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thanksgiving for the "example of courage and devotion to duty exhibited by Thy servant Edith Cavell and by all those who in imitation of Thy Son our Saviour have willingly given their lives that others might be saved." Then the prayer from the burial service, "We give Thee hearty thanks for the good examples of all those Thy Servants, who having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labours."

Following the prayers all joined in the singing of *Nearer, My God, to Thee*, after which came a most fitting simple address by the Rev. H. A. Edwards, chaplain of the park, on "What went ye out into the wilderness to see" in which he spoke of the character forma-

tion in Norwich Cathedral environment where Edith Cavell, in a quiet life, had so learned "to do my duty in that state of life unto which it shall please God to call me," that when her trial time came she was fitted to do her part in the world tragedy of which she became the woman center. Then came, but with a new and deeper meaning, the singing of *Abide with me, fast falls the eventide*, the last words she heard on earth, for the Embassy chaplain wrote "I found Miss Cavell perfectly calm and resigned. We received the Sacrament together. At the close of the little service I began to repeat the word of *Abide with me*. She joined in softly to the end. The memory of this service will long abide.

Among Miners' Homes in Virginia

The "Little Deaconess" Goes In and Out Carrying Help and Comfort

By Deaconess Blanche Adams, U. T. O.

KEOKEE is a coal mining camp on the top of the Appalachian Mountains in Virginia which has been in operation since 1907, I believe. For the last two years it has ceased working. Many miners remain. The company allows them to live in their cottages rent free. Amongst these I am privileged to work, visiting them in sickness, helping to clothe and feed them and giving them all the comfort I can.

These people live in "Raw Hide," "Cloven Fork," "Crab Orchard," "Moccasin," etc. I can visit them in summer, but the roads (?) or mud tracks are inaccessible during winter. But these dear hardy people brave mud and wind to come and see me, bringing an offering of potatoes, cabbage, canned fruit or butter, sometimes a dressed chicken. One I had for my Christmas dinner. Can you imagine my solitary grandeur seated at my dining table in the kitchen—I had no dining room—carving my noble bird!

The sewing classes for girls and mothers held twice a week have been greatly enjoyed and very profitable, judging from the neat little dresses the children wear. On these occasions I read aloud some interesting books, winding up our meetings with tea and cakes. Our Sunday School, too, is on a good firm basis, and the children are pleased to stay to the Church services, learning to find their places in the Prayer Book.

Last winter we had the coldest weather for many years. Once I nearly got sick with the cold. One morning getting up to light the fires I stumbled about and felt faint, but the beautiful words came to me "I am with you. Be strong," and strength and gratitude came and oh how thankful I felt! It is wonderful to be a U. T. O. worker. I know the prayers of the good Woman's Auxiliary have been abundantly answered in my life. The boxes, gifts, books and kind letters received are most wonderfully helpful.