

Foreign Mission Board

W. B. M. U.

"We are laborers together with God."

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PRAYER TOPIC FOR MARCH.

For Tekkili that a manifestation of the Spirit's power may come in great measure upon its missionaries and helpers that they may be used in the conversion of souls. For the officers of the Woman's Missionary Societies.

Notice

The following ladies were appointed by the Executive of W. B. M. U. as County Secretaries:—Mrs. McLean, Gush-boro, for Guysboro Co.; Mrs. Pearson, Paradise, for Annapolis Co.; Miss Addie Cogswell, Port William, for Kings Co.

At the recent Conference held in India, an urgent request was made for the young lady missionaries to be sent to India as soon as possible. The necessities of the work demand that we have two young ladies at once. Shall this call go unheeded? It comes from the Master clear and unmistakable through the missionaries. Where are our girls who have graduated from Acadia Seminary and College during the past few years that not one has offered for mission service? Is there any other way they can better honor their Lord or make more of their lives than in this service? It may be interesting to know what one has written who has not been long in a foreign land, but has been closely observing the work done by lady missionaries.

I have thought many times since coming to India, if some of our devoted Christian girls at home could see the opportunity for making their lives count for God as I see it here they would hasten to make application to the Mission Board. Miss Blackadar with her Bible women at work in street and in school and in town, Miss Archibald with hundreds of children under her influence is doing a work that cannot be estimated. The others, each in their own special way are exerting a mighty influence for good and should inspire others to engage in this same blessed service.

Will not some who read these lines ask themselves, "Does the Lord wait here in India?" and on benighted knee yield themselves to the guidance and direction of his spirit. We not only want the missionaries, but we also want the money to send them, so here will be work for all to go or help go.

The bringing of two families home this spring will tax the foreign mission resources to their utmost, so that there must be extra offerings to send out these new missionaries. The Lord is hearing and answering prayer by moving upon the hearts of some in India, as the Chicacole letter will tell, and we must fill up the ranks so there will be no loss for commanders. Miss Flora Clark has been appointed by the Conference to Banipatan to be associated with Miss Newcombe, and hold this fort while Mr. and Mrs. Gullison are at home.

Miss Martha Clarke has gone to Tekkili with Mr. and Mrs. Higgins. As we pray for this field during March let us seek a special blessing upon Miss Clarke that she may have many souls as her reward during the coming year. Mrs. Church's heart is overflowing with gratitude to God that the decision has been reached at Conference to occupy the Bagagadda field where such a promising work has been begun. Miss Clarke writes "ever since this subject has been under discussion, I have firmly believed that the Lord, having led us there, we should occupy that valley. Now I feel we must work most earnestly and pray with faith to bring to Christ a great number at that place."

Surely there will be some hearts touched to support a missionary there and others led to build a house for the Lord. The last time I was out there and stood beside that river where fifty persons have been baptized, I felt that we should never cease our labors there until the Lord had given us 1000 souls. Will not all the sisters especially remember this part of our work in their prayers?

Chicacole, India.

DEAR FRIENDS:—It may not be known to you all, that our present lady Apothecary's name is Miss Constance Dee. She came to us as a sort of Christmas present, and we feel that she is a real gift from God.

Miss Game was suddenly called away by the dangerous illness of her mother, but she was only here temporarily, till Miss Dee was at liberty to come. This young lady is a really converted girl, and has long wanted work in and for a Mission, and so is interested in all the departments. She is pleasant with the people, and the word has gone out among them, that she is a loving lady. We make a small charge for medicines toll, who can afford to pay, so the attendance will have to grow steadily, if not rapidly, but we believe that in time this will prove to be the best system. But you must not think that the tugs of war are all over, with the force that is ever opposed to that which is good.

and that you may relax your prayers, as we need them more than ever, only now direct them to God, for the salvation of those who are hearing His word there.

This quarter, the S. S. lessons are on the Life of Christ, and will not some of the Schools, that have the picture rolls send us some for the walls of the dispensary, and for the lessons, that we want to teach there. Some one thought it would be nice for us to have a beautiful new roll, that had not a tear in it, and ordered one sent to us direct, it would be a lovely gift, such as the hospital has never had.

During the last two months, we have had some of the most wonderful meetings in this place, that I ever went through in any country. We began with the Church, had two services daily, of about two hours each, and the other twenty hours were divided between us all, and for ten days many were humble, contrite, confessing, and later were rejoicing in pardon and in the Word of God as never before. Many of them did not know, that they could have such joy in their Lord. One high caste man came to these meetings, which were held in the study, and publicly professed faith in Christ, but has not come out. Three have been baptized, one is to come soon and others say they are making their plans to come out. Will you not all pray that God will get a great victory for Himself here in this heathen town, where the power of Satan is so strong? We never needed your prayers more. After the ten days, we began meetings in the chapel, and they are not yet discontinued.

G. H. ARCHIBALD.

Some time ago the members of our Missionary Aid Society desiring to awaken a deeper interest in Missionary work and also to raise \$25.00 for the purpose of making our president a life member, resolved to hold a public meeting on Sunday, Jan. 31st, and have a bean supper the following Wednesday. Rev. B. H. Thomas, of Rochester and Mrs. D. H. Johnson of Moncton were asked to "come over and help us." We were fortunate in having a fine evening and the service was well attended. Mrs. Hutchinson's paper was listened to, by all with close attention, this was a fitting opening for Bro. Thomas' sermon which followed, and a deep impression was made on the people. A collection of \$5.50 was taken and, at the Bean Supper on Wednesday evening \$12.50 was added to that amount but best of all we feel that a deeper need of Missions has been created and that the people are more in sympathy with our work. Mrs. H. V. DAVIES, Sec'y.

Salt-bury, N. B., Feb. 20th, 1904.

October 20th a Mission Band was organized at Chester Basin with President, Mrs. M. B. Whitman; Vice-President, Emma Oxner; Secretary, Glennis Webber; Treasurer, Nettie Courtenay. We began with 25 members and have now 52. The children seem much interested and we hope for such an increase of interest in missions as may lead to grand results. Mrs. M. B. WHITMAN.

Amounts Rec'd by W. B. M. U. Treasurer.

FROM FEB. 1ST TO FEB. 20TH.

Little Bras' Dor, F. M. \$1.50, H. M. 50c, G. L. 25c; Sunday School children, Lloyd, Eleanor and Earl Johnson, G. L. 50c; North Syd-ey, F. M. \$27.50, H. M. 15; Hebron, leaflets, 30c; Tyron, F. M. \$25, H. M. \$18.50; Harvey, F. M. \$10; Amherst, Mrs. J. I. Bates, Chicacole Hospital, 10; North Temple, F. M. \$5.30, H. M. 1.08; Ohio, F. M. \$2.50, H. M. \$1.08; Halifax, North ch. F. M. \$18, H. M. \$9; St. Stephen, F. M. \$11.75, Reports, 60c, Tidings 25c; St. Stephen to constitute Mrs. L. Frost a Life Member, F. M. \$15, H. M. \$10; Lind-ri, F. M. \$7.15; Auburn, Reports 20c; Amherst, F. M. \$19, H. M. \$22.20; Charlottetown, F. M. \$11.65, H. M. \$14.50; Clementsvalle, leaflets 30c; Amherst, Sheriff Logan, N. W. M. \$1; Homeville, F. M. \$7.3, Reports, 30c; Liverpool, F. M. \$4.75; Tiding, 25c; Homeville, leaflets, 18c; Tuoro, leaflets and Report, 28c; Newcastle Creek, support of pupil in Bobboli School, \$4; Sydney, Pitt St. H. M. \$7; Springfield, Mrs. Israel Nobles, Miss Augusta Nobles, Mrs. W. S. Perkins, Miss Grace Perkins, each, F. M. \$1; Moncton, Miss Clarke's salary, \$34; H. M. \$7; Reports 80c; Berwick, F. M. \$28, H. M. \$12; Somerset Branch, F. M. \$18, H. M. \$12; twenty-five dollars of this amount, constitutes Mrs. E. Prior Sandford a life member; Weston Branch, F. M. \$7.60, H. M. \$1.77; Berwick, Tidings, 25c, Reports, 30c; Sydney, Bethany, proceeds of Crusade and collection, F. M. \$12, H. M. \$8; Fredericton, proceeds of Social, F. M. \$45; DeBert, F. M. \$12, H. M. \$3; Tidings, 30c; New Canada, F. M. \$4; Spring Hill, F. M. \$6; H. M. \$2.60; Tidings, 52c; Reports, 15c; Westport, F. M. \$1.50; Nictaux, F. M. \$3; Mr. H. Simpson Charlton a thank offering to constitute his wife a life member, F. M. \$12.50, H. M. \$12.50; Reports, 15c; Pedequa, F. M. \$7; Woodville, F. M. \$14.50, H. M. \$2.50; Report, 5c; Lawrence-town, F. M. \$8.50, H. M. \$1.50; Tidings, 25c; Reports, 20c; Miss Newcombs salary \$1; Greek Village, F. M. \$4.50, H. M. \$1; Christmas offering, H. M. \$3.50; Port Grenville, F. M. \$2.50, H. M. \$7.25; Christmas offering, H. M. \$2.65; Reports, 25c; Westport, Tidings 25c; West Jeddore, F. M. \$4.00; Onslow West F. M. \$3.00; Yarmouth, Temple Ch. F. M. \$3.25; Apple River, Tidings, 25c; Canning, Tidings, 25c; Freeport, F. M. \$2.00, Tidings 25c; Reports 10c; Wolfville, Tidings, 25c; leaflets, 68c; Granville Centre, F. M. \$5.00; St. John, Tabernacle, F. M. \$7.10, H. M. \$1.90, N. W. \$1.00.

MARY SMITH, Treas. W. B. M. U.

Amherst P. O. B. 513.

Foreign Mission Receipts.

Isaiah Steeves \$30; In Mem. of D. F. and Libbie Parker \$10; James Bruce, P. E. I., \$15; Amherst S. S., support of child \$17; Pulpit supply \$10. Estate Wm. A. Hutchinson, \$100; Est. Mrs. J. T. Eaton \$40; Miss Gertie Curry's S. S. class Wundor for Miss F. Clark \$4. Total \$216.

SUPPORT OF MR. GLENDENNING.

Middleton B. Y. P. U. \$25; Adelia Parker, \$5; W. M. A. S., New Germany, \$5; W. J. Gates \$5; Total \$40.

SUPPORT OF MR. GULLISON.

H. D. Woodbury \$5; Mattie Phillips \$10; A. J. Vincent \$5. Total \$20.

CHICACOLE HOSPITAL FUND.

N. B. Smith \$15; Windor S. S., class 14 \$3; Louis E. Dimock \$20; G. W. Borden \$5. Total \$43.

In the previous acknowledgement, instead of Mrs. B. W. read Mrs. B. N. Nobles per Rev. B. N. Nobles \$90. All these amounts have been received with deepest gratitude, and we should be glad to hear from others.

J. W. Manning, Treas.

Feb. 29, 1904.

A Query.

DEAR EDITOR:—Will you be good enough to tell us just what subject or subjects Rev. E. M. Saunders, D. D., has been discussing in his long drawn out series of articles, published in the MESSENGER AND VISITOR, under the caption, "The Inspiration of the Bible?" Though they deal with the Bible in some general way they certainly do not deal with the question of Inspiration. There is in them no definition of concept to distinguish Inspiration from a dozen other concepts touching the Bible. Such articles as these under their proper title would be interesting, timely, and helpful. But under a title so misleading as to their true content and intent they can be only misleading and harmful. A discussion of the great fact of Inspiration of the Scriptures with accurate definition of the concept would be very helpful and timely.

RUPERT OSGOOD MORSE.

Chester, N. S.

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Eczema

It is first called Salt Rheum.

Sometimes Scrofula.

It comes in patches that burn, ite, ooze, dry and scale, over and over again.

It sometimes becomes chronic, covers the whole body, causing intense suffering, loss of sleep, and general debility.

It broke out with its peculiar itching on the arms of Mrs. Ida E. Ward, Cove Point, Md., and all over the body of Mrs. Geo. W. Thompson, Sayville, N. Y.; troubled Mrs. P. J. Christian, Mahopac Falls, N. Y., six years, and J. R. Richardson, Jr., Cuthbert, Ga., fifteen years.

These sufferers testify, like many others, that they were speedily and permanently cured by

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which always removes the cause of eczema, by thoroughly cleansing the blood, and builds up the whole system.