer, Miss „		2	8½
Burch, „ „		7	1½
Butcher, Mr., and Family	11	10	.
Butcher, Miss E. (carriage on Christmas boxes)		10	.
Butcher, Miss E. (Mr. H.'s booklets)		6	6
Butcher, Miss G. (class)	1	1	9½
Colls, Mary, Dorothy and Edgar ...	1	18	2
Crosswell, Mrs. (box)		12	2
Fincher, Mrs. A. „		2	6½
Fleckley, Mr. „		3	10½
Foskett, Mrs. „		4	5
Glover, Mr.	1	.	.
Boxes—			
Glover, Mr. Thos.	2	15	9½
Gower, Mrs. E. ...		5	8½
„ „ J. ...		12	.
Grace, Miss E. ...		1	11
Gregory, Mr. ...		5	5½
Gurney, Miss ...		3	6
„ „ A. ...		3	6½
Hanwell, Miss ...		8	2½
Hanwell, Miss N....			7½
Hedges, Mrs. R....	1	6	1½
„ Miss ...		3	3½
„ Master J. R.		18	7½
Higby, Mrs. ...		2	.
Howlett, Mr. Jno.		7	3½
Humphrey, Miss H.		1	8½
Ives, Mrs. E. ...		2	4½
Janes, Mrs. ...		4	3
Jeffs, Mrs.... ...		1	11½
Johnson, Mrs. F...		11	4
Jones, Mr.... ...		4	11
„ Mrs. ...		5	8½
King, Miss F. ...		13	4
Marchain, Miss D.		4	4
Maull, Misses ...	2	9	7
Oakley, Miss B. ...		1	4
Osborn, Miss C....		12	8
Parsons, Mr. W....		7	3½
Rawlins, Mrs. W.		1	10
„ Miss ...		4	11½
Sharman, Miss A.		2	4
Swayby, Mr. ...		5	1
Toms, Miss ...		6	2
Warren, Miss S....		6	3
Williams, Miss N.		2	.
Wright, Mrs. A., senr.		7	8½
Wright, Mrs. Jesse		5	1
„ Mrs. A. L.			9½
„ Mrs. Geo.		2	5
Tunstall	1	6	6
Sunday-school ...		9	8½
Boyton Branch Chapel	1	3	6½
Eyke „ „		5	3
Boxes—			
Brown, Mrs.... ...		1	.
Cattermole, Miss E.		1	9½
Garrod, Mr. J. ...		4	1
Herring, Mrs. ...			3
Imy, Miss E. ...		3	2
„ Mr. G. ...		2	5
Knight, Miss E. ...		1	4½
Lyons, Mrs. J. ...		2	10
Meadows, Mrs. F.		5	2
Snowden, Miss R.		5	6½
Tye, Mr. E. ...			4
Waltham Abbey,			
Ebenezer—			
Sunday-school	2	2	.
Walthamstow,			
Zion—			
Sunday-school ...		10	11
Y.P.M.S.	5	6	8
Sewing Class ...		14	6
Sewing Class (Annual Meeting) ...		12	8
Post Cards		9	.
Booth, Mr. and Mrs. A.	1	10	0
„ Mrs. A. (box)		5	6
Sharpe, Mrs. J. „		7	6
Walworth—			
Penrose-street—			
Sunday-school	1	.	.
Wandsworth Common,			
Chatham-road ...	1	9	10
Sunday-school ...	1	7	9½
Warboys	5	14	.
Alderson, Miss E. M. (per)		11	.
March, Miss L. (card)		11	6
Watford, *Beulah—*			
Sunday-school	2	1	2½
Watford,			
Tabernacle	3	2	6
Sunday-school	6	16	7
W. D.		6	.
Wattisham ...	4	2	10
Cooper, Mrs. (box)...		8	.
Gremlyn, Mrs. R. „		4	.½
Harsant, Mrs. „		4	3½
Wellingborough,			
Tabernacle			
Sunday-school ...	6	2	4
Sharman, Mrs. M. R.		10	.
West Ham,			
Tabernacle—			
Sunday-school	4	5	5
I.B.R.A.		5	.
Applegate, Miss A.		8	1½
Whitstable—			
Brand, Mr. S.		10	
Whittlesea—			
Sunday-school		9	9½
Bible-class		7	6
Benstead, Miss S. (box) ...		4	.
Ingle, Miss ...		4	1½
Willingham—			
Sunday-school		9	6
Tibbitt, Miss ...		3	6
Wooburn Green—			
Ebenezer—			
Sunday-school (box)		18	5
Collett, Mr. W. (card)			6
Tedbury, Mr. A. „		7	3
Vernon, Mr. J. „		1	.
Wood Green—			
Park Ridings—			
Y.M.B.C.		13	8
Y.W.B.C.		13	6½
Sunday-school (boxes)	4	13	.½
Turner, Mr. C. S. (per)	1	4	1
Woolwich—			
Carmel—			
Sunday-school ...	1		
Woolwich, *Enon—*			
Sunday-school ...	2	10	.
Cocks, Miss (box) ...		10	6
Furlong, Mrs. (box)		5	.
Patterson „ „		9	8
Yarmouth,			
York-road—			
Sunday-school ...		12	6
Pulford, Miss (per)		5	10½
Personal—			
Anonymous ...		2	.
Artiss, Mr. H. J. ...		1	.
Ash, Mr. R.		10	.
„ Miss	1	7	.
Baker, Mr. A. ...		2	6
Ballard, Miss (box)...		15	.
Banks, Mr. G. and Family	1	.	.
Billing, Miss S. E....	1	.	.
Bourne, Mr. E. C....		2	.
Brain, Miss R. M. ...		5	.
Brazier, Mrs. B. ...		2	.
Brown, Mr. S. H. ...	1	.	.
Caplin, Mr. S. B. ...		5	.
Cattell, Mr., 1905-6...	4	4	.
Cooper, Miss E. L....	2	.	.
Craddock, Miss D. (box)	1	.	.
Dadswell, Mr. J. (box)		3	.
Deal, Miss C. H. ...	1	1	.
Deaves, Mr. & Mrs. W.		5	.
Denmee, Mr. W. J. (box)		5	.
Dilley, Mr. J. ...		2	6
Driver, Mr. & Mrs. J.		6	.
E., Miss		2	6
Fearnley, Mr. T. ...	1	.	.
Fowler, Mr. (box)...		2	6
„ Miss D. (box)		1	6
„ „ G. „		8	.
Freeman, Miss L. (per)		3	
Friend	1	.	
Gridley, Mr. W.		10	
H. W....		5	.
Howard, Mr. J. R....	1	10	.
Hutchinson, Mr. S. (box)		12	.
J. P.		2	6

	£	s.	d.
J. P. G.		5	.
Jackson, Miss M. ...		10	.
James, Mr. J. ...		5	.
Lucas, Mr. Jas. ...		1	.
M. B.		10	.
Nedi		5	.
Newson, Mr. F. J. ...		1	.
Rider, Mr. J. H. ...		10	.
Ruffel, Mr. Geo. ...		10	.
Schweitzer, Miss A.		5	.
Schweitzer, Miss S.		7	.
Sears, Mr. & Mrs. R. E.	4	7	.
Secrett, Mr. J. ...	1		.
Slingo, Miss O. ...		15	.
Smith, Mr. E. (box)		2	6
Sparks, Miss ...		10	.
Staines, Miss K. ...		5	.
Staines, Miss R. (business B.C.) ...	1	5	.
Steele, Mr. A. ...	1	1	.
Taylor, Mr. S. M. ...		2	6
Thrower, Mr. A.W. (box)		3	.
Turnpenny, Mr. H. C. (box)		13	.
Tyler, Mr. Geo. ...	2	2	.
Wakefield, Mrs. A....		5	.
„ Mr. & Mrs. A.		5	.
Watts, Miss E. M. ...	1	.	.
Wells, Miss E. M. ...	1	.	.
Whittaker, Mrs. ...	1	.	4½

Emergency Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Acton, *Tabernacle*...	2	1	.
Aldbury	1	6	1
Aston Clinton—			
Burnham, Mr. Jas....	1	1	.
Attleboro—			
Greenwell, Mrs. J....		5	.
Aylesbury, *Walton Street—*			
Easter Offering ...	1	10	6
Friend		2	.
Basingstoke—			
Bible-class		10	.
Bassett Street, *Martyrs' Memorial*		10	6
Sunday-school ...	1	.	.
Field, Miss A. J. ...		10	.
Bath, *Bethel—*			
Gray, Miss (per) ...	1	15	.
Beccles, *Martyrs' Memorial—*			
Children's Entertainment		13	.
Berkhampstead	3	7	9
Tompkins, Mr. ...		5	.
Bermondsey, *Lynton-road—*			
Anonymous	2	2	.
Blackman, Mr. H. ...	2	2	.
Collin, Mr. J. B. ...	10	.	.
E. S.		5	.
Edwards, Mr. G. ...	1	.	.
Gosling, Mr. ...		10	.
Holyoak, Mr. (card)		10	
Bermondsey, *Spa-road—*			
Sunday-school ...		10	.
Bexley Heath—			
Friends, per Mrs. W. Wright	1	10	.
Bierton	4	6	.
Brentford, *North-road*			
Charman, Mrs. R. (per) ...	1	.	.
Friend		2	.
Fromow, Mr. E. ...	1	.	.
„ Miss E. ...		7	6
Mutimer, Mr. R ...	2	.	.
Self Denial		5	.
Stokes, Mr.		3	.
Brighton, *Prarthana Sabha—*			
Adams, Mr.		19	.
Anonymous	1	1	.
„		5	.
„		5	.
Ashley, Mrs., per Mr. Lucas		3	.
Baker, Miss M.		1	.
Banfield, Mr. S.	1	.	.
Billington, Miss ...		10	.
Bletsoe, Mr. & Mrs.		10	.
Botting, Mr. & Mrs. S.	5	.	.
„ Miss H. ...	1	1	.
Broadbridge, Mr. and Mrs.	1	.	.
Broadbridge, Masters A. & W....			2
Chapman, Mr. J. H.	2	.	.
„ Miss ...	1	1	.
„ „ E.	1	.	.
„ „ L.	1	.	.
Collis, Mrs.		5	.
Cozens, Mrs., Senr....	2	.	.
„ Mr. & Mrs. F.	1	.	.
„ Mr. A. ...		2	.
„ Master E. ...		1	.
Day, Mrs.		1	.
Eade, Mr. Jno. ...		5	.
Elliott, Mr. and Mrs.	2	10	.
Fisher, Mrs. and Miss	1	.	.
„ Mr. & Mrs. D.	1	.	.
Friend, per Mr. S. Botting	5	.	.
Friend		5	.
Friends (Two) ...		10	.
Gregory, Miss ...		10	6
Gumbrell, Mr. & Mrs. (per)	1	1	.
Haynes, Miss ...	1	.	.
„ „ R. ...		2	6
„ „ E. ...		2	6
Holford, Mrs. ...		10	.
Huninsett, Mrs. ...		5	.
Light, Miss M. ...		5	.
„ „ C. ...		5	.
Lucas, Mr. and Mrs.	5	.	.
Meeten, Miss ...		5	.
M. G. F.		3	6
Nevard, Miss ...		1	6
Parkhurst, Mr. & Mrs. (per)	1	1	.
Piper, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. ...	1	.	.
Piper, Miss		7	.
Rankin, Miss ...		5	.
Scarfe, Mrs.		1	.
Sears, Mr. Jas. S. ...	1	1	.
Smith, Mr. and Mrs. D. R.	2	.	.
Smith, Mrs. ...		5	.
True Sympathy		5	.
Vickery, Mr. W.	5	.	.
Walker, Misses A. and M.		10	.
Westgate, Miss E. ...		10	.
Brixton, *Tabernacle*	2	5	.
Bible-class		10	.
Friends in Country		7	.
Sapey, Mr.		14	.
„ „ T. L. ...		5	.
Bromley, *College Slip*	1	1	.
Bury, *Providence—*			
Bible-class		10	.
Cambridge, *Eden—*			
Jull, Mr.	1	.	.
Kellett, Mrs.... ...	1	.	.
Sturton, Mr.... ...	10	.	.
Carlton	1	.	.
Chadwell Street, *Mount Zion—*			
Allen, Mr.		1	.
Applegate, Mr. F. B.	1	1	.
Billy Bray	2	2	.
Briscoe, Mr. J. ...	1	.	.
Browning, Mrs. ...		10	.
Fricker, Mr. ...	1	1	.
„ Mrs. ...	1	.	.
G. R.	1	.	.
Hammond, Mr. and Miss		5	.
Hart, Miss		2	.
Hill, Misses		10	.
Hoddy, Miss ...		2	6
Jones, Mrs.		5	.
Lawrence, Miss ...		2	.
Logsdon, Mrs. ..		5	.
Maitland, Mrs. ...		1	.
Mapp, Miss			6
Mattock, Miss ...		10	.
McKenzie, Mr. & Mrs.	1	1	.
Millar, Mr. T. G. ...	1	.	.
Mitchell, Mr. E. ...	5	.	.
Morris, Miss... ...		2	6
Nunn, Mr. H. S. ...	25	.	.
Othan, Mrs.		2	.
Pardoe, Mrs. ...		5	.
Simmonds, Mr. ...		10	.
Smith, Mr. D. ...	10	.	.
Spooner, Mr. ...		1	.
Ssalc Gnignis ...	50	.	.
Webb, Mr. Jas. ...	5	.	.
Woodward, Miss ...		5	.
Chatham, *Enon—*			
Sunday-school		14	6
Chelmsford	7	.	.
Beach, Mrs. ...		10	.
Cheltenham, *Providence*	2	2	.
Clapham, *Courland Grove* ...	4	.	.
Clapham Junction, *Providence—*			
Banks, Mr. Robt. ...	3	3	.
Sears, Mr. R. E. ...	5	.	.
Clifton (Beds)—			
Burgess, Mr. F. G....		5	.
Colchester, *St. John's Green—*			
Green, Miss J. M. ...		5	.
Cransford	1	11	3
Kindred, Mrs. W. (per)		5	.

	£	s.	d.
Croydon,			
Derby-road—			
Pearson, Mrs.		5	.
Downe (Farnborough) ...	2	10	.
Dunstable,			
Old Baptist Chapel		7	.
Eaton Bray—			
Thorne, Mr. A. (per)	1	1	.
Elthorne Road,			
Ebenezer—			
Davis, Mr. H. J. ...		10	.
Erith, *Providence* ...	2	8	6
Farnham,			
Park-lane	1	15	.
Freshingfield ...	1	8	.
Fulham, *Ebenezer*...	1	8	6
Grantham,			
Castlegate	1	5	6
Gravesend, *Zoar*—			
E. and G. O....		10	.
Grays, *Ebenezer*		11	8
Guildford,			
Old Baptist Chapel—			
Anonymous... ...100		.	.
„ Xmas Gift		5	.
„ „		5	.
Billing, Mr. J. ... 26		.	.
Brand, Mr. H. ... 15		.	.
Chisnall, Mr. ... 5		.	.
„ „ (per)...		11	7
Friend, per Mr. Chisnall 25		.	.
Friend, per Mr. Chisnall 25		.	.
G. C.		3	.
Garton, Mr. and Mrs.		2	.
Handley, Mrs. ...		1	.
Martin, Mrs.... ...		5	.
Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs....		5	.
Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. D.		5	.
Rae, Mr.		5	.
Wells, Mr. A. ...	2	2	.
White, Master O. ...		1	.
Halstead,			
Providence ...	1	13	6
High Wycombe,			
Zion—			
Morling, Mr. J. ...		15	.
Rogers, Miss M. (per)		7	6
Horham	5	.	.
Hounslow, *Zoar*—			
Friend		1	.
„	1	.	.
Robbins, Master J. W.		1	.
Ipswich, *Bethesda*...	1	11	1
Ipswich, *Zoar*—			
Pickess, Miss E....	1	1	.
Kenninghall ...	1	6	.
Kingston-on-Thames,			
Providence ...	2	5	.
Lewisham,			
College Park ...	1	11	.
Sunday-school ...	1	.	.
Leyton,			
Goldsmith-road ...	1	1	.
Limehouse, *Elim*—			
Holden, Mr. F. C. ...		5	.
Lowestoft,			
Tonning-street—			
Green, Mr. F.			6
Madras—			
Booth, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. (thank-offering)... 50		.	.
Manchester,			
Rochdale-road -			
C. P.	1	1	.
Chaplin, Mr. F. ...		7	6
H. G.		5	.
J. C.		2	6
J. H.		2	6
J. R. H.	1	.	.
Marylebone,			
Mount Zion	11	11	9
Anonymous... ...	1	.	.
„ 100		.	.
Chilvers, Miss ...	1	1	.
Goodley, Mr. ...	10	.	.
Harris, Misses E. & H.	6	.	.
„ „ S. & E.	3	.	.
„ Mr. H. C. ...	25	.	.
Hazelton, Mr. & Mrs.	5	.	.
Russell, Mr.... ...	5	.	.
Sears, Mr. R. S. W...	10	.	.
Mayford		10	.
Newcastle-on-Tyne,			
Gallowgate ...	1	18	7
Norwich,			
Orford Hill—			
Friend		2	.
Notting Hill Gate,			
Bethesda	4	2	.
Sunday-school ...	1	.	.
Ackland, Mr. & Mrs.	2	.	.
Gardner, Miss (box)		14	9
Peckham, *Zion*—			
Y.P.B.C.		14	.
Pimlico, *Carmel*—			
Sunday-school	1	.	.
Guild of Help	1	.	.
Ponders End,			
Eden ...		5	.
Reading,			
Providence—			
Friends, per Mr. H. Fowler		10	.
Richmond, *Salem*	2	12	6
Annual Meeting ...	1	10	.
Robinson, Mr. J. ...	1	1	.
St. Albans, *Bethel*	6	12	8½
Sunday-school ...		6	6½
St. Neots	7	4	6
Barritt, Mr. W. ...		10	.
From Cakes... ...		2	6
Saffron Walden—			
A Poor Man... ...		5	.
Shouldham Street	1	15	.
Sunday-school ...		10	.
Soho—			
Simpson, Mr. G. ...	2	.	.
Staines	1	10	9
McKee, Mr. J. ...	2	.	.
Stevenage	1	4	.
Stoke Ash—			
Friend, per Miss L. H. ...		2	6
Stratford,			
Gurney-road ...	11	18	6
Tollington Park,			
Zoar	1	8	6
Tottenham,			
Ebenezer—			
Y.P.S.		10	8
Tring, *Akeman-street*	34	18	.
Working Men's Christian Association ...	1	11	4
Anonymous... ...	1	1	.
E. W. (per)		1	.
Invalid Friend ...		2	.
Trowbridge, *Zion*—			
Gore, Miss M. L. (per)	1	.	2½
Merrett, Miss R. (class)		4	9½
Tunstall		12	.
Walsall—			
Peace, Mrs. S. ...	1	6	6
Waltham Abbey,			
Ebenezer	1	12	9
Brown, Mr. C. H. ...	1	1	.
Walthamstow,			
Zion—			
Y.M.P.S.	1	1	.
Booth, Mr. A. ...		10	.
„ Mr. & Mrs. A.	1	.	.
Turnpenny, Mr. H. C.	5	.	.
Walworth,			
Surrey Tabernacle	25	5	4
Friend, per Miss K. Staines		10	.
Wandsworth,			
West Hill—			
Sunday-school ...	1	1	.
Abbott, Mr. & Mrs....		5	.
Burrows, Mr. ...		10	6
Dean, Mr.	1	.	.
„ Mr. & Mrs. T.		5	.
Franklin, Mr. ...		2	6
Holloway, Mr. & Mrs.		5	.
Jarvis, Mrs.	5	.	.
Jones, Mr. and Mrs.		5	.
Lambourne, Miss ...	1	1	.
Mulliner, Miss O. ...	1	1	.
„ Mr. W. ...		5	.
Snow, Miss		4	.
Thirteen Friends ...		13	.
Wandsworth Common,			
Chatham-road—			
Flegg, Mr. J. E. ...	1		
Warboys—			
E. M. ...		10	.
Watford,			
Tabernacle ...	40	.	.
Roberts, Mr. H. W.	80	.	.
Wattisham,			
Harsant, Master G.		2	6
Wellingborough,			
Tabernacle ...	10	13	2
Whittlesea	2	5	.
Wisbech, *Zion* ...	3	.	.
Woolwich, *Enon*—			
Sunday-school	1		
Personal—			
A Well-Wisher in South Africa ...	3	3	
Anonymous... ...100		.	
„ M. ...		15	
Abbott, Mr. W.	1	1	
Allder, Mr. J. J. ...	1	.	
American, Glasgow		10	
Bartlett, Mr. J. S.W.	1	1	
Bennett, Mr. J.	5	.	
Bibby, Mr. W.		5	
Brand, Mrs. H. ...		1	
„ Miss M. Grace		5	
Burt, Miss L. (per)...		4	6
C.		10	.
Caplin, Mr. and Mrs. S. B.	2	.	.
Careless, Mr. Chas.	2	2	.
Chapman, Mr. J.	1	.	.
Cheer Up ...		1	
Chisholm, Mr.		10	6
Coe, Mrs. E.... ...	1	.	.
Colson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W.	3	3	.
Congregationalist ...	1	.	.
Cooper, Mr. Jas. ...	1	11	6
„ Miss E. L.	1	.	.
Cottee, Mr. J. W. ...		10	.
Crichton, Mr. A. B.	1	.	
Curtis, Mr. ...		5	
Davey, Mr. A.		5	
Davis, Mr. E.		5	
„ Miss...	1	1	
Day, Miss F....		10	
Deaves, Mr. Wm. ...		10	
Dorbon, Miss R.		5	
E. and E. (West Kensington)	1	.	
E. C.		2	

	£	s.	d.
E. K. ...		1	.
Elliott, Misses		10	.
Everett, Mr. N.		10	.
Fisher, Mr. E. ...	5	.	.
Forrester, Mr. J. W.	7	.	.
Fowler, Mr. C. J. ...	1	.	.
,, Mr. H. ...	1	14	9
Frazer, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. ...	1	1	
"Freely ye have received, freely give"	3	8	6
Friend ...	10	.	.
,, ...		10	.
Gamble, Mr. T. W.		5	.
Hampshire, Miss F. E.		2	6
Harris, Mr. G.	2	2	.
Herzig, Miss Rosa ...		2	6
Hasksley, Miss ...	1	1	.
In Memoriam, I.H.M.		10	.
Instone, Mr. G. ...		5	.
J. F., Mr. ...	1	.	.
J. F., Mrs.	1	.	.
Ledward, Mr. H. D.	2	2	.
Ling, Mr. W. ...	1	1	.
Lobjoit, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. ...	1	.	.
Lobjoit, Mr. W. G....	1	1	.
McNally, Mr. ...		5	.
Monroe, Mr. Geo. ...	2	2	.
Osmotherly, Miss K. F.		10	.
Oliver, Mrs. J. W. ...		5	.
Pafford, Misses ...	1	.	.
Page, Mr. J.... ...		2	6
Parsons, Miss ...		1	.
Partridge, Mr. J. ...		10	4
Pearson, Mr. ...		10	.
Pickett, Mr. W. ...		5	.
Priestly, Mr. J. G. ...		10	.
Proctor, Mr. J. ...		5	.
Readers of *The Christian* ...	3	12	6
Ricketts, Miss L. ...	1	.	.
Roads, Mrs. F. ...		5	.
Rutledge, Miss E. (card)	1	5	.
Sawyer, Mr. G. ...	1	1	.
Schweitzer, Miss A. S.		5	.
,, Miss E. ...		3	.
Scott, Miss E. ...		10	6
Sears, Mr. R. E. ...	1	.	.
Smith, Mr. E. H. ...	2	2	.
Thomas, Miss M. ...		5	.
Vickers, Mr. W. ...	10	.	.
Watts, Miss E. M. ...	1	.	.
White, Mrs.		2	.
Wolns, Miss L. A. (card)	1	1	

Special Donations

On behalf of Mr. Booth's loss through Bank failure.

	£	s.	d.
Cambridge, *Eden*—			
Y.P.C.S. and B. of H.	4	6	2½
Chadwell Street, *Mount Zion*—			
Billy Bray ...	1	1	.
Ssalc Gnignis ...	50	.	.
Hounslow, *Zoar*—			
Robbins, Mrs. ...	5	.	.
Marylebone, *Mount Zion*—			
Anon....	25	.	.
Friend	50	.	.
Personal—			
Cocks, Mr. and Mrs.	1	1	
Forrester, Mr. J. W.	1	.	
Friend	5	.	
Harris, Mr. J. ...	5	.	

Special Donation

On behalf of Mr. Morling's loss through Bank failure.

Cambridge, *Eden*—Y.P.C.S. and B. of H. .... £2 . .

Building Fund.

	£	s.	d.
Basingstoke—			
Chappell, Miss N. ...		15	3
Chelmsford—			
Beach, Mrs. ...		10	.
Clifton—			
Burgess, Mr. F. G...		5	.
Ipswich, *Bethesda*—			
Kemp, Mrs. ...	1	3	.
Madras—			
Morling, Mr. D.	2		.
Notting Hill Gate, *Bethesda*—			
Gardner, Miss (box)		11	.
Over—			
Hemington, Miss I. (card)		3	6
Stratford, *Gurney-road*—			
Ince, Miss F. J. ...		1	.
Tring, *Akeman-street*—			
Friend	25		.
Warboys—			
Friend		1	.
PERSONAL—			
Anon.		2	.
Dilley, Mr. J. ...		3	.
Leake, Mr. C. W. ...	1	1	.
Rider, Mr. J. H. ...		10	.
S. N.	1	.	.

Ladies' Zenana Auxiliary.

Receipts from September, 1906, to September, 1907.

	£	s.	d.
Acton, *Tabernacle* Per Miss Elliott:—			
Archer, Miss		10	6
Arnold, Miss		5	.
Coward, Mrs.		2	7
Dennis, Miss		16	.
Elliott, Miss E.		8	6
Fisher, Mrs.		4	6
Graves, Mrs.		4	4
Holland, Mrs.		1	6
Riches, Mrs.		3	6
Bassett Street, *Martyrs' Memorial* — Per Miss Fielder:—			
Cooper, Miss		6	6
Day, Miss ...		17	.
Evans, Miss		3	.
Feilder, Miss		7	.
Field, Miss		9	.
Ireson, Mrs.		6	6
Philips, Miss		4	6
Pickering, Mrs. ...		5	.
Bermondsey, *Lynton-road*— Per Mrs. A. E. Crisp:—			
Bennett, Miss ...		5	.
Blackman, Mrs. H.		5	4½
,, Miss E.		4	1
Cattermole, Miss		2	.
Collin, Mrs. J. B.	2	4	9
Crisp, Mrs. E. ...		8	2
Jackson, Miss ...		4	4
Knott, Mrs. ...		4	4

	£	s.	d.
Knott, Mrs. A. D.		4	5
Sparks, Miss ...		5	.
„ Miss E. ...		4	6½
Brentford,			
North-road—			
Per Miss M. Fromow :—			
Arlidge, Miss B....		4	7
Aubrey, Miss R....		5	4
Bathurst, Miss H.		4	6
Barrett, Miss M. A.		6	9
Bell, Miss L. ...		3	9½
Burrows, Miss F.		4	1½
Carr, Mrs.... ...		3	4
Chambers, Miss ...		4	2
Coles, Mrs. ...		2	6
Craddock, Mrs. ...		4	.
„ Miss ...		6	3
Dann, Mrs. ...		4	10
Dean, Miss ...		7	2½
„ Mrs., Senr....		2	6
„ Mrs., Junr.		3	10
Dykes, Miss ...		14	.
Fowler, Miss G. ...		3	11
Fromow, Mrs. W.		6	2½
„ Mrs. E. .		4	.
„ Mrs. J.		4	7
„ Miss G. E.		3	8
„ Miss L.		7	4½
„ Miss M.		4	6½
Hicknore, Mrs. ...		2	5
Jeffs, Miss A. ...		3	.
Kempton, Mrs. ...		5	2
Leake, Mrs. ...		5	6
Lithgow, Miss ...		4	.
Martindale, Mrs....		4	1½
Morley, Miss ...		4	6
Mutimer, Mrs. ...		2	4
„ Miss E.		1	7½
„ Miss M.		3	6
„ Nurse ...		2	6
Newman, Miss ...		7	5
Parker, Miss G. ...		4	10
„ Miss H. ...		4	2½
Potter, Miss D. ...		5	6
Purkis, Miss G. B.		2	3
Riches, Miss A. ...		.	3
Secret, Mrs. J. ...		2	1½
„ Miss R. ...		3	10½
Saxby, Miss D. ...		6	11½
Shapley, Mrs. ...		6	.
Skinner, Mrs. ...		4	11
Smoker, Miss ...		4	8
„ Miss A....		5	5½
„ Miss F....		4	6
Stokes, Mrs. ...			11
Tredwell, Miss ...		2	.
Watts, Miss. A. ...		1	.
Wheeler, Miss ...		4	11
Brighton,			
Prarthana Sabha—			
Per Mrs. Cozens :—			
Billington, Miss...		9	.
Bletsoe, Mrs. ...		5	6½
Broadbridge, Mrs.		6	9
Cozens, Miss ...		14	4
„ Mrs. ...		5	4½
Fisher, Mrs. ...		6	9½
Goldsmith, Miss...		2	4½
Gumbrell, Mrs. ...		2	1
Haynes, Miss ...		3	7½
Lucas, Mrs. ...		7	7½
Martin, Miss ...		4	6
Miller, Miss ...		5	3½
Parkhurst, Mrs. ...		3	2½
Piper, Miss ...		4	6
Sears, Mrs.		2	6
Smith, Mrs. ...		4	.½
Waldor, Miss ...		5	.
Cambridge, *Eden*—			
Per Miss Eldred :—			
Blott, Mrs.		5	4
Bigg, Mrs.		1	.

	£	s.	d.
Careless, Mrs.		4	.
Dent, Miss		2	7
Darnell, Mrs.		2	2
Day's, Miss, Bible-class		5	3
Derby, Mrs.		1	7
Eldred, Miss ...		4	.
Harding, Miss ...		3	.
Haynes, Mrs. W. H.		2	6
„ Miss A. ...		3	3
Hudson, Miss ...		2	1
Martyn, Miss ...		3	2
Newman, Mrs. ...		2	2
Songer, Mrs. ...			10
Sturton, Mrs. ...		4	4
Waddelow, Mrs....		2	8
Wadsworth, Mrs.		3	2
Whyatt, Mrs. ...		3	9
Chadwell Street,			
Mount Zion—			
Per Mrs. Silvester :—			
Applegate, Mrs. ...		8	4
Banks, Mrs. ...		5	6
Briscoe, Miss ...		3	6
Butcher, Mrs. ...		2	10½
C. A. R.		5	.
Eyre, Mrs. ...		4	2½
„ „ Thank-offering ...	1	.	.
Hales, Mrs.		5	6
Haslop, Mrs. ...		10	6
Hill, Miss		2	.
Hoddy, Miss ...		3	.
Ibbet, Miss ...		4	6
Jones, Mrs. ...		9	2
Keeble, Mrs. ...		5	.
Licence, Mrs. ...		3	7
Logsden, Mrs. ...		6	11
L. M.		2	6
Mannering, Miss		2	6
Marshall, Mrs. ...		1	9½
Miller, Mrs. ...		5	.
„ Mrs. A. ...		5	.
Mills, Miss ...		10	1½
Mitchell, Mrs. ...		14	.
North, Miss ...		2	6
Nunn, Mrs. ...		12	.½
Ridley, Mrs. ...		11	9½
Smith, Mrs. D. ...		4	11½
Silvester, Mrs. ...		12	6½
„ Misses...		13	.
Simmonds, Mrs....	1	6	4½
Tasker, Miss ...		6	4
Trustcott, and Jones, Misses ...		2	11½
Wallis, Mrs. ...		6	.½
Webb, Mrs. H. ...		5	.
Webb, Miss Per Bible-class at Knowlman Bros.		8	2½
Western, Mrs. ...		4	9
Woodward, Misses M. and E. ...		8	9
SUNDAY SCHOOL.			
Per Miss Pardoe :—			
Bounsell, Miss ...		1	10½
Goodhew, Miss A.		3	.
Horn, Miss ...		2	11½
Horn, Miss A. ...		5	.½
Hughes, Miss B....		3	6
Jenkins, Miss G.		1	6½
Jones, Miss V. ...		2	3½
Linney, Mr. W. ...		3	6½
McKenzie, Mrs. ...		7	.½
Pardoe, Miss ...		6	.½
Russell, Miss M....		1	10½
Webb, Mrs. ...		10	11½
Small sums ...		10	6
Clapham Junction,			
Providence			
Y.W.B.C. ...		5	3

	£	s.	d.
Guildford,			
Old Baptist Chapel—			
Per Miss Pickett :—			
Attfield, Miss ...		3	9
„ Miss B....		2	6
„ Miss G....		1	6½
„ Miss K....		3	3
Baker, Misses G. and L. ...		13	1
Battersby, Mrs. ...		2	9
Brand, Miss		2	6
„ Miss D.		2	10½
„ Miss G. ...		4	3
Cam, Miss... ...		6	.
Catchpole, Miss ...		3	2
Chaplin, Miss		3	10½
Chisnall, Mrs.		14	8½
„ Miss ...		8	6
Cordwell, Mrs. ...		3	3
Dowlen, Miss		1	10½
Dry, Mrs. ...		2	11½
Foster, Mrs.		5	11
Garton, Mrs.		2	4
Gravitt, Mrs. ...		2	5½
Hearsuy, Mrs. ...		2	1
Lee, Miss		2	6½
Newell, Miss ...		1	8½
Pickett, Miss ...		7	10
„ Miss B. ...		2	.
Pither, Mrs. ...		4	5
Shellard, Miss ...		3	9
„ Miss R.		3	2½
Snell, Mrs. ...		1	1
Walker, Miss ...		5	9
White, Mrs. ...		7	4
Wilson, Miss ...		3	2
Total receipts from Prayer Circle and Working Meeting	1	17	8
High Wycombe,			
Zion—			
Per Miss Rogers :—			
Abrams, Miss D....		1	.
Broughton, Miss...		2	6
Chown, Mrs. ...		4	.
Crook, Mrs. ...		3	6
Heather, Mrs. ...		1	8
Leach, Miss ...		3	6
Morling, Mrs. D....		10	.
„ Miss ...		5	.
Oxlade, Mrs. J. ...		7	6
Payne, Mrs. ...		2	6
Pusey, Mrs. ...		4	2
„ Miss ...		2	1
Roberts, Miss ...		2	.
Rogers, Miss ...		4	6
„ Miss M. ...		4	6
„ Miss R. ...		4	7
„ Miss A. ...		4	6
Royffe, Miss ...		4	6
Scott, Mrs.... ...		4	6
Stratford, Miss ...		3	.
Homerton,			
Homerton Row—			
Per Mrs. Brett :—			
Baker, Mrs.		4	.
„ Miss E.		2	6
Bastoble, Miss ...		2	2½
Booth, Mrs. J. C....		4	6
Brett, Mrs. B. R....		3	3½
„ Miss		3	10
„ Miss I. ...		4	.
„ Miss M. J....		3	3
Caplin, Mrs. S. B.		4	6
Cleverly, Miss		1	.
Colman, Mrs.		4	5½
Culmer, Mrs.		3	.½
Dearsley, Miss		3	1
Eyres, Miss E.		6	.
Gresham, Miss		6	.
Hobbs, Miss		3	6
Mirfield, Mrs.		2	2

	£	s.	d.
Morgan, Mrs. ...		3	2
Packer, Miss ...		1	6
Pardoe, Mrs. ...		4	8
„ Miss A. E.		3	4
Smith, Mrs. ...		2	6
Spratt, Mrs. ...		4	6
„ Miss ...		3	2
„ Miss A. ...		3	6
„ Miss E. M.		3	6
Steff, Mrs.... ...		2	6
Turnpenny, Mrs.		8	.
„ Miss		5	2½
„ Miss L.		4	.
White, Mrs. T. ...		5	4
Willmoth, Mrs. ...		2	6
Homerton Row Sewing Class, per Miss Cottrell		10	.
Hounslow, *Zoar*—			
Per Miss Ebbs :—			
Aldridge, Miss ...		5	.
Chesterfield, Miss		3	5
Dickenson, Miss...		3	.
Ebbs, Miss ...		11	.½
Fisher, Miss ...		8	.
Frances, Miss ...		6	6
Godfrey, Mrs. ...		7	1½
Gray, Misses ...		7	3
Haddingham, Miss		8	11½
Hastie, Miss ...		5	9
Jeffs, Mrs. ...		8	1½
King, Mrs. ...		5	.
„ Miss ...		5	6
Mole, Mrs. ...		4	6½
Philp, Miss ...		8	.
Pyne, Miss ...		8	9
Rose, Mrs.... ...		4	6
Underwood, Miss		5	1½
„ Miss A.		8	1
Westbrook, Miss		4	5
Kingston - on - Thames, *Providence*—			
Per Mrs. Lambourn :—			
Best, Miss... ...		5	.
Brime, Miss D. ...			6
Bristow, Mrs. ...		2	1½
Cox, Miss		4	6
Dean, Miss ...		4	6
Dorban, Miss ...		1	3½
Edenborough, Mrs.		4	6
Francom, Mrs. ...		2	11
Groves, Miss ...		3	10½
Hinsby, Miss L. ...		1	3½
Hobbs, Miss ...		4	.
Lambourn, Mrs. J.		5	.
Nottridge, Mr. ...		2	4
Pilborough, Mrs.		6	9
Pope, Mrs. ...		5	.
Pratt, Mrs. ...		3	1½
Searle, Mrs. ...		4	2
Sercombe, Mrs. ...		1	3
Shepherd, Mr. ...		1	2
Standbrook, Mrs.		2	10
Stokes, Mrs. ...		3	3
Summers, Mrs. H.		8	3½
„ Mrs. E.		2	10
Lowestoft, *Tonning-street*—			
Per Miss W. Large :—			
Large, Miss M. ...		3	6
„ Miss W. ...		9	.
Marylebone, *Hill-street*—			
Per Miss S. Harris :—			
Barradell, Misses K. and D. ...		3	6½
Bonfield, Miss ...		5	.
Chilvers, Miss ...		5	5
Donaldson, Mrs....		4	4
Foord, Miss ...			7½
Harris, Mrs. C. C.		5	.½
Harris, Mrs. C. W.		3	.½
„ Mrs. H. C.		3	6
„ Miss S. ...		5	.
Lawson, Mrs. ...		10	.
Little, Miss ...		2	.
Thompson, Miss...		4	4
Wakelin, Miss ...		9	2½
Prittlewell, *Providence*—			
Per Mrs. J. Fromow :—			
Bale, Mrs.... ...		2	1
Burgess, Mrs. ...		4	6
Chandler, Mrs. ...		2	7
Cripps, Mrs. ...		6	.
Fisher, Mrs. ...		8	.½
„ Miss ...		3	9
Fromow, Mrs. ...		4	2
Harmer, Miss ...		4	6½
Hicks, Mrs. S. ...		3	11½
King, Mrs. ...		3	11
Knight, Miss ...		5	.
Mobbs, Mrs. ...		2	.
Turner, Mrs. ...		3	2
Richmond, *Salem*—			
Per Mrs. Robinson :—			
Box No. 1		3	10½
Buttrum, Miss ...		5	6
Clinch, Miss ...		4	.
Franklin, Miss ...		4	.
Goodwin, Miss ...		3	3½
Gower, Miss ...		3	3
Makey, Miss ...		3	3
Mills, Miss ...		3	1
Molden, Mrs. ...		5	2
Mumford, Miss ...		1	6
Satchell, Mrs. ...		11	2
„ Miss E.		1	8
Shipton, Mrs. ...		7	3
St. Albans, *Bethel*—			
Per Miss Gregory :—			
Blindell, Miss ...		2	6½
Burgess, Miss ...			11½
Disher, Miss ...		6	3½
Eldred, Mrs. ...		2	.
Gregory, Miss ...		13	.
Groom, Miss ...		2	8½
Hawkins, Miss ...		1	8
Hull, Mrs.		1	.
Mitchell, Miss ...		3	8
Skilton, Miss ...		1	1
Tapping, Miss ...		4	.½
Whitbread, Miss H.		4	.
White, Miss M. ...			8½
Stratford, *Gurney-road*—			
Per Miss Ince :—			
Appleby, Miss E.		2	5
Bailey, Miss ...		6	.
Bucknell, Miss ...		3	.½
Caten, Mrs. ...		3	.
Caten, Miss E. ...		7	6
Cook, Miss E. ...		1	4½
Cooper, Mrs. ...		1	1½
Curtis, Miss E. ...		1	11
Cutmore, Mrs. ...		5	3
Davis, Mrs. ...		3	3
Faunch, Miss E....		1	10½
Goodbody, Miss J.		4	6
Ince, Mrs.... ...		6	7½
„ Miss ...		4	.
„ Miss F. ...		4	2½
Isbester, Miss ...		3	10
Lant, Mrs. ...		2	.
Leech, Miss G. ...		2	6
Lucking, Miss ...		1	.
Mendham, Miss F.		9	.
Othen, Miss G. ...		2	1
Reader, Mrs. ...		3	.½
Rider, Mrs. A. H.		4	3½
Simpson, Miss E.		2	9
Tooke, Mrs. ...		4	6
Wade, Miss M. ...		1	11
Waite, Miss M. ...		1	6½
Webb, Mrs. ...		3	11½
Weston, Miss E....		1	4
Winter, Mrs. ...		2	1
Collection at Young People's Meeting		4	6½
Tring, *Akeman-street*—			
Per Miss E. M. Maull :—			
A. E. B.		6	2½
Butcher, Miss ...		3	6
„ Miss E....	2	8	1
„ Miss G.	1	2	2½
Burke, Miss ...		3	.
Colls, Miss ...		5	.
Foskett, Mrs. H....		1	.½
Glover, Mrs. ...		9	6½
Gower, Miss L. ...		3	5
Hedges, Mrs. R. ...		7	.
„ Miss L. ...		4	6
Howlett, Miss M....		3	7½
Johnson, Miss ...		2	2½
Marchant, Miss A.		5	.
„ Miss H.		5	.
Maull, Miss ...		6	.
„ Miss E. M.		10	3½
M.	1	9	10½
Parker, Mrs. ...		4	3
Rodwell, Mrs. ...		2	6
Sharman, Miss A.		2	11½
Smith, Mrs. G. ...		4	.
Thompson, Mrs....		4	7½
Tomlin, Mrs. ...		3	3
Wright, Mrs. A. ...		3	11
„ Mrs. J. ...		4	6
Young, Mrs. ...		2	9½
Walthamstow, *Zion*—			
Per Mrs Booth :—			
Booth, Mrs. A. ...		4	9½
Dawson, Mrs. ...		2	8
Farrow, Mrs. ...		2	.
Goodman, Mrs. ...		3	3
James, Mrs. ...		4	11½
Mason, Mrs. ...		2	8
Nash, Mrs. ...		4	3
Rapley, Mrs. ...		6	6
Rose, Mrs.... ...		4	4
Sayer, Mrs. ...		3	2½
Stone, Mrs. ...		1	10½
Walworth, *Penrose-street Sunday School*—			
Per Miss R. Staines :—			
Austin, Miss ...		2	.
Eade, Mrs. ...		5	.
Eden, Mrs. ...		3	.
Falkner, Miss ...		4	6
Green, Mrs. A. J.		7	2
„ Miss ...		2	.
Grover, Mrs. ...		6	.
Harris, Miss E. ...		3	3½
Howard, Mrs. ...		6	6
Outram, Mrs. ...		5	6
„ Miss ...		4	3
Staines, Miss ...		4	4
„ Miss K....		4	6
„ Miss R....		4	5½
Stockwell, Miss M.		4	.
Walworth, *Surrey Tabernacle*—			
Per Mrs. A. Boulden :—			
Boulden, Mr. A. ...		11	8
Dalbey, Mr. J. ...		3	4
Falkner, Mrs. A. B.		4	4
„ Mrs. W.		10	.
Harris, Mrs. ...		1	8
King, Mrs. ...		11	.
Markham, Mrs. ...		2	8
Pittman, Miss E...		1	11½
Price, Mrs. ...		4	8½
Stringer, Miss ...		7	6
Sykes, Miss ...		18	2

	£	s.	d.
Symonds, Mrs.		4	6
Walter, Mr. H. ...		4	6
Watson, Mrs. H. ...		4	3
Williams, Miss ...		2	6
Wandsworth Common,			
Chatham-road—			
Per Mrs. Baxter:—			
Baxter, Mrs. ...		1	6
„ Miss ...		1	6
Gingell, Mrs. ...		1	5
Licence, Miss H. ...		2	3½
„ Miss M. ...		2	1½
Mountford, Mrs. ...		1	.
Ridenton, Mrs. W.		2	4
West Ham,			
Tabernacle—			
Per Mrs. C. H. Stockdale:—			
Applegate, Miss ...		5	5
„ Miss E.		8	.
Baker, Mrs. ...		1	6
Bartow, Miss E. ...		2	.
Bentley, Mrs. ...		3	5
Godart, Miss ...		3	4½
Lowe, Miss ...		5	6
Palmer, Miss ...		3	11
Phillips, Miss ...		8	3
Stockdale, Mrs. C. H.		5	2½
Stockdale, Miss ...		3	1
West, Miss M. ...		4	8
Young Women's Bible-class ...		1	.
Personal—			
Per Miss Fowler:—			
A Friend		5	.
Knight, Miss ...		4	.
Waters, Mrs. ...		2	6
Per Miss A. E. Sears:—			
Acworth, Mrs. ...		4	2
„ Miss Ella		4	.
Outen, Mrs. F. ...		1	6
Sears, Mrs. R. E. ...	1	1	.
„ Mrs. J. W. ...		4	6
„ Miss A. E. ...		11	10
„ Miss E. M. ...		5	.
„ Miss F. C. ...		5	.
„ Misses E. G. and I. E. ...		7	6
Per Mrs. Silvester:—			
A. J. K.		2	.
Ash, Miss		16	.
Blythe, Mrs. ...		5	.
Booth, Mrs.		5	.
Button, Miss		6	.
Carr, Mrs. T.		4	6
Cottes, Miss ...		5	6
Donation for Postages	1	2	.
Field, Mrs. ...		8	6
Forester, Mrs. ...		6	6
Friend, A (Brixton)		5	.
Hutchinson, Mrs.		12	7
„ Miss		4	8
Light, Miss E. ...		10	.
Misten, Miss ...		5	.
Mortlock, Mrs. H.		5	.
Oliver, Mrs. ...		9	.
Othen, Mrs. J. A.		5	5¾
„ Mrs. D. ...		1	6
Pond and Hurren, Misses		8	9
Pursey, Miss ...		5	.
Simpson, Mrs. ...		10	4
Walker, Miss ...		3	6½
Per Mrs. Withers:—			
Steel, Mrs. A.		3	6
Smith, Mrs. G.		3	.
Withers, Mrs.		6	6

Herald Account.

	£	s.	d.
Acton, *Tabernacle* ...		12	.
Aylesbury, *Walton-st.*		12	1
Bassett-street, *Martyrs' Memorial*	1	.	6
Bath, *Bethel*	2	.	.
Beccles, *Martyrs' Memorial*	1	6	.
Berkhampstead ...		11	3
Bermondsey, Lynton-road	1	3	.
Blackman, Mr. ...		6	.
Collin, Mr. J. B. ...		2	.
Gosling, Mr. ...		1	.
Brentford, *North-road*	3	9	.
Brighton, *Prarthana Sabha*	1	2	.
Brixton, *Tabernacle* ...		11	0
Bromley, *College Slip*		6	.
Cambridge, *Eden* ...	1	17	6
Chadwell-street, *Mount Zion*	6	15	.
Chatham, *Enon* ...		10	6
Chelmsford		11	3
Beach, Mrs.		1	.
Chesham, *Townfield* ...		9	.
Clapham Junction, *Providence*—			
Keeble, Mr. S. J. ...		1	6
Claxton		3	.
Clifton (Beds)—			
Burgess, Mr. F. G. ...		1	.
Colchester, *St. John's Green*		7	6
Colnbrook		6	6
Croydon, *Derby-road*—			
Thomas, Miss M. ...		19	6
Downham Market—			
Eastoe, Mr. A. ...		1	.
Dunmow, *The Ark* ...		10	3
Egham, *Ebenezer* ...		12	.
Farnham, *Park-lane* ...		4	.
Glemsford		15	.
Gravesend, *Zoar*—			
Osmotherly, Miss G. A.		1	6
Grays, *Ebenezer* ...		6	2
Guildford, *Old Baptist Chapel*	1	19	9
Haworth, *Hall Green*—			
Sunday-shool ...		1	.
Friend			3
„			4
Merrett, Miss J. ...		1	.
High Wycombe, *Zion*	1	18	.
Homerton, *Homerton Row*	1	9	2
Horham		5	.
Hounslow, *Zoar* ...	2	3	2
Hoxne		3	.
Ipswich, *Bethesda* ...	2	11	6
Ipswich, *Zoar*		14	4
Kings Langley, *Zion*		12	6
Kingston-on-Thames, *Providence*		18	.
Laxfield—			
Wilson, Mrs. C. ...		5	.
Lee, *Dacre Park* ...		13	.
Brown, Miss R. ...		4	6
Lewisham, *College Park*		6	8
Leyton, *Goldsmith-road*		4	.
Limehouse, *Elim*—			
Sunday-school ...		6	½
Adams, Miss ...		1	1
Lowestoft, *Tonning-street*		17	.
Maidstone, *Providence*		9	.
Manchester	1	7	11½
Shipway, Mrs. ...		1	.
March, *Providence* ...		12	3
Marylebone, *Mount Zion*	5	5	8
C.C.A.I.L.H.	1	1	.
Cobb, Mr. and Mrs.		2	.
Smith, Mr. D. F. ...		5	.
Mendlesham Green ...		5	6
Middlesboro', *Providence*		1	4
Allick, Miss		2	4
Newcastle-on-Tyne, *Gallowgate* ...		3	.
Northampton		5	.
Norwich, *Orford Hill* ...	2	2	.
Notting Hill Gate, *Bethesda*	1	5	6
Prittlewell, *Providence*		7	.
Ramsey—			
Norman, Miss M. E. (per)		9	.
Reading, *Providence*—			
Martin, Mr.		7	6½
Reigate		3	.
Richmond, *Salem* ...		9	11
Royton, *Bethesda* ...		9	6
Rushden, *Succoth* ...		6	.
Ryde (N.S.W.)		3	.
St. Albans, *Bethel*		14	.
St. Neots ...		13	10½
Salhouse ...		10	6
Soho		11	8
Stevenage ...	1	12	6
Stoke Ash ...	1	2	6
Stowmarket—			
Haddock, Miss S. H. (per)		3	6
Stratford, *Gurney-road*		15	9½
Swindon, *Providence*		5	.
Thame		18	10
Tonbridge		14	6
Tring, *Akeman-street*	1	14	1
Aston Clinton (Friends)		11	3
Chesham „		13	6
Friend, per Miss Colls	1	.	.
Howlett, Mr. A. J. (per)		6	4
Tring Friends ...		2	1	6
Tunstall		2	6	.
Waltham Abbey, *Ebenezer*			12	.
Walthamstow, *Zion* ...		1	6	.
Walworth, *Penrose-street*—				
Sunday-school ...	1	11	3	
Wandsworth, *West Hill*		15	3	
Watford, *Tabernacle* ...		2	5	
Wattisham		15	.	

	£	s.	d.
Wellingborough, *Tabernacle*—			
Howes, Mrs.		9	.
Willingham	1	.	11
West Ham, *Tabernacle*	1	5	6
Whittlesea		16	.
Wooburn Green, *Ebenezer*		12	.
Wood Green, *Park Ridings*		7	6
Chambers, Mr. P. J.		1	4
Evans, Miss		1	2
Hill, Mr. G.		1	.
Mister, Miss		1	2
Smith, Miss		2	6
Turner, Mr. C. S. ...		7	6
Yarmouth, *York-road*—			
Pain, Miss M. A. ...		12	.
PERSONAL—			
Abbott, Mr. ...		5	.
Allick, Miss A. P. ...		2	2
Ash, Miss		2	4
„ Mr. R.		1	.
Banks & Son (Sale of)	1	5	.
Beall, Miss		1	2
Begbie, Mr. W. H. ...		1	6
Bourne, Mr. E. C. ...		1	6
Brain, Miss R. M. ...		1	.
Brown, Mr. F. A. ...		1	.
Button, Miss ...		1	.
Chilvers, Miss ...		1	.
Cracknell, Mrs. ...		5	.
Deaves, Mr. and Mrs.		5	.
Driver, Mr. J. ...		1	6
Elliott, Miss		2	.
Fearnley, Mr. T. ...		1	.
Freeman, Miss L. ...		6	.
Friends, per Miss Ash		1	6
Goodman, Mr. R. Z.		1	.
Goodrum, Mr. R. ...		2	6
Gosling, Miss E. R. (per)		7	.
Hawkins, Miss P. ...		7	6
„ Miss ...		8	.
Horwood, Mr. E. ...		5	6
House, Mr. J. ...			6
Howes, Mrs.		10	.
James, Mr. J. ...		1	.
Keeble, Mr. S. J. ...		5	.
Lievesley, Mr. S. ...		10	.
Light, Miss E. ...		1	6
Lochead, Mr. T. J. ...		4	6
Lucas, Mr. E. ...		2	6
Moore, Mr. J. T. ...		3	.
Peay, Miss E. ...		1	.
Sears, Mr. R. E. ...		10	.
Thrower, Mr. A. W.	1	.	.
Tyler, Mr. G. ...		3	.

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	£	s.	d.
Aylesbury, *Walton-street*		1	.
Bassett-street, *Martyrs' Memorial*		5	.
Bath, *Bethel*		2	4
Beccles, *Martyrs' Memorial*		1	10
Bermondsey, *Lynton-road*		1	2
Bolton		2	7
Brentford, *North-road*		1	4
Brighton, *Prarthana Sabha*		7	3
Brixton, *Tabernacle*— Sapey, Mr.		2	.
Cambridge, *Eden* ...		2	6
Friend		1	.
Chatham, *Enon* ...		3	.
Chelmsford		2	.
Colnbrook		1	2
Dunmow, *The Ark* ...		1	9
Glemsford		1	4
Grays, *Ebenezer* ...			10
Guildford, *Old Baptist Chapel*	2	6	3
Haworth, *Hall Green*		1	.
High Wycombe, *Zion*		6	.
Hollinwood		1	11½
Horham		2	.
Hounslow, *Zoar* ...		4	2
Ipswich, *Bethesda* ...		7	6
Ipswich, *Zoar*		2	8
Kenninghall		2	.
Kings Langley, *Zion*			10
Kingston-on-Thames, *Providence* ...		1	.
Leyton, *Goldsmith-road*		1	.
Manchester		10	3
March, *Providence* ...		2	8
Norwich, *Orford Hill*		4	2
Peckham, *Zion* ...		1	.
St. Albans, *Bethel* ...			6
St. Neots— Cook, Mr. J. (per) ...		2	.
Salhouse		1	2
Soho		2	.
Stoke Ash		5	2½
Stratford, *Gurney-road*		1	4
Swindon, *Providence*		1	.
Thame		1	6
Tring, *Akeman-street*— Colls, Miss (per) ...		7	.
Tunstall		2	10
Walsall—Peace, Mrs. S.		1	8
Waltham Abbey, *Ebenezer*		2	.
Walworth, *Penrose-street*			2
Walworth, *Surrey Tabernacle*— Green, Mr. T. ...		2	.
Wandsworth, *West Hill*			8
Watford, *Tabernacle*		5	.
Wellingborough, *Tabernacle*— Howes, Mrs.		1	.
Willingham		1	2
Whittlesea		1	6
Wooburn Green, *Ebenezer*		1	.
Yarmouth, *York-road*		1	.
PERSONAL— Allick, Miss A. ...		2	.
Bourne, Mr. E. C. ...			3
Burfoot, Mr. S. ...			6
Cummins, Miss B. ...		2	2
House, Mr. J. ...		1	.
Hutchinson, Mr. S. ...		1	6
James, Mr. Jno. ...		1	.
Kitchener, Mrs. ...		3	6
Lochead, Mr. ...		1	.
Waller, Miss E. ...		2	.
„ „ L. ...		2	.
„ „ W. ...		2	.

Mr. Brand's Medical Outfit, &c.

	£	s.	d.
Chadwell-street, *Mount Zion*—Friend, per Mr. Mitchell ...	25	.	.
Marylebone, *Mount Zion*—C.C.A.L.H.	5	.	.

HYMNS.

Tune : *Winchester* (L.M.).

JESUS shall reign where'er the sun
Doth his successive journeys run ;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

For Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head ;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on His love with sweetest song ;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on His name.

Blessings abound where'er He reigns ;
The prisoner leaps to lose his chains ;
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honours to our King ;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

Tune : *Ernan* (L.M.).

ARM of the Lord, awake, awake,
Put on Thy strength, the nations shake ;
And let the world adoring see
Triumphs of mercy wrought by Thee.

Say to the heathen from Thy throne,
I am Jehovah, God alone ;
Thy voice their idols shall confound,
And cast their altars to the ground.

Let Zion's time of favour come ;
Oh, bring the tribes of Israel home ;
And let our wondering eyes behold
Gentiles and Jews in Jesus' fold.

Almighty God, Thy grace proclaim
In every clime, of every name ;
Let adverse powers before Thee fall
And crown the Saviour Lord of all.

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