





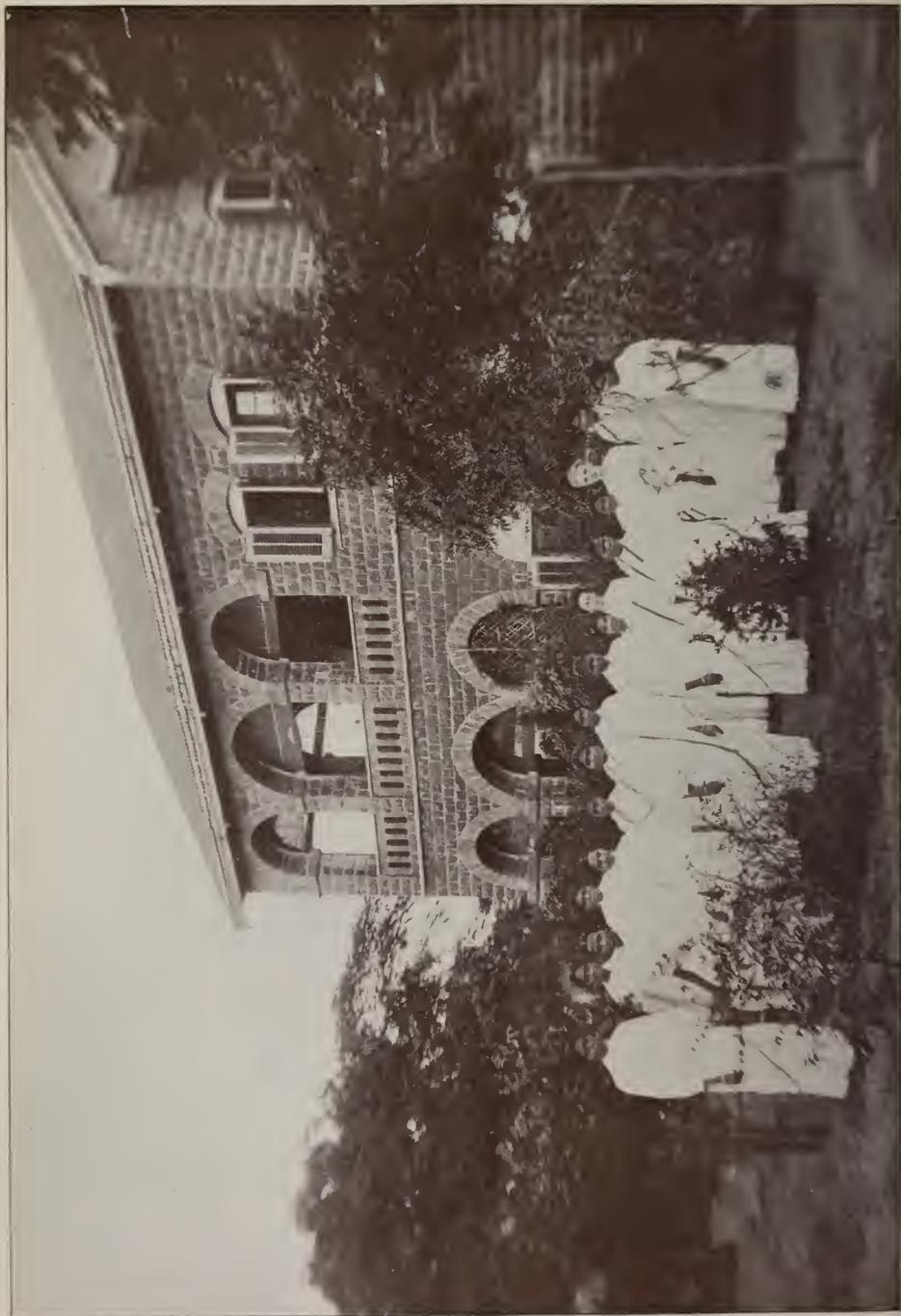
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# Life and Light

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## Umzumbe Revisited

By Amy Bridgman Cowles

Rev. and Mrs. George B. Cowles returned to South Africa last December after several years in this country. Mrs. Cowles is helping in the Umzumbe School in her own generous way, and her account of their arrival and new experiences in their old home will be read with interest both by her friends on the Pacific Coast and by the Vermont Branch readers, who have assumed her support. Mrs. Cowles is a sister of Rev. F. B. Bridgman, and their mother, who went with her husband to South Africa in 1860, is still a missionary of the American Board, living now with her daughter.—*The Editor.*

**N**OUR weeks to-day since we reached Umzumbe and it is high time I wrote you that we are safely home at last. We reached here just three months and sixteen days from the time we left Campbell, Cal., and it seems all of a year, for so much has happened. The distance between us and the dear homeland seems doubled just now, for the war has upset our mails as well as everything else. We can no longer count on weekly letters from home. We must simply accustom ourselves to a state of constant expectancy and school ourselves to wait and wait. The authorities advise a daily sending of home mail and promise simply that the letters will go sometime. Our last letters from California were written at Christmas time and received February 15. What a relief it was to get them, and how thankful we are to hear from home at all, when we so keenly realize the commotion on sea and land which prevails in these dreadful war times. We are far from war disturbances here, however; only war prices disturb us, and these are very disturbing. We innocently ordered a can of white paint from Durban the other day. When the bill came for four dollars, we decided that white paint must be put upon the list of luxuries. Everything we buy here is double and treble the usual price or the price in America. We are so thankful for everything we bought in America and so sorry for everything we did not buy there. The cost of native labor remains the same, for which we are thankful.

## OUR FIRST ADVENTURES

But to talk of the real things regarding our work. It is simply fascinating. Discouragements? Yes, heaps of them, but there is much to encourage. I am constantly surprised to find so much to inspire. Sunday Mr. Cowles and I mounted our horses and rode seven miles over the hills, to help our native pastor hold a communion service in one of our out-stations. I had not been on a horse's back for ten years at least, and it was a blistering hot day, so a fourteen mile ride was quite a jaunt for us, but it was the only way to go, and it was a real treat to get right off into the wilds among the people to whom it meant so much and who are trying so hard to live the Christ life.

Twenty-four years ago I went to this same region to hold a service. At that time there was not one dressed person in the audience. Yesterday all were dressed except a sprinkling of heathen who sat on the floor at the back. Two women were admitted to the church and two babies baptized, and we all had the communion service together. One plate and one tumbler and a glass pitcher made up the communion service, and the little church had mud walls and some of the seats were chopped out of tree trunks, but Jesus was there. At the close of the service the head man, Golweni, got up and gave us a tremendous speech of welcome. Then he took us down to his house and sat us at a table with the native pastor and his wife. A white cloth was on



Umzumbe Mission Station

the table and a tempting golden brown chicken which had been roasted in a pot, and there were sweet potatoes and rice and tea, and for dessert the most delicious curded milk imaginable.

After this royal feast, we mounted our horses and proceeded to scramble home again, up and down the precipitous hills. Over and again in climbing up steep hills, I clung to the horse's mane for dear life to keep from being pitched off backwards, and the horse and I had a truly narrow escape in crossing the Umzumbe River. I had just urged the horse into the water, when down he went into a hole. For a few moments the situation was very serious for the horse and for me, but after some tremendous tumbling and plunging about, my good old nag "Marcus" scrambled back again onto the bank we had just left. This last little episode occurred on our way to the church. One of my shoes had filled with water during this fracas, so I kept my wet stocking off and literally went to church with one stocking on and one stocking off. As I sat on the platform I could see my wet stocking waving in the breeze. The risibles of our very reverent Zulu audience were not in the least affected by my funny predicament. These dear simple folk are so used to emergencies that they seem to accept the unusual philosophically! We reached home at eight o'clock in the moonlight, tired, lame, sunburned and oh, so thirsty, but happy. For an hour the lights from the Umzumbe Home had been our beacon. Above the Home the Southern



Pupils in the Umzumbe School

Cross shone forth in all its splendor. The lesser light below reminded us of how truly we are "a city set on a hill," and the greater light above spoke to us of "a green hill far away" and of that Cross which is drawing all men unto Him. We know it is so, because we are seeing it here every day. Oh, it is marvelous.

#### EAGER AUDIENCES

The first Sunday after we landed we were in Durban, and I attended church in our American Board Mission chapel there. At the afternoon service there were at least four hundred in the congregation. Only about fifty of these were women. There were no empty front seats and only a few empty back seats. Bench after bench was filled solid with men. We had just landed and somehow I felt as though I just wanted to fly back to America and get a whole lot of our pastors to come and see!

A week ago yesterday Mr. Cowles and I went seven miles north of us here to help in a service at Chief Udunge's. Here was another inspiring sight. A heathen chief, converted years and years ago by our missionaries, has now built a fine little chapel and fitted it up. He himself went to our Theological School and studied awhile; then came back and preached to his people, with the above result. The church was well filled with men and women the day we were there, and Chief Udunge himself passed us the bread and wine. After church he invited us to dinner with him, and we had a long and most delightful talk with His Royal Highness. He told us all about his church work and his day school of fifty children. Then he told us of his land troubles. In his calm, well-poised way he spoke of the abominable Lands Act which has recently been passed by this South African Government, which forbids any native to own land. Udunge quietly remarked, "That law makes us all slaves." As we were leaving Udunge's, a dear old woman, carrying a grandchild, came up to us. She proved to be one of the wives whom Udunge had to give up when he became a Christian. I said, "Where do you live now?" "Oh," she replied, "right here with my children," and she added, "I want for nothing. The chief is so

good to me. He gives me everything." She is a dear old thing and so clean. It is her son who is heir to the throne!

#### OUR MANY WELCOMES

But I must tell you of our welcomes here. After all our weeks of travel we arrived here at last on a beautiful cool day. It was the misty sort, with fleecy clouds floating over the mountain tops, and the hills and valleys all so green and fresh and dustless. After four hours on the train we alighted at the Umtwalume Rail-



Girls' Dormitory

road Station and found the Umzumbe Home horse and carriage awaiting us. Mr. Cowles, Frederick and I were soon in the carriage and climbing up the hills. Had it been a hot day those twenty-four miles of road would have seemed very long indeed, but because it was cool we enjoyed every minute of it. We drove through a constantly changing panorama of hills. A beautiful table mountain loomed against the sky and seemed to follow us most of the way. Then there were hills and hills, all rolling into each other and out of each other and around each other in the wildest profusion. And here at Umzumbe we are on a hill

in the center of a huge bowlful of hills, right in the midst of a magnificent amphitheatre. It is wonderful,—a magnificent view from every door and window in this house. “As the mountains are round about Umzumbe, so is the Lord round about them that fear Him.” That must be our Umzumbe motto.

Just as soon as we came to the edge of the station, the church bell rang out merrily, and we could see groups of dressed people winding along the paths. By the time we drove up to our gate quite a company of station people had gathered, most of them old timers whom I have known since babyhood. Our old native pastor led the company with his hymn book in hand, and as Mr. Cowles drew rein, they all broke out into a song of welcome. Then we were asked into the chapel, where welcome speeches and replies were the order of the day. After that a tremendous confusion out of doors, handshaking and introductions, and plenty of exclamations about my added avoirdupois. “Your country must love you very much,” is the usual explanation. We arrived in vacation time, so we missed the usual procession of school children and girls who usually go out with palm leaves and singing to welcome missionaries, but we have had heaps of other processions. The latest one arrived last week, when our beautiful hunch-backed pastor from Dweshula’s came into the yard with quite a retinue. His old mother carried upon her head a pan of green corn and native squash, a present to my mother, and the two old ladies had a merry time together. With Ianda came also one of the wives of the chief man at Dweshula’s. Upon her head she carried a hamper of chickens, a present from Shayanigoma to Mr. Cowles and me. Then there were two small boys and a brother, six in all, and Ianda had come with his little company twenty-five miles to welcome us, walking every step of the way, of course.

#### A BEAUTIFUL SOUL

We had a long three hours’ visit with this man of God, and from his own lips heard the story of how God has blessed his labors way up there on the crest of these surrounding hills. The story is too long to tell here, but think of him sometimes,

friends, and offer a prayer for this dear hunch-backed man, who is known and loved throughout this whole region for his good works. He is frail in body, and often full of pain, and yet he is tireless, as he walks down into the deep valleys and up the steep mountains, telling ever of Jesus and His love. As a result, he often has four hundred at his Sunday morning service. So many that the little sod church can hold only half the number, and they go out under the trees to praise and pray. The fifty children in



Teachers' Home

this school have all chosen Christ, and all this is going on right in the heart of heathenism, with nothing to help except the Bible and God's Spirit at work in the hearts of pastor and people. And Ianda, this good man, has the huge salary of ten dollars a month. He has eight children, and they live in a tiny house with one bedroom. In reply to my question he said, "Oh, to build a big house such as I would like would cost fifty dollars," and he held his hand over his mouth in awe as he mentioned this huge sum! And no man on earth is more deserving of that big, palatial, sod parsonage than is Ianda.

Other welcomes I must mention briefly. The men of the station came in a body to welcome us one day, and a service of welcome was held in the church, to which all the out-stations were invited. Then we have been welcomed by endless gifts, chickens galore, and green corn and beans, and pineapples and honey and sweet potatoes. Such warm-hearted greetings certainly go far to ease the heartache which comes often as we think of the great loneliness which stretches away and away between us and our children on the other side of this big world. It is because the people have longed for a missionary that they are glad to see us, and it is this that makes us glad to be here.

I must not neglect to mention the beautiful welcome nature has given us. Two tremendous night blooming cereus plants in our front yard have held us enraptured. Sixty-nine great white blossoms on one plant one morning and about twenty on the other. Each cactus climbs to the top of a huge tree, and the white blossoms look like great stars sprinkled through the soft foliage of the trees.

#### BUSY DAYS FOR ALL

As to our duties. They are mostly irregular ones, seeing people at all hours of the day on every imaginable sort of errand. Of our regular duties I will speak briefly. Mr. Cowles has taken over the daily Bible teaching in our girls' boarding school. He has forty of the most advanced girls in his class each morning and enjoys them very much. The head native teacher comes in and gets the lesson and gives it herself to the rest of the school, so the whole school gets the same lesson every day. Then Mr. Cowles has taken over the field work of the school. Just now he is having about seven acres of land ploughed up. This the girls will plant out with beans and sweet potatoes.

My duties are housekeeping for my family of seven, looking after the medicines and sick girls of the school, with a native nurse to help. Then I have charge of the school Christian Endeavor, and I am to have two cooking classes, the women's meeting of the church and the primary class of the Sunday school, and most of all, talking with the people almost every minute of the day. It is amazing how busy one can keep in the wilds of Africa.

## Editorials

Communications from our missionaries in the interior of Turkey are very infrequent and meager, and if it were not for the returning travelers and consular reports we should know little of the frightful conditions which must tell upon the strongest nerves and the stoutest hearts. For what can a few Americans, with the small sums of money at their disposal, do in the face of such destitution, suffering and disease? Famine—universal food shortage—seems likely to be added to the other horrors, and this for Turks and Armenians alike. Crop prospects are very dark. From reliable sources we learn that plantings for 1915 were about half of those for 1914; plantings for 1916 will not be more than two fifths of those for 1915. Meat is growing scarcer and scarcer, because animals have been used for the army and many cattle sold because there was no feed for them.

As for the Armenian refugees, their condition in Western Turkey seems more pitiful than ever. It is estimated that there are 500,000 in the regions around Aleppo and around Damascus. German missionaries in the vicinity of Aleppo have been administering relief and helping to gather the forsaken little children into orphanages. One writes: "The big Etappen road to Islahie has seen so much sadness, so many tears and sorrows, that nobody can describe it. Both sides of the road show many graves of those who could not endure the wet weather and the hunger."

We quote from another heartbreaking letter written by a German missionary, Sister Paula, imploring Red Cross funds: "The need from Mamuret to Aleppo among the returning Armenians is indescribable. The Bagdad Railway Company has received back about 10,000 workers from exile. These men came with all their relatives often more than twenty in a family, and all of them were run down to the utmost degree; starved, robbed, in an absolutely indescribable condition. Now these people have brought typhus here, and so the men who came for the work have in many cases died, while the families remain here forsaken. They have no bread, sit in the rain in miserable tents,

and frequently have but one cover for eight to twenty persons. If one goes through such a camp as I have just visited, the women and children scream for bread, having had nothing but water to live upon for three or four days. . . . Often one finds tents where father and mother have died and children still sit forsaken or sick in tents. . . . We implore God that this great misery may soon come to an end, for it is too frightful."

A letter just received in New York by the Armenian and Syrian Relief Committee states that the return of refugees to the Van Province has been officially authorized.

**A Hopeful Word**  
**from Eastern Turkey.** "The 12,000 who have already hastened back," says the writer, "will soon be 20,000 and 30,000." Representatives of the Committee in Tiflis have received an appeal from the Russian Governor of Van, Mr. Teremin, asking Americans to join in re-establishing these homeless people and providing them with seeds and farming implements. A letter from the Stapletons at Erzurum has at last come through by Russian post and reports that Russia is cleaning up the city and establishing a staple city government. The same is doubtless true of Trebizond, although no word has been received from Mr. and Mrs. Crawford since the city was taken by Russia. The Russians are reported to be treating the surviving Armenians with great kindness and consideration, and their relations with our missionaries appear to be cordial.

**Personal**  
**Mention.** Miss Caroline E. Frost of Amanzimtote, South Africa, who arrived in New York April 26, had a rather unusual experience in leaving Durban. She had come to that city, packed for the voyage and expecting to wait for the regular English mail boat, but was surprised one day to receive a messenger who told her that a Swedish steamer, about five thousand tons, *en route* from Australia to New York, had stopped to coal. A Methodist missionary and his wife had been taken on board at an India port and there was room for one more passenger. Would she like to go? She thought she would, so hastily picked up her few belongings, not already in readiness, and went aboard. The captain, not knowing how the vicissitudes

of war might have affected the various islands where he was accustomed to call, steered clear of land after leaving Cape Town, and Miss Frost had a direct voyage of twenty-nine days from that city to New York! She comes for regular furlough and will spend the summer with her sister in Nashua, N. H.

Miss Amy E. McKowan, who went to Japan in 1911 and who has been teaching in the Baikwa Girls' School, Osaka, has had quite a serious illness, but has now resumed her work.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Pettee, whose home has been for so many years in Okayama, Japan, have recently moved to Tokyo, in response to an earnest request from the Japanese of that city that they would come and live among them. They left Okayama before the arrival of Miss Alice Pettee Adams, who reached Japan, March 18. The Pettees will be missed by a host of warm friends in Okayama, but this change of residence will bring them near their daughter, Elizabeth, now Mrs. Charles B. Tenny of the Baptist Mission in Tokyo.

A recent letter from Sivas says that Miss Graffam's illness did not prove to be typhus, as at first feared, and reports the little circle there as well.

Mr. Charles Riggs, Mrs. Luther Fowle and two children, and Miss Hattie Hale arrived in New York, April 13, from Constantinople. Mr. Riggs gave an address full of interest at the Friday meeting in Pilgrim Hall, May 5. Mrs. Frank J. Woodward of Micronesia and Miss Mary B. Harding of India were the other missionary speakers at this meeting, which was the last for the season.

A party booked to sail from San Francisco, June 15, include Rev. William Hazen and Mrs. Hazen, returning to Bombay, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur A. McBride and Miss Harding of Sholapur, also Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Burr and Miss Clara E. Bruce of Ahmednagar.

Word has been received of the marriage of Miss Edith Gates, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Lorin S. Gates of the Marathi Mission, and for eleven years a missionary of the W. B. M. in Ahmednagar, to Mr. Charles W. Miller, instructor at Jaffna College, Ceylon. The wedding took place at Ahmednagar, on March 2.

Rev. and Mrs. F. B. Bridgman and their little son left Boston the last of April, starting on the first stages of a long journey to Johannesburg, Natal, by the way of Japan and China. Mrs. Bridgman plans to sail from San Francisco September 9, and will spend some time with her sisters, Mrs. Robert Chandler of Tientsin, Mrs. C. H. Olds of Niigata and with Mrs. J. D. Davis at Kobe. Mr. Bridgman who sails later will join her in Japan.

Rev. and Mrs. Murray S. Frame (Alice Browne) are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, April 30, Murray Scott Frame, Jr.

As we go to press plans are in readiness for a good meeting at Haverhill, Mass. Mrs. John F. Thompson of Portland, Me., will present the Jubilee Increase Campaign. We expect to have with us Miss Carolyn D. Smiley of Winchester, Mass., our first Jubilee missionary. Various features of the year's work will be brought by the Board secretaries, a devotional service at noon will be led by Mrs. Horace Plummer of Newburyport, Miss Elsie M. Garretson of Foochow, Mrs. Ernest A. Yarrow of Van, and Mrs. A. A. McBride of Sholapur, will bring the missionary messages, and Rev. Brewer Eddy of the American Board will give the closing talk of the afternoon on The Joy of the Task. We hope for fair weather and a fine audience.

Miss Minnie E. Carter, designated to the Zulu Mission was commissioned at the New Haven Branch meeting, held in New Haven, May 9. Miss Carter's home is in Bethel, Conn., and she is a graduate of the Connecticut State Normal School. The commission was presented by Dr. Edward Lincoln Smith, district secretary of the American Board, and the Woman's Board was represented by Mrs. Frank Gaylord Cook of Cambridge, the first vice president. Rev. F. B. Bridgman gave the welcome to the field. Miss Carter expects to sail in the fall, if practicable.

At the annual meeting of the Western Maine Branch, held in Lewiston, Me., May 17, Miss Carolyn D. Smiley, the first Jubilee missionary, received her commission at the hands of Dr. W. E. Strong, Miss Calder representing the Woman's Board. Miss Smiley expects to sail August 10 for India, where she has been designated to the Ahmednagar Girls' School.

With the early summer days come the attractive circulars setting forth the joy of the vacation time spent at one of the Summer Conferences now such a feature of the missionary calendar. The Northfield Summer School, July 14-21. claims the first attention of New England women, younger and older. In addition to the opening address by Mrs. Caroline Atwater Mason, and the lectures on World Missions and World Peace by Mrs. Montgomery, the Committee advertise a list of speakers who will surely prove a magnet to draw many to that delightful place,—East Northfield. Among those expected are Dr. Belle Allen of India, Ruth Paxson and Jennie Hughes of China, and Mrs. E. G. Hall of Africa, Dr. Henry C. Applegarth, Mrs. T. S. Gladding, Miss Mary Ely, Miss Margaret Burton, Mrs. W. H. Farmer and others will lead classes. Aloha Camp has a fetching little folder all its own, telling of the charms of tent life. Its ranks are filling up, so that applications should be made early by the girls who are intending to join it. Applications with registration fee of two dollars should be sent to Miss Elizabeth F. Pullen, Norwich, Conn., before June 15.

Advance notices of the Missionary Education Movement Conferences may also be had at the Board rooms. The Silver Bay dates are July 7-14, and those for Ocean Park, Maine, are July 21-30. Our president, Mrs. C. H. Daniels will represent the Woman's Board at both these gatherings, while Miss Calder and Miss Preston will attend the Northfield Summer School.

For a variety of reasons it has seemed wise to the Editorial Committee to omit for this year the August number of LIFE AND LIGHT, giving additional pages in the July magazine. This proposal has the endorsement of the Executive Committee, and we should be glad to have the opinion of the readers, after the July magazine has been received. There are, of course, many changes of address in the summer and it has seemed as if the August number, in a good many instances, had been left uncalled for at the post office. It has also been felt that this issue did not reach the inner consciousness of the constituency in the same way that the other

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numbers do. We hope to give you in July and again in September an increased amount of specially valuable material, and shall be glad to know how this experiment is received.

In many respects the Conference of Branch Officers in Boston, April 11-13, was one of the most successful gatherings of the kind ever held. The Conference met in the chapel of the Old South Church, with the exception of Branch Officers in Conference. Wednesday evening, when a large number gathered at a public meeting in the auditorium to listen to Mr. Sherwood Eddy. This year the experiment was tried of having a joint conference of senior and junior leaders, a plan which has some decided advantages. Four officers from each Branch were called for and twelve Branches had their full quota present, while every Branch was represented. Eastern Maine sent two, Mrs. George H. Eaton, the president, and Mrs. Herbert Allen, secretary for junior work, while from our western limit came Mrs. W. H. Crosby of Buffalo, president of the Western New York Association.

Various important matters were discussed, including the question of the most successful form of organization for the local missionary society. Mrs. George Swallow of Gardner, Mass., gave an admirable presentation of the merits of the separate foreign missionary society, and Mrs. E. W. Kirkland of Bellows Falls, Vt., brought tabulated evidence from 202 missionary associations and unions of the valuable features of such organizations. Much time was given to discussion, and the arguments "pro and con" were summed up by Miss Lillian E. Prudden, president of the New Haven Branch. Many spoke in favor of a "church day" with weekly meetings for each department of the Association. Interesting testimony was brought as to the spiritual training and power of prayer developed in the separate foreign missionary auxiliary. While the consensus of opinion was on the side of some form of federation or union, it was pointed out that each church must study conditions and develop the type of missionary society which will enlist and educate the largest proportion of its members. Further details of these discussions will be found in the *Interchange*.

The Golden Anniversary Gift had large place in the Conference. Reports full of encouragement were given from all the Branches. These will be found in the *Golden Anniversary Gift News*,—the bulletin which is being distributed freely through the Branches. The entire amount reported at the Conference was \$140,085. This sum has now been increased to \$147,351.

The central event of the days together was the supper at the Hotel Westminster in the interests of the Golden Anniversary Gift, where Rev. F. B. Bridgman made a telling speech in the interests of Inanda Seminary, for which the sum of \$20,000 is asked for dormitory and industrial work building. Mr. Sherwood Eddy at this time gave a graphic picture of the needs of Madura Hospital and the Uduvil Girls' School, saying of the latter, if asked to name the educational institution for girls in all Asia which exerted the widest influence, he would name the Uduvil School. Mr. Eddy's address, which followed in the Old South, will be long remembered by the one thousand or more people who listened. President Edward C. Moore conducted this service.

### THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD

#### RECEIPTS FROM APRIL 1-30, 1916

	For Regular Work			For Buildings	For Special Objects	From Legacies	TOTAL
	Branches	Other Sources	TOTAL				
1915.	\$15,635.26	\$366.00	\$16,001.26	\$17,234.33	\$136 90	\$2,000 00	\$35,372.49
1916.	16,357 45	140.00	16,497.45	4,126.14	160.64	.....	20,784.23
Gain.	\$722.19		\$496.19		\$23.74		
Loss..	-	\$226.00		\$13,108.19		\$2,000.00	\$14,588.26

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1915.	\$59,775.66	\$6,672.13	\$66,447.79	\$25,087.01	\$1,525.78	\$13,950.65	\$107,011 23
1916.	60,157.17	2,985.44	63,142.61	28,996.12	1,179.32	13,878.60	107,196 65
Gain.	\$381.51			\$3,909.11			\$185.42
Loss..		\$3,686.69	\$3,305.18		\$346.46	\$72.05	

### Jubilee Increase Campaign

April 12 was Jubilee Day at the Branch Officers' Conference, and reports were given from all the Branches, most of which were very encouraging in tone. Hartford Branch showed an immense chart, with varied colored squares representing each one of the 85 churches in its territory and their present organizations for foreign missions. A big J marks the Jubilee Increase Societies and a diamond shows where there are Junior Lookouts. Berkshire Branch reported an effort to secure half the women membership in its churches, thus making the advance asked of it. New York Branch has an enthusiastic Jubilee Increase secretary, Mrs. Roy B. Guild, who presented Branch Executive plans. She found three things needful,—Knowledge, Consecrated Enthusiasm and the Personal Touch. This Branch is asking for a Jubilee Committee of three in each one of its Associations. Western Maine reported one half its increase already gained, Franklin County has divided the churches having no organizations among the Branch officers, for approach and fostering care. North Middlesex felt that the adoption of a young missionary had given great impetus to its work for junior organizations, Eastern Maine wished that it might borrow Mrs. John Thompson or other Branch officers, to give the personal uplift needed in its scattered churches. This suggested a general interchange of Branch workers where it could be planned.

The Woman's Board offered to send a field worker into some of the more distant Branches if it could be arranged, and this proposal was received with cordiality. Many Branch luncheons for officers and Jubilee Increase Committees were reported. Suffolk Branch has had ten meetings for leaders, junior and senior, in its ten districts, and has a chart for each district showing present strength by blue stars and increase by gold stars. Surely Jubilee Day will be remembered by all these leaders and cannot fail to bear fruit in the Branches.

## Program Plans for Next Year

**Nearing the Jubilee.** The prepared program for the Jubilee Increase meeting is ready and an effort will be made to place one copy in the hands of every program committee or president whose society signifies its purpose to hold such a meeting in October, 1916, or if more convenient at some later date. These programs have been published in limited numbers and are not intended for general distribution, as it would be obviously unfortunate to have the contents of the little portfolio generally known before the Nearing the Jubilee meeting takes place. For this reason it has been deemed wisest to send them out only through the Branch Secretaries of Literature, and not from the Board rooms direct to the auxiliary. Will you, therefore, if you are in charge of the programs for the foreign missionary society of your church, either junior or senior, send to your Branch secretary for **ONE COPY** of the program case? Junior leaders should apply to the Branch junior secretary. Samples of cards, folders, etc., for free distribution at the meeting will be found enclosed, and orders for these should be sent to Miss Hartshorn as the time of your meeting approaches. Do not forget that each part, of this program is connected with the preceding part, and that all lead up to a discussion of the Jubilee Increase Campaign and to a Service of Intercession, which are vital features of the afternoon's meeting. There will be much stimulus in planning for the meeting, remembering that hundreds of other women will be carrying out the same plan at or near the same time. **Pray, Prepare, Promote.**

**Pioneers' and Present Day Workers' Series.** A further suggestion for study is being made by the Committee on Publications. In view of the approaching Jubilee of the Woman's Board, and the fact that many of the younger women in our churches who are now among the most active workers for missions yet have little clear idea of the history of the past fifty years, as carried on by our own missionaries, it has seemed a peculiarly fitting time to offer a course of study based upon three sets of biographical sketches,—namely, The Pioneers, the Present Day Workers and the Native Helpers. This course of study may be used at the regular meetings of the woman's missionary society, may be

adapted to extra reading circle meetings held at the homes of the members, or may be made the basis of mission study classes to be held during the six weeks of Lent, 1917.

There will be six suggested outlines for this course, and these, with most of the leaflets needed to work out the plan, will be ready in July. Six countries have been selected,—Africa, India, China, Japan, Turkey, and two European Missions, Spain and Bulgaria. Each outline will consider a Pioneer, a Present Day Worker and, wherever practicable, a Native Helper. For instance, in Japan the program will be based upon the work of Miss Eliza Talcott, the Pioneer, Miss Alice P. Adams, the Present Day Worker, with the story of a Japanese Bible woman, which Mrs. Pettee is preparing. The Pioneer and Present Day Workers' Series will be separate leaflets, while the sketches of the Native Helpers will be bound up under one cover.

These leaflets will be five cents each, with the exception of the stories of the Native Helpers, which may be seven cents. We hope to offer the entire set at a considerable reduction, provided all are ordered at one time. It is not possible to state this month what this reduced price will be, but we hope not more than forty cents, with postage added.

As supplementary material there is the attractive little leaflet regarding Eliza Agnew of Ceylon, by Miss Ethel D. Hubbard, and the Memorial booklet just published, giving the life of Mrs. George C. Raynolds. This has been carefully prepared by Miss Grace H. Knapp, and is closely related to the Pioneer Series, as Mrs. Raynolds was for forty-eight years a missionary of the Woman's Board. The edition of this booklet is limited, but it may be obtained from the Board rooms for ten cents per copy. Mrs. Joseph Cook, whose review, abridged for lack of space, appears on page 283 this month, says that the sub-title might well be. A Great Soul, the title of the chapter written by Mr. Yarrow.

It is interesting to note the warm welcome accorded the little pamphlet, not only by Mrs. Raynolds' associates in the mission, but by the Eastern Connecticut Branch, which supported her throughout her term of service, and by Dr. Raynolds' friends in many lands.

## Springtime in Barcelona

By Clara W. Newcomb

Miss Newcomb, who went from New London, Conn., last year to teach in the Colegio Internazionale at Barcelona, writes of the happy days in this school. Springtime in "Sunny Spain" seems to have some of the characteristics of a New England spring.

**O**UR girls are so closely confined, as is the custom in Spain, between the walls around our gardens, with only three walks outside during the week, that a very little liberty is a great treat to them. We have been having wonderfully clear moonlight nights, and one Saturday, their holiday



Little Folks at Barcelona

evening, Miss Morrison took them all for a moonlight walk. Such a hurry and scurry there was, while thirty-four pairs of eager feet ran upstairs for hats and coats. You know it is the custom in this conventional country for the pupils of each school to wear a uniform when on the street, and we think our girls are very tastefully and attractively dressed in their suits of navy blue serge, with pleated skirts and Norfolk coat, white pique blouses and blue felt hats. Excitement ran high when they found that they were actually going in the tram for a short distance (price

one cent). We left the car at the main boulevard of Sarria, and with not a few longing glances at a brightly lighted motion picture house, began to walk westward, past shops, church and villas whose white walls gleamed in the moonlight behind dark and graceful palms. After crossing the bridge we soon reached the country and stopped at a parting of the unfrequented road for a wildly exciting game. Up above on the summit of San Pedro, the white walls of a picturesque ruin glimmered dimly; the sea opposite shone like silver, and the great city was crowned with ten thousand golden lights. When the girls had played until



In the Garden, Barcelona

they were out of breath, and the wind had snapped the elastics from at least a dozen hats, we rode back to the Colegio and all slept like tops after such a dose of fresh air.

On the 22d of February the Stars and Stripes floated over our main building against a springlike blue sky. Next day we awoke to find snow, the first snow of the winter, falling in heavy, wet flakes, not the large floating feathers that fall in New England. But it was lovely to see the masses of dark pines on the hills around us, powdered with white, although snow on blossoming violet beds and fruit-laden orange trees does seem a little

incongruous. The girls, of course, were wild with excitement, and ran out to make snowballs before breakfast. But their clothing is not intended for such cold weather, especially the thin low slippers which many wear. I wish you could have seen Miss Wood when she found that two little girls in her first class of the morning had reached school with wet feet. "Come on," she said, "each put one arm around my neck"; and bending down she picked up one surprised and delighted little girl on each arm, like a figure of Charity, and carried them along the muddy path to her own room in the next house, where drying of feet and reading of English went on conveniently together.

This week ended with the usual reviews and monthly examinations, which latter are conducted orally in the presence of the whole school. All assemble as usual in the large salon for chapel exercises, after which one class after another is called to the front and is put through its paces for twenty minutes by the regular teacher. The object of this is to accustom the girls to oral public examinations, which they must take in the city, at the Institute or the normal, in order to obtain recognition from these institutions upon finishing their courses,—this corresponding to a diploma with us at home. While our examinations are being conducted, the teachers and girls sit listening, the latter sometimes studying until their turn is called, or more often bending over the fine, beautiful work on their embroidery frames. Most of the girls do very well in these examinations, and some of the classes are most interesting, especially Dona Benigna's class in bookkeeping, conducted in English. Such subjects as bookkeeping, stenography, gymnastics, physics, and a fascinating class in "great artists," indicate that schools like ours are of a very different type from the convent schools, where little is taught but music, embroidery, and the catechism.

What we are much more interested in teaching our girls is a higher sense of honor, truthfulness in all relations, and that loyalty to Jesus Christ which is not an outward form, but happy and spontaneous response to His love. Sometimes when we walk on the mountains at sunset, we look off over the great city beside the sea, and wonder what is going on in this house or in that,

what kind of people live there, where are the homes of our day pupils, with whom we cannot hope for as much influence as with those who live under our roof. Last evening when the city lights began to shine, one here and another there, faint at first, then growing and glowing, it made me think: that is just like our hope for these girls,—that in this great city, so beautiful outwardly, so needing the true beauty, and at many other points in needy Spain, our girls may be burning and shining lights along the King's highway.

## The Woman's Hospital in Ahmednagar

By Dr. Ruth P. Hume

The frontispiece shows the staff at the Ahmednagar Hospital, including Dr. Ruth P. Hume and Dr. Clara Proctor. Miss Elizabeth Johnson has been detained in this country by serious surgical treatment, but hopes before long to be able to take up her work as superintendent of nurses, from which she has been so ely missed.

**I** AM sending you some photographs of the hospital and staff, taken recently. (See frontispiece.) Perhaps a few words about the various people will be of interest.

Krupabai Mahatakar, the assistant, is the daughter of one of the early converts in Ahmednagar. Her father was forcibly removed from the old brick house which you will remember having seen in Ahmednagar. He was carried over the gate and hidden by his friends for some months. But he was a Christian at heart, and later he escaped from his friends and was baptized. Krupabai was educated in our mission schools, especially in Bombay. Then she studied medicine at the Medical School for Christian Women in Ludhiana and had a couple of years in a mission hospital in Ambala. She came to Ahmednagar last June and has been very satisfactory. She takes charge of the out-patients and relieves Dr. Proctor and me of much detail work in keeping histories, doing dressings, etc. She has fitted in nicely here, and the nurses and patients like her.

Sulochanabai Satralkar, the niece of our good Bible woman, Bhagubai Satralkar, is our compounder and is responsible for the drug room. She started to study nursing here years ago, but

she did not have the physical strength. However, she has an excellent head on her shoulders. So after becoming stronger she went into the drug room and has gradually become a most trusted compounder.

Our matron, Tulsabai Rahator, is a keen woman, who likes to know about everything. She has come into the wards and operating room and has learned many things about nursing. And now she has asked to take the regular work with the nurses. So she takes all the class work and puts part of the time every day in the wards. We expect her to take her examination with this class.

We are graduating three nurses this year. One, Kaushalya Zagadu, is a very reliable nurse. She is not brilliant, and she cannot write a beautiful report. But we would rather have her nurse a patient carefully than write a wonderful report about her. Mukta Pol came from the Salvation Army, and later expects to go to one of their hospitals. Gau Hivale, a tall, thin girl, without much reserve strength, is able to help us to some extent in teaching the probationers some of the first things which a nurse must know. And so we give her this instead of night duty, which she has not the strength for.

The outstanding feature of this year's work has been the actual working out of an arrangement which was set on foot even before Miss Johnson left on furlough, by which four mission hospitals in the Marathi-speaking area have agreed to have a course for nurses for which the certificates are given after examination by a joint board. The examiners are one doctor and one nurse from these four hospitals,—the Church of Scotland Mission Hospital in Poona, the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission Hospital in Nasik, the United Free Church of Scotland Mission Hospital in Nagpur, and the American Mission Hospital in Ahmednagar. The first examinations were held last December. The marks of the candidates from this hospital were as good as from any other. But naturally it has been a great deal of work for Dr. Proctor and me to teach the subjects which properly belong to a nurse. We certainly have missed Miss Johnson more than can be put into words, though we have done the very best we could. How-

ever, we feel that this co-operation between the various mission hospitals has been a real forward step. And I would not go back to our independent arrangement.

India is waking up to make a greater evangelistic effort,—Christians for non-Christians. Mr. Eddy's meetings and the preparation before and after in South and North India have brought great results. Now Western India is aroused. And we in the hospital have become more deeply interested. Some months ago the Bible woman, Bhagubai, asked that we might have a prayer meeting at noon after the dispensary and hospital work for the day was largely over. We met regularly for a time. But prayer in that form was not spontaneous. About that time we started to have evening prayers with the nurses, using as a study book Mr. Eddy's *Studies in Acts*, which was translated into Marathi by our former pastor, Shahurao Modak. I lead the class, and we have done some earnest Bible study. Last fall Mr. and Mrs. Annett, of the India Sunday School Union, gave some most helpful talks in Ahmednagar on telling Bible stories. Two evenings a week we have made preparation for, and had practice in, telling Bible stories. It has taken some time to learn how to tell the stories with a fair amount of ease and interest. But now we have just started on the plan of having the nurses teach these stories to the patients during the week, so that they will know them for the Sunday morning service which I am accustomed to lead. Last Sunday all the patients knew the story of Joseph being sold by his brothers on account of their envy. It was a most interesting service. One patient would prompt another, who had forgotten the next point or was bashful. A day or two later a Mohammedan patient stopped me as I passed her bed to say that she knew that story and had been telling it to others. I think the nurses themselves have gotten a new interest in telling the Bible stories to the patients. And it will be worth much to them in their own lives.

I have enjoyed giving simple talks on health and anatomy and physiology to the women in Miss Harris' Brahman Club. I now have an invitation to give a talk on tuberculosis to Indian women in Poona. The missionaries there are arranging a series of lec-



Dr. Hume Starting to Visit a Mohammedan Patient

tures for women in Poona. Dr. Gurubai Karmarkar gave the first talk in January and there was an attendance of between four and five hundred women, largely Brahmans. Our Ushabai Modak was to give the next talk, and I suppose she is there to-day. I have promised to go in August, as there is much to do right here with the nurses' classes until then.

This year both Dr. Proctor and I hope to be away from Ahmednagar during the hot weather, leaving the hospital to Krupabai. But I shall probably not go away until toward the latter part of April. I have not been able to be away for the hottest part of the season for a long time. However, the climate in Ahmednagar is not at all bad, considering many parts of India.

If people want to know what to send to this hospital, tell them all kinds of warm clothes. The war has put the price of wool so high that it seems wicked to buy it, and yet in the cold weather the sick women and children do need to be kept warm. We have had to use cotton *pasodes* instead of blankets to a large extent this year, because blankets were not to be had, except at a very large price. I hesitate to send home for things I want, not knowing whether they will reach here or be wasted at the bottom of the sea. And yet we have lost comparatively little mail!

Dr. Proctor adds this incident of a grateful little patient:—

Have I told you about it? It began just as we arose from the breakfast table. We saw a number of persons—men, women, and children—coming to the front veranda of the bungalow, from the hospital; and the sound of a band! What could it be! We had never been serenaded by a band before. The Indian lute droned with all the sweetness of a bagpipe! The drum man banged with his fingers on his Indian drum with much the zeal and vigor of an industrious blacksmith, and with as much rhythm. Three or four "laymen"—non-musical—accompanied the group, smiling broadly when they saw Dr. Ruth and me, watching for the look of surprise and pleasure with which, of course, we must welcome such an ovation. Two or three of the men carried small, round brass plates upon which was something wrapped up in leaves and pinned with thorns. There were also two or three women, one of whom I recognized as the mother of

our little patient, Shiva. She carried Shiva, aged three and a half years, in her arms. Now we understand; for Shiva, the only son of his mother, was ready to leave the hospital, and his parents had come to thank us as they took him away. He was such a thin, puny little fellow, and when she brought him to us he had a large tumor on the back of his head. The tumor had been growing ever since he was a very little baby, and when she first brought the baby to us to show him, the tumor was so heavy that he could not hold his head up; and when he wanted to turn his head he had to put his two little thin arms behind his neck and lift up the tumor before he could turn his head. Such a pitiable little scrap of humanity he was! Where the tumor rested on his shoulders the skin had worn away and sores had come. No wonder he was irritable and cross. We told the mother that he would have to be operated upon, and perhaps he would not live; but we would do our best and pray to our God for him. She was very sad, but the father said, "He is growing worse all the time and will die if it keeps growing, so we want you to try; others have been helped here in this hospital and perhaps he can be cured." Dr. Ruth Hume operated the next day. The tumor came off easily and the boy grew well and strong quickly. The mass weighed nearly five pounds—just think of that little fellow carrying five pounds on the back of his head! No wonder he was weak and thin.

So the parents had come with the band, with garlands of flowers for our necks and wrists, with Indian candies and fruit—these were in the mysterious leafy bundles on the brass plates—to thank us as they took their boy, now well and happy, home. We also were happy to be able to help him.

Little Shiva is only one of the many children who come to us for help, and I, for one, am very glad to be here. I often think that we people here on the foreign field have the most joy in the work; but if the people at home who are giving the money which makes it possible to have hospitals and doctors and nurses out here,—if they could see and realize what great help they are giving to these poor, ignorant, sick people,—they, too, would rejoice. The hospital has been very full this season.

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## The Southern California Branch

THE Annual Meeting of the Southern Branch of the W. B. M. P. was held in Pilgrim Congregational Church at Pomona, April 5 and 6. It is a constant delight to see how many women want to attend a missionary meeting. Officers went as a matter of course. Delegates laid their plans days ahead, and those who could not go as delegates went anyhow, by trolley, by auto, by steam, until the large, entertaining church was well filled.

The gathering was held jointly with the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Home Missionary Union, Mrs. E. Y. Partridge, Secretary for the Branch, giving the joint reports of the auxiliaries. The universal note as given in these reports was one of joy in the increasing interest in missions, particularly among the young people. This happy condition is due largely to the labors of a strong Young People's Committee which keeps special objects before the Sunday schools and Christian Endeavor societies. Missionary superintendents are active also in the local schools, making regular appeals by story or some other special feature, in the hope of training the children to an intelligent understanding of the benevolence work of their denomination. A second cause for rejoicing is in the widespread interest in mission study classes, many churches numbering several such groups in each.

Notable addresses were given at the various sessions by Miss Gertrude Wyckoff, late of Pangchuang, China, who is at present making her home with her mother at San Gabriel; Miss Mary Porter, known and loved east and west for her devoted service for China; Miss Mary F. Long, who brought the latest news from storm-tossed Mexico; and Dr. H. H. Kelsey, Pacific Coast representative for the A. B. C. F. M. During one session, when the President, Mrs. J. H. Lash, asked all who had ever been en-

gaged in missionary work to come to the platform, more than twenty responded, representing almost every field of missionary effort.

Special honor was also accorded the mothers of missionaries, and among the six called to the platform were Mrs. C. C. Tracy, herself a devoted worker for forty-seven years in Turkey, and Mrs. O. V. Rice, mother of Miss Nina Rice, who still stands by her difficult post in Sivas. A remarkable letter was read from Miss Rice, telling, in striking figures, easily comprehensible to a Southern California audience, how her "oranges" had been almost destroyed by "frost," but that a little life was still left, and with care and the expenditure of time and money, it would "grow again" though the danger from "frost" was not yet altogether past.

An occasion of much joy during the meeting was the receipt of a telegram from the W. B. M. P., of greeting and of congratulation over the adoption of Miss Bertha Harding Allen by the Board, for work in the Union Kindergarten Training School at Foochow. Miss Allen is a strictly Southern California product, born in Pasadena, graduated at Pomona College in 1914, and at Los Angeles State Normal School in December, 1916. It is expected that she will enter upon her work in the fall.

## Our Kindergarten in Lintsingchow

By Minnie Case Ellis

Several of you have sent gifts directly to our kindergarten, and some of you have sent gifts that had no label. We have decided that the thing we need the most just now is a kindergarten building, and so what you have sent has gone, or is going, for this purpose. Please don't say to yourself, "My dollars won't build a house. Why don't they use it to put a child in school?" In the first place, we need a building to have a place where we can put children in school, so that they can have the very best start possible. In the second place we had six hundred dollars on hand, left over from previous building work. This was not enough to build the room we wanted, but the architect said that if we had just one hundred dollars more he would be willing to

authorize putting up the building this spring, and let us do the finishing and furnishing later, as we had the money. Your gifts made up the extra hundred, and so now we are to have the kindergarten home. Useful as such quarters would be in themselves six days in the week, we have planned to add to their usefulness by building them next to the church, that we may use them on Sunday for Sunday school, too. Won't that be fine?



Bringing Water

Our kindergarten history begins with the devoted kindergarten teacher who came out to us four years ago last fall. She loved her work at home, but when she heard that our girls' boarding school was soon to be without any one to care for it, she gave up her kindergarten teaching and came to us. Now another young lady has come to take charge of the school, and Miss Tallmon is free to give her time to the kindergarten and to other city work. Just about the time Miss Tallmon came to China, a charming young Chinese girl began the kindergarten course in the training school at Peking. She finished it and came back to us, and just a year ago Miss Tallmon and Miss Ma opened our kindergarten here, and it has been a growing source of joy ever since.

Everybody notices the kindergarten children. They are known up and down the street as the children who bow when they meet you, and say "Thank you," when they are given things. The Chinese appreciate courtesy, but they have very little idea of training children while they are very small in this art, or in any other for the most part, except that of getting their own way by howling for what they want. "Why don't you wash the child's face?" "Oh, he won't let me!" The elders seem to have a



"Everybody Notices the Kindergarten Children"

vague idea that when he is older the child will grow obedience and nice manners, just as he does his wisdom teeth. Some regard the things the children learn at kindergarten just as they do the tricks of a well-trained dog, but some see the real value of the training, and they and the children trained are the hope of the future.

All this winter the children have had their kindergarten studies in the church. It is big and cold in the winter, even with a stove, at least such a stove as we have. It isn't convenient to have the sand board and all the little chairs in the church on Sunday, and it isn't convenient to have to put them all away either, but this spring we are to have the new kindergarten building; and remember, if it had not been for your gifts we could not have had the convenient building we wanted, and that we are to have, the Lord willing.

## Our Field Correspondents

In the January *Life and Light* (page 23) Miss Clarke tells of Mnyembezi's downfall. We rejoice with her in this happy sequel to the story.

Miss Minnie Clarke writes from Mt. Silinda, Rhodesia, Africa :—

You ask about Mnyembezi—one of the girls I was grieving over last time I wrote to you. God is good, and He answers prayer, and of this we have had many proofs these days that have gone by since last I wrote. Mnyembezi is with me to-day; she is radiantly happy and blessed of God, inasmuch as she has whole-heartedly given herself to Him, confessing and forsaking her sins. God has most wonderfully shielded her from vice during all these wild days of her foolishness and rebellion against His love and call. She sailed through all sorts of dangers, but never came to shipwreck, and one evening she just came back to stay. The root of her trouble was a heathen lover who tried to entice her to forsake the Christian man whom she had promised to marry. But now she has put away all these things, and confessed to her lying and deceitful ways,—and there is not a happier girl at Silinda than Mnyembezi. She is reconciled to her promised husband, and will be married as soon as he returns from his work with sufficient money to build his house and settle down.

I expect you have heard of the wonderful and gracious revival which God has worked in the hearts of the pupils and other Christians at Silinda last term. Our hearts are just brimming over with praise to God for the power and working of the Holy Spirit who has manifested Himself amongst us as never before at this place. The work was chiefly amongst the Christians, though a number came to God for the first time during the special meetings which were held. The revival began at the Rusitu Mission of the South Africa General Mission, some forty-six miles to the north of us. The missionaries and Christians at this place were blessed by God and filled with the Holy Spirit, and God laid it upon their hearts to offer to come down to Silinda.

We at once asked them to do so, and set aside school work for a few days—to seek God and give Him an opportunity to work

amongst us. The Holy Spirit was present in power at the very first meeting; and there was a great breaking down of hard, proud hearts, and a mighty volume of confession of sin and crying for forgiveness and mercy went up to God. Then, as they yielded themselves altogether to God, and believed His word of grace—those who had been crying were filled with a great and wonderful joy, as the Holy Spirit filled their hearts, and brought to them deliverance from sin, and the assurance of forgiveness, and peace and love and faith. Oh! it was wonderful to see God work; just God alone in the mighty power of His Spirit, and to see the burdens of prayer which had been heavy upon my heart for many months past so graciously answered and rolled away. Only the answers were so much greater than the petitions! That is God's way of working! Truly His thoughts are higher than our thoughts, and His ways are wonderful.

Now we are so glad for the girls and boys, and the men and women who have been delivered and helped and blessed, and for their bright faces and witness, and for their changed ways and spirit. It was wonderful to hear them witness to what God had done for them; and now that the school has closed, and they are scattered far and wide in their heathen homes, surely this witness of the Spirit of God cannot fail to bring light to many dark hearts. But they are in great need of our constant prayers, for they are surrounded by awful temptations: and many will be laughed at and persecuted as they try to please God and to forsake all heathen customs. God is able to keep them, if only they look continually to Him, and are willing to obey His voice.

Miss Elizabeth Ward writes from Osaka, Japan:—

This is the week intervening between the close of examinations in our Baikwa School and Commencement. I came back this morning for the last practice and preparations for to-morrow,—Commencement. The alumnae meeting begins at ten, dinner together and then the exercises in the afternoon. We have a class of twenty-three this year, twenty in the four years' course, one from the special English course, one from the regular two years' English course, and one from the domestic course. One of the girls is the daughter of one of our Japanese pastors. She

has been with us six years. She has been teaching in the Infant Class of our Sunday school near us here, and Miss McKowan and I think she shows so much skill with little children that we are going to send her on to Miss Howe's Glory Kindergarten next year, defraying the expense from private funds. We cannot afford to lose her from that work or even to wait a year until support can be found for her somewhere.

Kobe College has its fortieth anniversary the 28th and 29th (March) and I hope to spend one day there and one in Kyoto before going on to Matsuyama for vacation.

Miss Minnie A. Tontz writes from Mount Silinda, Rhodesia :—

The Christmas season was a happy one here, as it brought to us thoughts of our loved ones at home as well as a greater love for our brothers and sisters of this land. After the Christmas service, where two hundred of us met, we had our simple dinner out under a big tree. I have now spent three happy Christmases in Africa.

Since then eight weeks of school have passed. We have a large school this term. There are over two hundred and seventy pupils, the largest enrollment we have ever had. There are so many pupils that when we meet for the opening exercises some of the little boys and girls sit on the floor, but they do not mind that, for that is what they do in their own homes. I wish you could see the bright faces of our little ones. We have added another native teacher, so we have formed another class. We are quite up-to-date in having out-of-door classes, though we are not doing it for that reason! It is because there is not room enough in the building for all the classes.

A telegram received April 17 reported Miss Prescott and Miss Dunning as safely out of Parral and waiting at El Paso. Under date of April 20, Miss Dunning writes of the circumstances of their leaving :—

At last we were forced to leave, as you already know. When the Americans went out they were followed by the angry populace. We were strongly advised to leave as soon as we could, and as a train came down to Jimenez at noon we knew that there would be one returning a little later. We simply got together the most needful things and finally reached Jimenez before dark and waited there

till the next night at nine for a train. We stood up nearly all night. We reached Chihuahua at eleven the next morning and Juarez at two Sunday morning, so very grateful that the journey was safely passed. We were the only Americans all the way up, but no discourtesy was shown us in any way, on the contrary all were very sympathetic.

## Distressing Day for Relief Worker

One of the Y. W. C. A. secretaries, now in Constantinople, writes of the cases of need which throng her office, many of which she has no funds to aid.

This has been a dreadful day in my office, where I have been doing the industrial work with the poor women of the city. There are upon my lists now 137 names of women and girls who come regularly for work. This morning I have had to turn away fourteen who came well recommended because money is not sufficient to keep those already on the file in work. These whom I could not take to-day are from Scutari, Proti and up the Golden Horn. Four of them were Greeks, the others Armenians. All said they must have work of some kind, and wept when I turned them away. A boy of fifteen came to beg for three sisters, neighbors of his, whom I had turned away last week. He said they had literally nothing to eat, and did not come themselves because they had not the boat fare. Three of the women were widows, made so by the war, and said they had sold everything and now must die. They aggregated fourteen children,—all with nothing to eat. Among the workers are two sisters, whose house and all their property was destroyed by bombardment. They left their old father and two small children and came on here for work. They are sending money to their friends as well as trying to take care of themselves. One girl has eight in family, her father an old man who mends shoes, but can get no work. I gave her forty-seven piasters (a piaster is worth between four and five cents) for two weeks' work on torchon lace.

Prayer  
at Noontide



Encircling  
the Earth

AROUND THE COUNCIL TABLE WITH OUR PRESIDENT

### Situations Somewhere

“Please tell us what to do and how to do it,” says the woman who plans the Institute. That is surely a *carte blanche* order. How to fill it with any degree of pertinent concreteness—that is the question.

What would you say to visualizing before the Institute’s eyes a few situations liable to occur, of which the following are samples, suggestions being appended:—

1. Here is a church with a Ladies’ Aid but no missionary society, and the Branch Organizer covets a new society there for Jubilee Increase. Apply the policy of a sympathetic and gradual approach. Let one aid, known to the Organizer (she will usually know *one*), take from her the story of that particular need which their Branch is struggling to meet with its golden gift, and carry it right into the sewing meeting to tell as the rest sew; then let her offer the gift box to be passed at every meeting until the celebration. Next month she will secure a hearing for further Jubilee Increase information and can even propose the full, new program to follow a luncheon some day. Will a new society evolve? I think so.

2. Is the pulse slow in the woman’s missionary society. Membership, gifts, interest, all need a tonic. Prescription: Work up the *Jubilee Increase Program* and precede the appointed day by a vigorous Every Woman Canvass.

3. A strong, healthy senior society, but girls in their teens unorganized. This is just the crisis which the Girls’ Jubilee plans hope to meet. The Junior Lookout now has a fitting opportunity to make a stroke, and if she send promptly to the Board rooms for the material, she can set the girls to work for a splendid rally, out of which may grow—who knows?—something good for which we wait.

4. Are the babies growing up without the educational advantages of a cradle roll—and they so innocent of their loss! I saw recently the photographs of cradle roll babies, framed with their names and hung on the Primary room wall of a Brooklyn church. That is a pretty idea, but the names alone will do, and then the annual party must not be forgotten when the young mothers come and guide tiny hands in throwing their cradles of pennies into the big cradle. A cradle roll counts for the 500.

5. The young women—yes, of course. That *is* common. But the tide is rolling in. Here again, Jubilee ideas will serve. So will one delegate sent to Northfield, Ocean Park or Silver Bay. It is worth fifteen or even thirty dollars to have her there, for she comes home to enthuse the rest.

6. The situation best known of all is that of unconcern about finding the missionary candidate. It is quite practicable for officers of the society to enter into a league and set about a quest with the pastor, possibly the Bible school superintendent, in the prayerful expectation that one young woman may be found to add to the honor roll and to enrich the church life, as missionaries are always doing.

A teacher asked the class to draw circles free hand. No child was marked above six on a scale of ten, except Viola. "Tell the children, Viola, how you drew such a good circle and got ten for it," said teacher. "I thought a circle," said blushing little Viola, "and when I had thought it, I drew a line around the think."

That is a great principle of Viola's, is it not? So it seems to me we can meet situations better after we have "thought" them.

M. L. D.

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#### If Not, Why Not?

In a searching letter recently addressed to Englishmen by the Earl of Derby, a pertinent query was put: "Does the reason you have hitherto held valid as one for not enlisting hold good in the present crisis?"

In view of the world situation to-day in the matter of the extension of Christ's kingdom, have you who may read this a valid reason for not having taken your place in the Jubilee Forward Movement? Have you enlisted? If not, why not?

—*The Missionary Friend.*

# Ways of Working

## “A Trip Around the World”

By Georgia S. Root

The writer of this spicy article will be better known as Mrs. E. Tallmudge Root, of Somerville, Mass. Mrs. Root gave very helpful program suggestions at our Friday meeting in Pilgrim Hall, January 7.

“To be or not to be,” that was the question that confronted our missionary committee as it met in some perplexity to consider the best way of becoming acquainted with *The King's Highway*.

The question under discussion was the study class. It had not proved a brilliant success under that name two years before, for only a dozen attended, and they, already rooted and grounded in missions, would have studied the book anyway. To be sure the programs, resulting from this class, had been passed on in a popular way to a fairly large audience at our prayer meetings every other month, but we desired that the members of our Woman's Union should have a closer touch with the textbook than this plan afforded.

Nor were we satisfied with the next year's plan of a course of lectures on the textbook, for only seventeen attended these. But ingenuity and perseverance said, “where there's a will, there's a way” and the “way” for this textbook seemed to be indicated by Mrs. Montgomery's suggestion that after all “women are but children of a larger growth” and might like to “pretend” as well as the many “Jacks and Janets” who were gaily tripping around the world.

“Let's,” said the Committee enthusiastically—and we did.

A plan for inviting a goodly number without much labor on the part of some poor overworked sister was evolved as follows. The chairman studied the parish directory and made a chain list of some one hundred and twenty names. Then she wrote to each of the five ladies on the committee:—

MY DEAR MRS. B.:—

You are cordially invited to take a trip around the world along the *King's Highway*. The party will start promptly at 3 p. m., from the Prospect Hill Church, Tuesday, February 8.

A personal conductor in charge of each trip—Egypt, the first tarrying place. Tickets five cents each, with a stop-off for refreshments.

Kindly copy this letter for the five ladies named below, remembering that if you break the chain some one will fail of an invitation.

Sincerely yours,

P. S.—Please ask each of these ladies to write a copy for the two whose names are bracketed with hers, each of these in turn to the one indicated.

A poster gaily decorated and hung in a public place announced the trip. The afternoon for the start arrived and a goodly number sailed out on the sea of Imagination, singing "America," as we gazed with tear-dimmed (?) eyes upon the fast receding shores of our beloved homeland. We found our steamer commodious and comfortable, and made a swift and prosperous voyage, tracing our path by a ribbon drawn along the large world map purchased of the A. B. C. F. M.

The most encouraging part of the trip was that not a single lady refused her share of responsibility. Seven accepted the position of personal conductor, thus lending the variety of a different personality to each trip. Each of these seven arranged her own program, selecting her helpers for the travel part as well as for the refreshments, which were supposed to correspond with the country visited. Two of our Sunday school girls assisted each time at the refreshment table.

We had geography with all the wonderful sights of each country pointed out as we traveled, we had history and biography as we rested at our hotel in the evening. Some of the native women came in and spoke to us, as a Moslem woman in Egypt who spoke so appealingly as to bring tears to the eyes, or an eloquent Chinese mother with her little daughter "Water Lily," who recited "Mother Goose." We had songs, too, "America, the Beautiful," when we felt a little homesick as we steamed through the Red Sea, "India, dark India" after our visit to the heathen temple at Madura, and also the song composed especially for *The King's Highway*.

A sea captain's wife chanced to be one of our party and furnished curios from each country—ostrich plumes, lace, ornaments

and dates from Egypt; articles of native workmanship from India, wonderfully embroidered fabrics from Java, contributing also some of her experiences in these far-away places. In Egypt we ate stuffed dates, sweet sandwiches and drank coffee; in India we tried to like curried rice, but preferred our tea and sweet-meats; in China we had Chinese dainties and tea—and we are all wondering what we shall enjoy (?) in Korea and Japan, for we have these countries yet to anticipate.

But shall I tell you the happiest fact of our trip? We have not only discovered new countries, new customs, new needs and new friends, but far better than these—latent talents that we knew not of among our members. We have discovered splendid readers, impersonators, soloists, writers, and feel as rich as Columbus when he discovered America, or that other explorer who shouted “Eureka” over the gold mines of great wealth.

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The thousand children who attended the May Festival this year enjoyed a journey around the world which is worth repetition in local churches. The service began with the sounding of the ship's gong and the appearance of the captain (coupon tickets having previously been punched by the pursers). The chaplain conducted prayers on the way across the Atlantic; then as the vessel reached Egypt, a competent guide was put in charge of the party, which visited Alexandria, Bombay, Tientsin and Yokohama. A Moslem school, a Hindu holy man, a Marathi J. C. E. Society on its way with an Indian pastor to preach in a Hindu village, Chinese street scenes, and a Japanese temple incident were a few of the many interesting events. A detailed account of this journey may be secured from Exchange Bureau by anyone wishing to repeat it.

# Junior Department

## Camp Fires and Their Relation to Missions

By Katharine A. Pollard

Your family physician calls and after carefully looking you over, sums up his diagnosis by "you need a change." You are glad one in authority has spoken, for you have known all the time that something was wrong with your days and that you do feel the need of a change.

For the growing girl, or girl in her early teens, the physician almost never prescribes "a change." He knows the nature of that age and that change is a part of its very life. To-day Marjorie is in a serious vein, given to introspection, and to-morrow she is bubbling over with animal life and appears to be many years younger.

Happy is that guardian who can "keep step" with her girls in their varying moods and changes. The Camp Fire organization in itself has partially met this need in its changing manual, but not wholly. The Camp Fire movement has now been in existence over five years; during that period many changes for the better have been made, but it still leaves undeveloped a part of every girl's life.

Guardians now starting on their third or fourth year of Camp Fire work are confronted with more difficult problems than the first year guardian. The girls have won most of the honors, have gone on camping expeditions in the summer, have studied exhaustively one of the many arts,—basketry, brass work, leather work, and so forth. It has all been splendid and fine; the girls have been happy and satisfied; but suddenly the spirit of change comes in and the girls are demanding "what next?"

So close and intimate is the relation of girl and guardian that the latter may always be the leading spirit herself and may sway her group at will, for she knows all sides of her girls, knows them in the quiet, serious hour of the ceremonial meeting, and knows them in their work, and best of all in their play. There-

fore it is for her to say whether she shall emphasize the educational side, the recreational side or the spirit of service.

I have known many Camp Fires, I have seen them start and have watched them grow. It is a joy to see young women all over the country giving their time in the busy week days to the service of growing girls, but when the question has been recently asked of these guardians, "What connection has your group with any church or church work?" the answer has been in many cases, "None, except what is prescribed under patriotism."

You, guardian, are really taking all the time and activities of your girls outside of school and home. What about the Sunday school teacher and the missionary leader? With a Camp Fire meeting one day or night a week, the girls are truly giving all the time to organization work that they should outside of their school work.

A mother objects, and rightfully, to more than one meeting a week outside of Sunday for her busy girl. Then what are you going to do with Sunday school plans for your girls or mission study classes—must they be given up? That is for you to say.

"But," you reply, "my girls won't attend a mission study class."

Try them, Camp Fire guardians,—in the same enthusiastic spirit in which you have asked them to come to the basketry class.

In these enlightened times, in these dreadful days of Christian martyrs on foreign fields and crying needs of our brothers and sisters over the seas, there never has been in our generation more to call forth from the girls the heroic spirit of sacrifice and the desire to give of their service and money. So I ask you, as one guardian to another, be fair to the Sunday school teacher in your girls' church, be fair to the missionary leader who wants her meagre share of your girls' time.

And what of that question "what next?"

Second, third and fourth year guardians, keep your Camp Fires still burning, but quietly introduce the missionary spirit. First to know, then to give. One meeting a month devoted to this object and you will be surprised at the development in the

very girls who would never belong to a mission study class before.

If your group of girls is attending the same church, ask the Missionary Circle leader to take one evening or afternoon a month with your Camp Fire. If your girls are not associated with any one church, a missionary hero or the work and needs of some foreign field may constitute a program for the guardian herself to use.

When at a recent state meeting (missionary) the treasurer reported our Camp Fire as the only one in the state to contribute to both home and foreign missions, I felt as though there was a wrong to be righted somewhere. But the reports will not be the same another year, for Camp Fires are awakening to their opportunities, and guardians in many New England States have just written me of money raised for missionary purposes this year.

There is a splendid broad work being done in dozens of Camp Fires, and it is a joy to have reports from these. One Camp Fire reports that some of its girls are about to unite with the church as a direct result of the "Church Craft" used. Another that her girls are contributing to a special missionary in India. And in every case these Camp Fires have developed the recreational and the educational side also, and have made plans for better things for the coming year.

Send for *Camp Fire Girls in Our Churches* (free), a compilation of "tried" methods contributed by a number of guardians. It also contains the items of a practicable "Church Craft."

A Camp Fire in Berlin, Conn., recently wrote and gave a missionary pageant, starting with a Camp Fire scene, and illustrating by foreign scenes the laws of the Camp Fire. A copy of this may be borrowed from our Exchange Bureau upon application.

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*Martha Tinker Reynolds*: Published by the Woman's Board of Missions. A sketch of the life of Mrs. Dr. Reynolds of Van, Turkey. Edited by Miss Grace H. Knapp. In this brief story of a life of remarkable achievement we become acquainted with Mrs. Reynolds in her early life at Old Lyme, Conn.; her education at Mt. Holyoke Seminary; her graduation in 1859, and her marriage ten years later to Dr.

**A Memorial  
Booklet.**

George C. Reynolds, and her entrance upon her strenuous life in Turkey. When the atrocities inflicted on the Armenians by the Turks filled the streets of Van with starving children, Dr. and Mrs. Reynolds started an orphanage with fifty children, and during the following twenty years nearly a thousand children passed through the institution.

This inspiring account of what one woman made of life can be obtained from the W. B. M. for 10 cents a copy. G. H. C.

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*New Haven Branch.*—Miss Edith Woolsey, Treas., 250 Church St., New Haven. Int. on deposit for Inanda, 25.40; Int. on invested funds, 28; Friend in mem. of Catherine T. Sterling, 100; Friend, 25; Miss Bessie L. Comstock, 26; Bethlehem,

Aux., 10; Black Rock, C. E. Soc., 10; Branford, M. C., 1; Bridgeport, First Ch., King's Messengers, 10.25, Olivet Ch., Aux., 26, South Ch., Aux., 50, West End Ch., Aux. (50 of wh. to const. L. M's Mrs. Olivia C. Banks, Mrs. Edward Griffith), 75; Brookfield Center, Aux., 20, S. S., 3; Centerbrook, Aux. (with prev. contri. to const. L. M. Mrs. James Burnett), 13; Chester, Aux., 71, Lend-A-Hand Cir., 5; Cornwall, First Ch., Aux., 25; Cromwell, Aux., 45, Earnest Workers, 20; Deep River, Aux., 20; Derby, First Ch., Aux., 48, Second Ch., Aux., 25; East Haddam, C. E. Soc., 13; East Haven, Aux. (to const. L. M's Mrs. F. F. Burton, Mrs. George E. Poirot, Mrs. F. A. Scranton, Mrs. Susan Thompson), 100; Easton, Aux., 1.10; Ellsworth, Aux., 15.50; Guilford, Third Ch., 5; Ivoryton, Aux. (with prev. contri. to const. L. M's Miss Florence Champlin, Miss Elizabeth Chapman, Mrs. Amelia Miller, Miss Amelia Miller, Mrs. F. Howard Stickney), 77.50, Ready Workers, 2.48, C. R., 5; Killingworth, Aux., 1.40; Litchfield, Y. L. M. C., 143; Meriden, First Ch., C. E. Soc., 15, C. R., 8; Middlebury, Mizpah Cir., 10; Middle Haddam, Aux., 10, C. E. Soc., 5; Middletown, First Ch., Aux., 63.74, C. E. Soc., 25, Third Ch., Busy Bees, 5; Milford, First Ch., Aux., 15, Jr. Beehive, 5; Mount Carmel, Aux. (25 of wh. to const. L. M. Mrs. Wilbur Ives), 46; Naugatuck, Aux., 11, Little Helpers, 13, Finding Out Club, 1; New Canaan, Aux., 429; New Hartford, Aux., 10; New Haven, Center Ch., Aux., 875.33, Y. L. M. C., 165, S. S., 20, Ch. of the Redeemer, Aux., 188, Y. L. M. C., 85, S. S., 16, Prim. S. S., 5, City Missions, Mothers, 25, Dwight Place Ch., 25, Aux., 60, Y. W. Guild, 25, Grand Ave. Ch., Aux., 70, Evening Cir. Aux., 72, Humphrey St. Ch., Aux., 110.18, Pilgrim Ch., Aux., 48, Y. L. M. C., 15, Plymouth Ch., Aux. (75 of wh. to const. L. M's Mrs. S. B. Oviatt, Mrs. L. E. Pangburn, Mrs. Andrew G. Smith), 150, S. S., 50, United Ch., Friend, 50, Aux., 525, Loani Cir., 35, Aloha Cir., 2, Worth While Club, 1, Montgomery Aux., 7.50, Welcome Hall, Lend-A-Hand, 10, Light Bearers, 10, Girls' League, 6, C. R., 2, Yale College Ch., Aux., 200.50; New Milford, Aux., 12.75, Philathea Cir., 35, Golden Links, 20; Newtown, 36; Norfolk, Whatsoever Cir., 10; North Madison, Aux., 8.10; North Stamford, Aux., 9; North Woodbury, Aux., 17.50; Norwalk, Aux., 37.80; Orange, Aux., 50; Ridgefield, Aux., 6.25; Roxbury, Aux., 17.20; Salisbury, C. E. Soc., 5; Saybrook, Aux., 55.97; Seymour, Miss. Study Club, 30; Sharon, Aux., 50; Shelton, Aux.,

75; South Britain, Aux., 30; South Norwalk, Aux., 50; Southport, Aux., 63; Stamford, Aux., 42.56; Stanwich, Aux., 15; Stony Creek, Aux. (to const. L. M. Mrs. Anna Anderson), 25; Stratford, Aux., 17, Miss. League, 10; Thomaston, First Ch., 15, Aux., 33; Torrington, Aux., 18; Trumbull, Aux., 52; Washington, Aux., 41, C. E. Soc., 10; Waterbury, Bunker Hill Ch., 25, First Ch., Aux., 4, Second Ch., 160, Aux., 18.65, Dau. of Cov., 5; Watertown, Aux. (50 of wh. to const. L. M's Mrs. Alanson Atwood, Mrs. Fletcher Judson), 60, Dau. of Cov., 10, Earnest Workers, 5; Westbrook, Aux., 3, C. E. Soc., 15; Westchester, C. E. Soc., 10; West Haven, Aux., 80, Jr. C. E. Soc., 5; Westport, Aux., 16.50; Westville, Ch., 54, Carry the News, 5, C. E. Soc., 2; Whitneyville, Aux., 51, Y. L. M. C., 6.70; Wilton, Aux., 60; Winsted, First Ch., Aux., 14.20, Second Ch., C. E. Soc., 15; Woodbridge, Aux., 48, Delta Alpha Soc., 5,

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Total, 7,238 69

## NEW YORK.

*New York State Branch.*—Mrs. F. M. Turner, Treas., 646 St. Mark's Ave., Brooklyn. Angola, S. S., Beginners' Dept., 2; Aquebogue, Aux., 14; Arcade, Aux., 5; Baiting Hollow, C. E. Soc., 12.50; Barryville, Aux., 5; Berkshire, Aux., 17; Binghamton, East Side Ch., Aux., 30, First Ch., Aux., 100; Blooming Grove, Kyle Miss. Soc., 31.10; Briarcliff Manor, Aux., 55; Bridgewater, Aux., 15; Brooklyn, Mr. Charles A. Clark, 3, Central Ch., Aux., 550.42, Woman's Guild of Service, 10, Ch. of the Evangel, Aux., 100, Ch. of the Pilgrims, Guild, 100, Clinton Ave. Ch., Guild, 180.77, Nazarene Ch., Aux., 4.44, Park Ch., Aux., 12.79, Plymouth Ch., Guild, 200, Puritan Chapel, Aux., 10, Jr. S. S., 5, Dau. of Cov., 10, Pansy Cir., 2, Forget-me-not Band, 5, Inter. C. E., Soc., 4, Richmond Hill Ch., Aux., 20, S. S., 20, C. R., 6.25, South Ch., Ladies' Benev. Soc., 25, Tompkins Ave. Ch., Union, 200, In mem. of Mrs. George C. Stebbins, 25, Pilgrim League, 1; Brooklyn Hills, Aux., 6.25, S. S., 5; Buffalo, First Ch., Elizabeth Crosby, 3, Guild, 40, S. S., 35, Woman's Cl., 3, Jr. Cir., 10; Camden, W. M. S., 20; Chenango Forks, Aux., 5; Churchville, Aux., 25; Cincinnati, W. M. S., 10.60, S. S., 6.12, C. R., 1; Copenhagen, Aux., 6.05, Jr. M. B., 4.75; Danby, C. E. Soc., 2.70; Deansboro, Aux., 8, Dau. of Cov., 15; De Ruyter, Aux., 5; Ellington, Aux., 11.25; Flushing, Prim. Dept., S. S., 5.64; Franklin, Aux., 50; Fulton, Aux., 5; Gloversville, Aux., 25; Hamilton,

Prim. Dept., S. S., 2; Henrietta, Aux., 10; Homer, Aux., 53.36; Honoye, Miss. Soc., 10; Ithaca, Beginners and Prim. Dept., S. S., 6; Lockport, East Ave. Ch., King's Guild, 5; Mannsville, Aux., 15.50, Miss. League, 1.70; Massena, Aux., 6.25; Middletown, North Ch., Aux., 9.80, S. S., 5, C. E. Soc., 2.50, Jr. C. E. Soc., 3; Moravia, Aux., 6; Morris-town, Aux., 32.83; Morrisville, Aux., 20; Newark Valley, Carry the News Club, 5; Newburgh, C. E. Soc., 10; New York, Bedford Park Ch., Aux., 5, Bethany Ch., Soc. Woman's Work, 3, Manhattan Ch., Guild, 132, Mt. Vernon, First Ch., Aux., 16.75, North New York Ch., Aux., 20, Pilgrim Ch., Ladies' Aid, 20, Trinity Ch., Aux., 10; Niagara Falls, First Ch., Aux., 15; Northfield, Aux., 21; Norwich, Aux., 35, Norwood, Aux., 11; Oneida, Chenango and Delaware Assoc., Miss. Institutes, 13.50; Oriskany Falls, Aux., 7; Orwell, Aux., 5; Phenix, Aux., 35; Port Leyden, Aux., 25; Poughkeepsie, Aux. (154.64 in mem. of Margaret C. Dudley), 204.64, C. E. Soc., 5; Randolph, Aux., 10; Rensselaer Falls, Aux., 3.65; Richville, Cross Cir., 15; Riverhead, Sound Ave. Ch., S. S., 5; Rochester, South Ch., Aux., 23, Ma Dwe Cir., 10; Rodman, Aux., 20; Rutland, Aux., 11; Salamanca, Aux., 20; Sandy Creek, Aux., 10; Schenectady, Pilgrim Ch., Aux., 10; Sherrill, Aux., 7.50, C. E. Soc., 8; Sidney, Jr. C. E. Soc., 1.50; Syracuse, Danforth Ch., Young Ladies' Assoc., 20, Good Will Ch., Aux., 72, Prim. Dept., S. S., 10, C. R., 1, Plymouth Ch., Philaetha Cl., 5, South Ave. Ch., Pilgrim Sisters, 5; Tallman, Aux., 5; Watertown, Emmanuel Ch., Ladies' Aid Soc., 16.28, S. S., 5, Prim. Dept., 3.40, Girls' M. B., 3, Boys' M. B., 4; West Winfield, Aux., 34.15, S. S., 30; White Plains, Woman's Soc., 155. Less expenses, 100,

3,305 94

## PHILADELPHIA BRANCH.

*Philadelphia Branch.*—Miss Martha N. Hooper, Treas., 1475 Columbia Road, Washington, D. C. D. C., Washington, First Ch., Miss. Club, 150, Mt. Pleasant Ch., Aux., 125; Fla., Avon Park, Woman's Miss. Soc., 18; Jacksonville, Aux., 25; Mt. Dora, Aux., 17.50; St. Petersburg, Ch., 10, Aux., 9; Tavares, H. M. S., 10; West Palm Beach, Aux., 11; Winter Park, Aux., 18.25; Ga., Atlanta, Aux., 21.66; N. J., Chester, W. M. S., 5; Glen Ridge, Aux., 25; Montclair, Watchung Ave. Ch., 29; Upper Montclair, Aux., 133.50; Pa., Glenolden, Aux., 5; Philadelphia, Park Ch., 20; through Treas. W. H. M. U. of Fla., West Palm Beach, Y. W. Guild, 5. Less expenses, 120.91,

517 00

HAWAII.

Honolulu.—Mrs. Theodore Richards, 100 00

CHINA.

Foochow.—Girls' College, Jr. and Sr. C. E. Socs., 30 00

Donations, \$16,497 45  
Buildings, 4,126 14  
Specials, 160 64

Total, \$20,784 23

TOTAL FROM OCT. 18, 1915, TO APR. 30, 1916

Donations, \$63,142 61  
Buildings, 28,996 12  
Specials, 1,179 32  
Legacies, 13,878 60

Total, \$107,196 65

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY GIFT.

Previously reported, \$143,350 00  
Receipts of the month, 4,126 14

Total, \$147,476 14

Woman's Board for the Pacific

Receipts for March and April, 1916

MRS. W. W. FERRIER, Treasurer, 2716 Hillegass Ave., Berkeley, Cal.

March.

CALIFORNIA.

*Northern California Branch.*—Mrs. Arthur W. Moore, Treas., 415 Pacific Ave., Piedmont. Gift of Friend, 10; Berkeley, First, Cradle Roll, 50 cts.; Bowles, 1.12; Campbell, 5; Grass Valley, 4.29; Kenwood, 1.44; Martinez, 3.28; Oakland, Myrtle St., 1.87, Plymouth, 36, Olivet, 36 cts.; First, 130, Pilgrim, 20, Cradle Roll, 50 cts.; Palermo, 92 cts.; Palo Alto, 12.50; Pescadero, 1.26; Rocklin, 60 cts.; Sonoma, 6.25; San Francisco, Mission, 7.50; San Juan, 1; Personal Gift, 25; Personal Gift, 5, 274 39

*Southern California Branch.*—Miss Emily M. Barrett, Treas., 178 Center St., Pasadena. Avalon, 9; Calexico, 5; Chula Vista, 22.50; Claremont, 207.50, Hath-a-way Club, 20, College Y. W. C. A., 40, Mrs. Renwick, 10; Eagle Rock, 5; Escondido, 20; Etiwanda, 10; Highland, 33, Cradle Roll, 5.50; La Mesa, Central, 8; Lemon Grove, 11; Long Beach, 34.75; Los Angeles, Berean, 5, First, 595.27, Y. W. Guild, 12.43, Garvanza, 15, Messiah, 20, S. S., 15, Park, 17.50, Pico Heights, 25, Plymouth, 10, Trinity, 10, Vernon, 70, Cradle Roll, 8, West End, 8; Maricopa, 13.25; Monrovia, 5; Mt. Hollywood, 20; Oneonta Park, 12.50; Ontario, 95; Pasadena, First, 11.31, Senior C. E., 15, Mrs. Call's Class, 5, Lake Ave., 98, Pilgrim, 20.25, West Side, 10, Mrs. Atkinson's Class, 5; Pomona, 80; Rialto, 12.50; Riverside, 155; Redlands, 150; Santa Ana, 71.70; Santa Barbara, 19.20; San Diego, First, 39.75, Mission Hills, 23.75; Sierra Madre, 15; Whittier, 35; Wil-lowbrook, 2, 2,166 66

OREGON.

*Oregon Branch.*—Mrs. A. L. Cake, Treas., 421 West Park St., Portland. Ashland, 24.90; Ashland, 22; Portland, First, 35.75; Waverly Heights, 10, 92 65

WASHINGTON.

*Washington Branch.*—Miss Estelle Roberts, Treas., 1211 22d Ave., Seattle. Anacortes, 1.20; Bellingham, First, 12, S. S., 4.87; Blaine, 1.12; Colville, 10; Edmonds, 1; Granite Falls, 76 cts.; Kirkland, 50 cts.; Lower Naches, 5; Seattle, Pilgrim S. S., 7.50, Plymouth, 56, Prospect, 18, University S. S., 75; Spokane, Cannon Hill S. S., 10, Westminster, 40; Tacoma, First, 100; Washougal, 3, S. S., 7.25, 353 20

Total, 2,886 90

April.

CALIFORNIA.

*Northern California Branch.*—Mill Valley, 1.06; Oakland, First, 46, Calvary, 5.62, Pilgrim, 1, Cradle Roll, 50 cts., Plymouth, 36; Paradise, 1.25; Rio Vista, 12.60; San Jose, 100; Stockton, Cradle Roll, 1.75; Sunnyvale, 4.50, 210 28

*Southern California Branch.*—Los Angeles, Olivet, 50 cts.; Pasadena, First, 50, Baraca Class, 5; Redlands, 50; Santa Barbara, 9.30, 114 00

OREGON.

*Oregon Branch.*—Laurelwood, 2.50; Forest Grove, 25; Atkinson Memorial, 11; Gaston, 9; Sunnyside, 7.05; Park Place, 1.70; Portland, First, 99.39, 155 64

UTAH.

*Utah Branch.*—Mrs. Geo. Brown, Treas., Sandy. Salt Lake City, 21.25; Provo, 5, 26 25

WASHINGTON.

*Washington Branch.*—Kennebec, 80 cts.; Ritzville, Phila. German, 10; Seattle, Greenlake, 2, Keystone, 6, West, 6; Spokane, Swedish Tabernacle, 5; Tacoma, First, S. S., 25; Vancouver, First, 1, 37 00

Total, \$543 17



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