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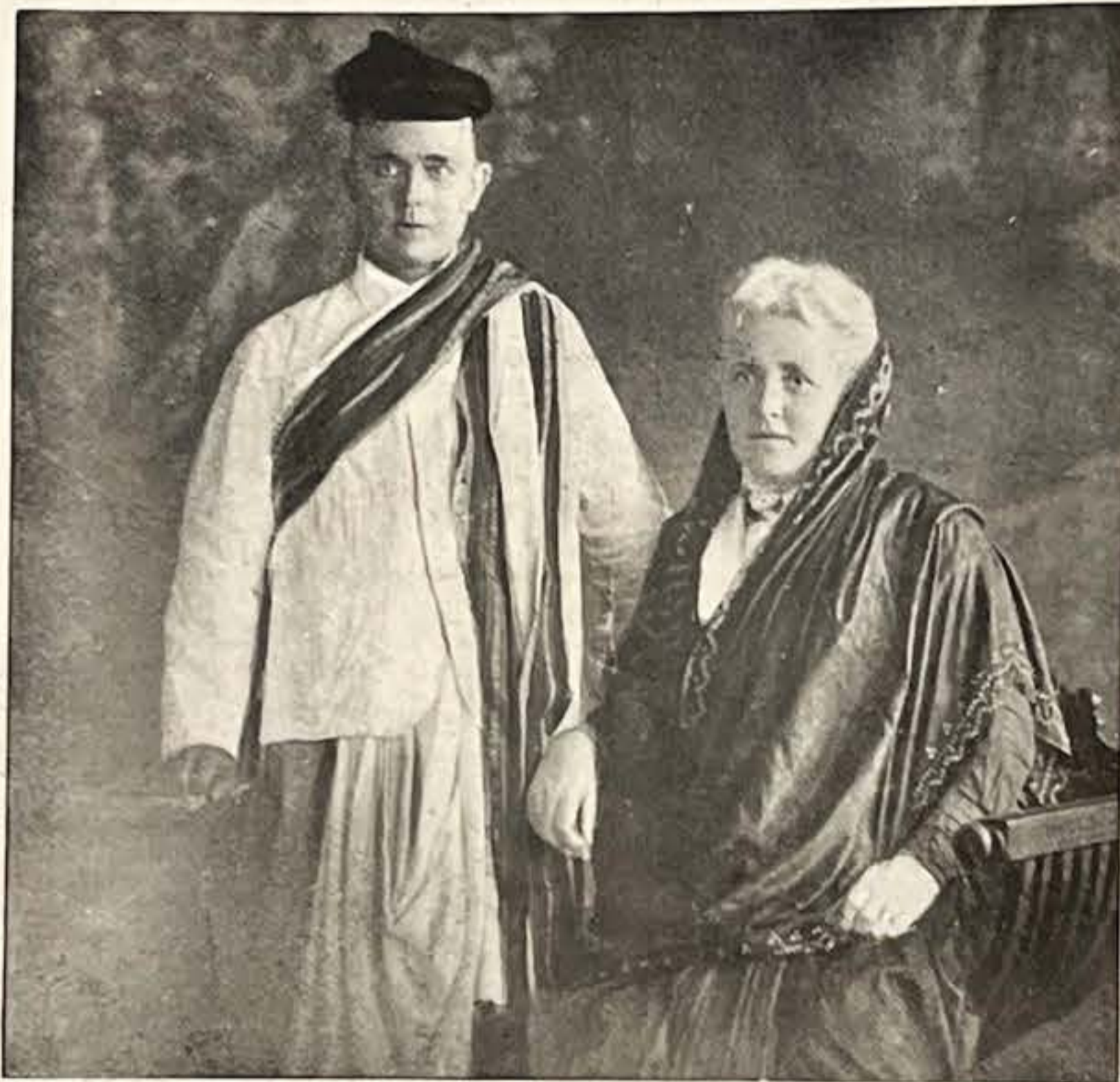
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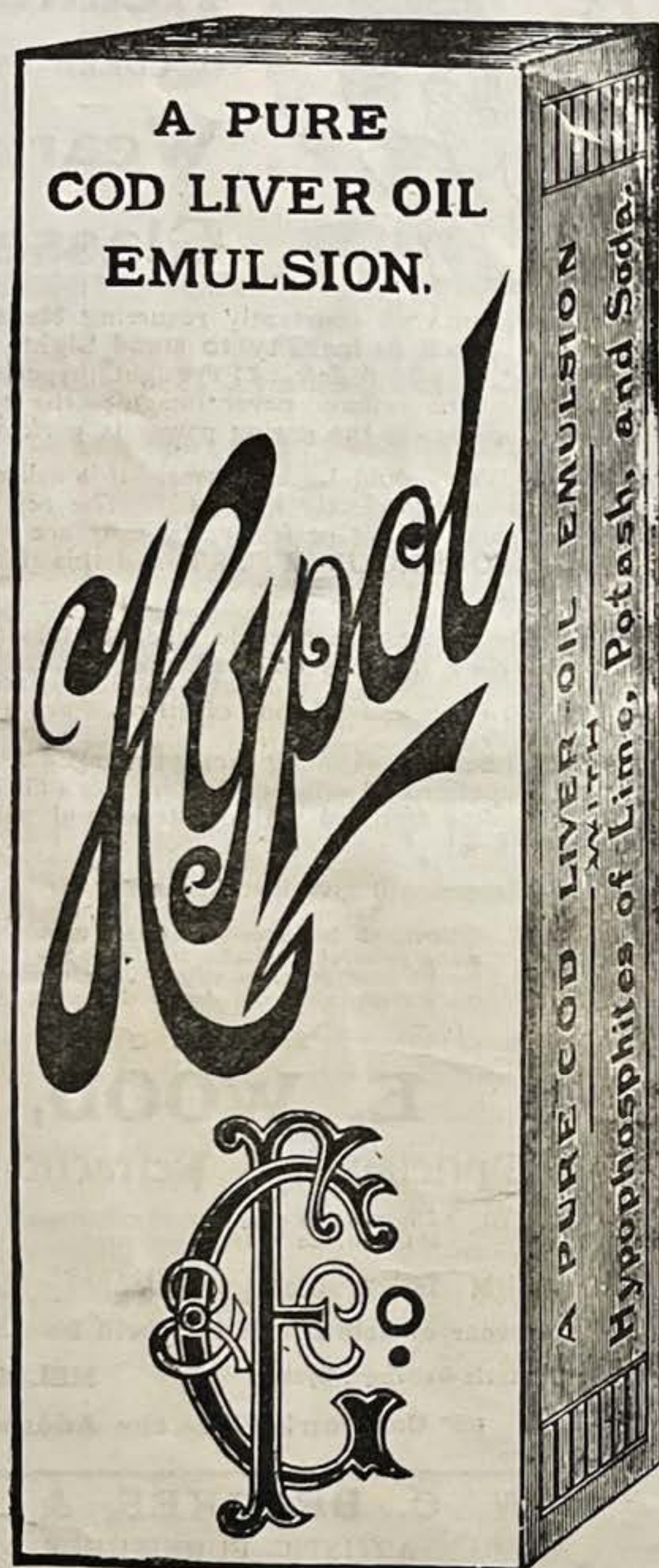
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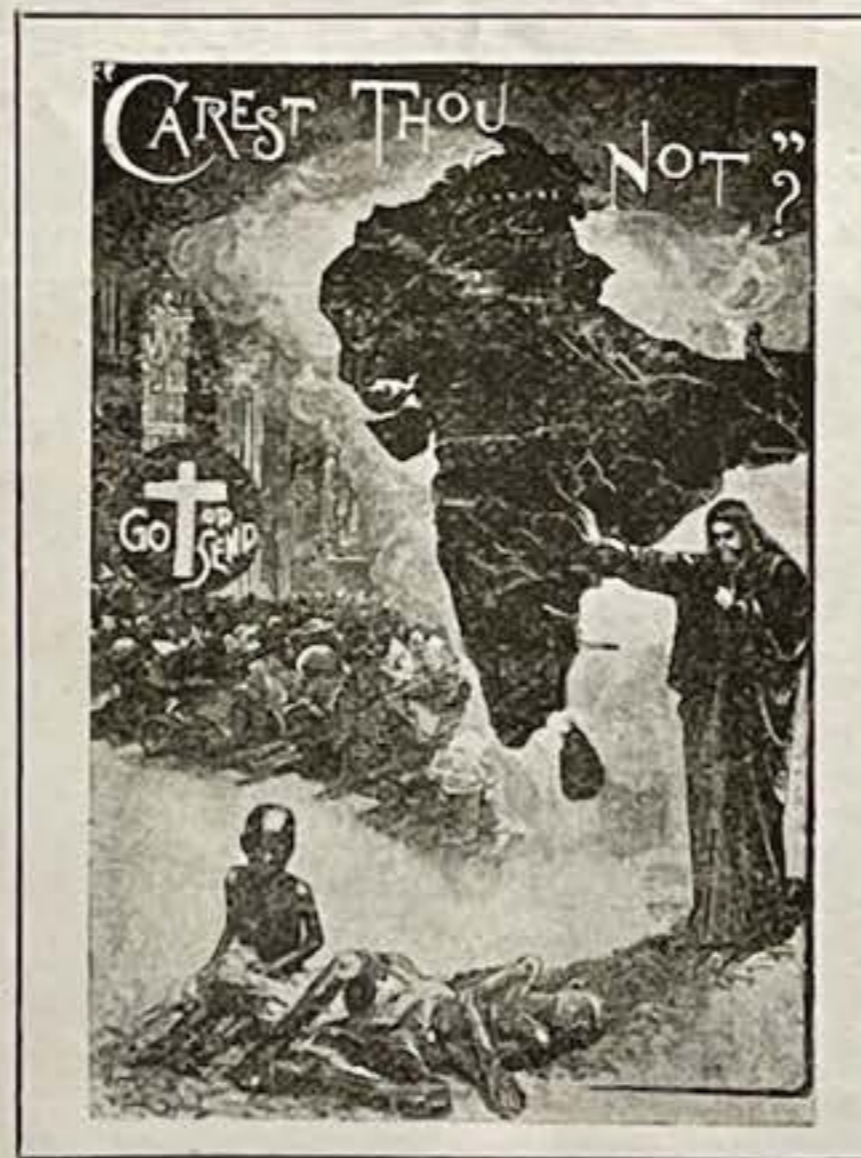
Medical Missions

With the birth of Christianity there was ushered into the world a new era of love and pity. A new gospel was proclaimed. A gospel that fell strangely upon the ears of men and women who had been reared in the hard school of materialistic thought. Doubtless, love and pity had always been in the world, but only as virtues existing within the narrowest confines. In any broad sense, they had little or no existence. Even the natural emotions were crushed by the spirit of the age. It was considered a reproach to Christianity that it taught men to care for the poor, the weak, and the suffering. Celsus, the chief representative of pagan pride, rejected Christianity because it was offered to the poor, the weak and the sinful. "Pagans generally," says Schmidt, in his "Social Results of Christianity," "understood nothing of Christian humility, nor of the love which embraces men of all nations as equally brothers in the kingdom of God." But that which was then regarded as a reproach, is now seen to be the distinguishing glory of the religion of Christ.

The cruelty of heathenism.

It is not necessary, however, to go back to pre-Christian times to discover that the world without Christ is not moved by any wide-embracing, large-hearted charity. In foreign lands to-day, where heathenism reigns, there is found a callous indifference to human suffering that is simply appalling. And where there is not callous indifference, there is a deplorable ignorance that is just as disastrous in its results. In the dark places of the earth, men know little or nothing of the needs of the body, or of diseases

or medicine. Many thousands die every year through profound ignorance. And the sufferings endured, which might be relieved, no pen can describe. Christianity, as represented by Foreign Missions, cannot ignore this fact. The primary object of missions, of course, is to save the soul, but involved in this is the care of the house in which the soul dwells. Jesus Christ, the greatest of all missionaries, was a healer of the body as well as the soul. It may be that every



missionary cannot be a physician, but while that is so, it is nevertheless a fact to be regretted. The power of the missionary is increased tenfold if he can minister to the ailments and diseases of the people. But, while it may not be possible for every missionary to be a physician, it is imperative that, attached to every mission station, there should be at least one missionary who is an accredited physician. The genius of Christianity demands this, to say nothing of the crying needs of the people among whom missionaries have to labor.

The success of medical missions.

We believe that missionary societies are beginning to realise what an important factor medical missions are in successful work in heathen lands. A. McLean, referring to the subject of medical missions, says:—"The medical missionary gains a ready access to the hearts and homes of the people, where an evangelist would be kept out or despised. He can conquer prejudice and superstition and distrust and ignorance. It was said of Dr. Peter Parker that he opened China at the point of his lancet. Before China was open to the gospel he established a hospital in Canton. It was no uncommon thing to see a thousand patients waiting their turn for treatment." Bro. McLean gives quite a number of cases in which medical skill has opened the way for the preaching of the gospel. He sets forth the results in the following words: "As in Christ's ministry, so now the gospel is preached while the sick are healed. The preaching is the main thing. The medical man is a philanthropist in the truest and highest sense. In the hospitals the gospel is read and expounded; hymns are sung and prayers are offered. Many are lead to Christ while in the hospitals. They go home and tell the others what they have heard. The hospital thus becomes a radiating centre. The gospel is carried by patients into hundreds of villages that the medical men never saw."

A desirable equipment.

The time will come, probably, when medical training will be considered the indispensable equipment of every missionary. Certainly every pioneer missionary should have medical qualifications. In opening up new fields the work of the missionary will thus be robbed of more than half of its difficulties. In many instances where the evangelist, pure and simple, would have to

turn back, the medical missionary would find a hearty welcome. Seeing that these things are so, it is desirable that young men and young women desirous of entering the foreign field should, if possible, go through a course of medical training.

Editorial Notes.

Science and Missions.

This is an age of scientific, social and spiritual unrest. It is an age of discovery, invention and restless activity. Theories but recently regarded as unchangeable as the everlasting hills are being questioned or discarded. "The old order changeth" in all departments of mental and material life, and in view of the progress of the immediate past we can but wonder what lies before us even in the early future. One of the most encouraging indications to the Christian is the remarkable revival and expansion of missionary zeal. Since the days of primitive Christianity there has never been such an interest taken in world-wide evangelism. Nor is this confined to preachers and sentimentalists. Hard-headed business men are bringing their practical energies to bear on the problem of evangelising all nations, and are demonstrating their interest by devoting their purses to the project. "The evangelisation of the world in this generation" has become the watchword of the Laymen's Missionary Association, and it really appears that the scheme is being brought within the range of realisation. The world is growing smaller every year and lands that lay but recently in what appeared to be impenetrable darkness are now becoming well known. The inventions and discoveries of science are being pressed into the service of the Christ. Steam and electricity in their varied applications are contributing to the spread of the gospel, assisted by surgical and sanitary science, and the great black citadel of heathenism is surely and rapidly being undermined.

Missionary Prospects.

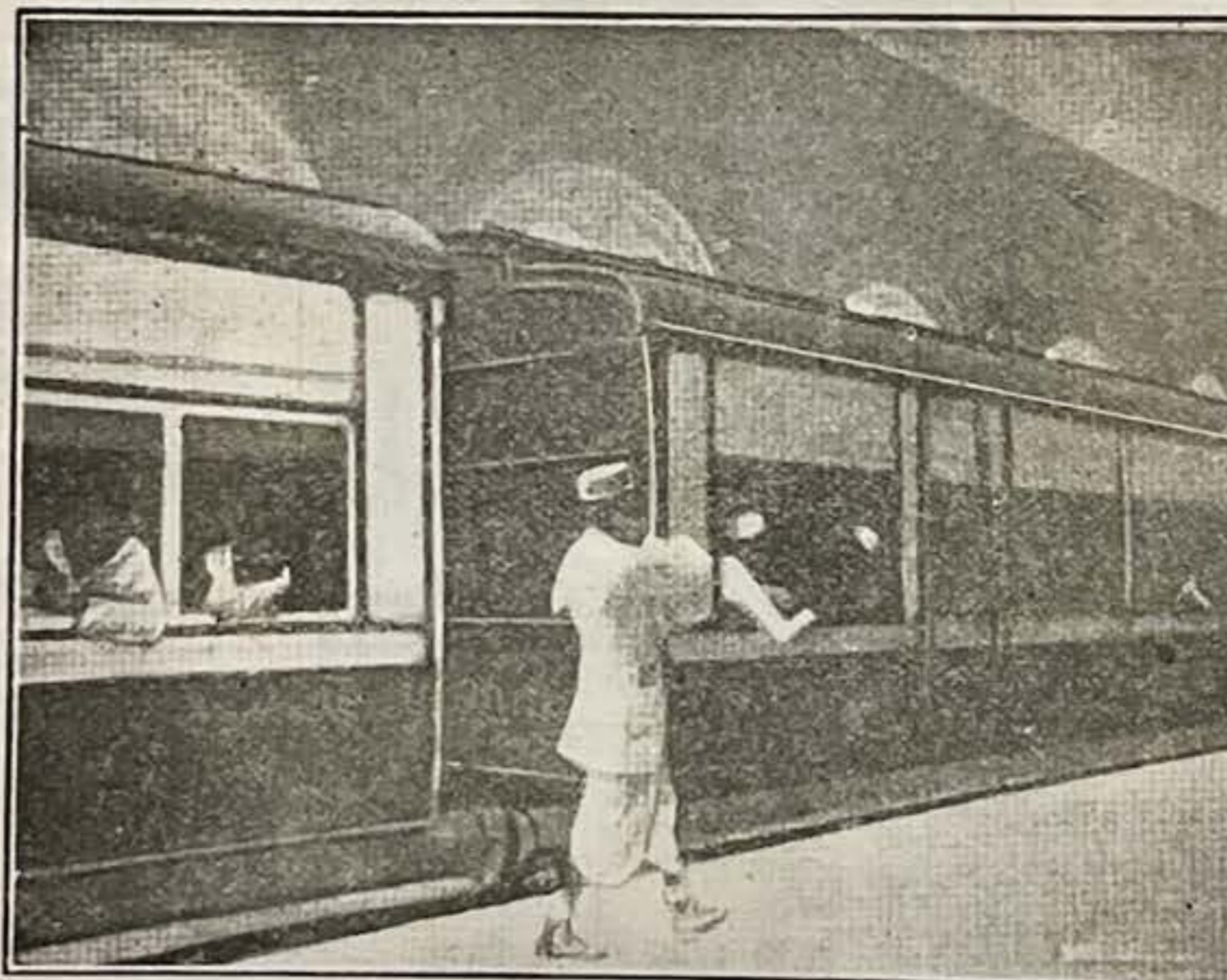
The success of the missionary propaganda in our day is most decidedly encouraging. From nearly all the great heathen fields comes the good news of progress, giving assurance of ultimate victory. The powerful system of caste in India, which for the past hundred years has been the huge barrier to the religion of Christ with its teaching of brotherhood, is at last giving many and evident signs of weakening. China with her four hundred millions is awakening, and was never so receptive to gospel influences as at present. Japan has become a powerful factor in the world's nationhood, and her towns

WRITE IT ON YOUR HEARTS.
JULY 2, 1911.



David John and Wife and Child, of our Baramati Mission, India.

David was an orphan, who was taken charge of by Bro. Strutton 12 years ago. He is now a bright Christian. There are now 27 members at Baramati; and the mission has justified its existence, and the results call forth our deepest gratitude to God.



Diksal, India, is one of the outposts of Baramati. It is a railway station, and thousands pass through by train every month. We have a native evangelist there, who visits all the trains and does colporteur work, selling the Scriptures for as low as 1/2d. per copy. The good seed is being sown beside all waters, and will fall into good hearts and bring forth fruit.

are all open to the missionary. Korea is becoming the world's great object lesson of the power of the gospel. Darkest Africa is

being dotted over with stars of gospel light which are rapidly increasing in brilliancy. The islands of the seas are being fast evangelised. Even cast-iron Tibet is being invaded in her borders by the heralds of the cross, and is reluctantly but surely being opened up to the evangel of Christ. Almost everywhere the outlook is bright with promise, and the millions already won from heathenism are but the earnest of the hundreds of millions who shall yet rejoice in the salvation of our God.

Missions of the Disciples.

The people among whom this paper chiefly circulates have their share in the spread of the gospel in the regions beyond. The Foreign Christian Missionary Society and the Christian Women's Board of Missions of the United States have their hundreds of missionaries in India, China, Japan, Africa, Tibet, Mexico, the Philippine Islands, and other fields, and there are also other independent missionary movements of the American brethren. Great Britain and New Zealand have their missionary committees and missionaries in India, Burmah, Siam and Africa. Churches of Christ in Australia have one missionary in China, two in Japan, and four in the New Hebrides, besides several in India. In all these fields there is room and crying need for extension. The mission of the disciples of Christ have on the whole been encouragingly successful. Several thousands have renounced the worship of idols and accepted Christ. The missions of the Commonwealth brethren alone have had about one thousand converts. The statistics of missions generally show that more converts are gained, proportionately, in heathen lands, than in civilised countries. We have therefore every assurance that money devoted to the work will be economically and profitably spent.

A BROTHERHOOD HYMN.

By Nolan Rice Best.

Made of one blood with all on earth
who dwell,
Born brothers of the near and far as well,
The children of one sacred Fatherhood,
And common heirs of universal good,
Grant us, who bow, O Lord, before thy
Sov'reign face
To learn with thee to love our world-en-
circling race.

Amidst the troubled, grieving, overborne,
Among the helpless, hopeless, and forlorn
Engirt with ill and poverty and pain,
And bitter strife of greed for empty gain,
Grant us, O Lord, the sight with Christly
eyes to see

The hidden, soul-deep need of men for us
and thee.

"To make disciples of all nations is the deliberate effort and policy of Christianity."

The
F.M. Enterprise
W. B. BLAKEMORE,
of Perth, W.A.

The Foreign Missionary enterprise has been on trial. It has been closely scrutinised by leaders of finance, statecraft, and industry. The Laymen's Missionary Movement sent out 66 representative business men who gave their time and bore their own expenses in visiting the various mission fields of the world. Upon their return they rendered a striking verdict in favor of missions. To their verdict has been added that of ex-President Roosevelt, President Taft, the Hon. W. J. Bryan, the Hon. Jas. Bryce, the English Ambassador at Washington, and others prominent in the affairs of the world. The practical success of Foreign Missions is one of the assured results of modern scientific inquiry. The old question, "Are Foreign Missions a Failure?" is as dead as Hector. Do not let people know how much behind the times you are by raising such a question. If you want to be connected with the biggest, bravest, most potent, and most gloriously successful enterprise of the twentieth century, then line up with Foreign Missions on the first Sunday in July.

"The reason why some people have no interest in missions is that they invest no principal."

**Bro. and Sis.
H. H. Strutton.**

After a successful tour throughout Australia, these beloved missionaries have returned to Baramati, India, to the work they so much love. In a week or two we expect to hear of the work they again take up. Two more noble workers it is hard to imagine. They are amongst God's choicest servants. God bless them, is the prayer of thousands of hearts in Australia.

Facts about India.

India contains one-fifth of the world's population. At the census in March of this year 315,001,099 were counted, an increase of 20,640,043 for 10 years. Over 7,000,000 have died of plague during the last 14 years.



The above diagram represents the 145,000,000 of women and girls in India, each star representing 5,000,000 women and girls. The five shaded stars represent India's 25,000,000 widows.

Drawn on the same scale, this solitary star represents Australia.



The whole population of Australia, including men, women and children, is less than 5,000,000.

At last report there were 97,340 lepers in India, and 25,891,939 widows—a down-trodden and accursed class.

PONDER THESE THINGS !

"YES—BUT"
H. KINGSBURY,
of Lygon St., Carlton, Vic.

"The field is the world," says Jesus. "Yes," says the o-missionary,— "but." Oh! those human "buts!" Would to God that men were slower with their own opinions and readier to follow divine directions. Our God knows best. Jesus is his Word, and Jesus says the sowing is not to be sectional,— "the field is the world." He has planned a world-evangelisation. Shall we who are Christ's,—bought with his own priceless blood—fail to execute his plans? Nay, verily! Listen then to his imperative, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature."

Brother, please don't say, "Yes—but" any more, but say "Yes, Lord, here am I, send me." And may it be recorded of you in heaven: "And I say to this man, Go, and he goeth, and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it."

Hands Across the Sea.

The visit of Bro. and Sister Rains to our shores has strengthened the tie of fellowship. For convenience sake our different work is divided, but U.S.A., N.Z., Great Britain and Australia are all one in spirit. Australia joins hands with U.S.A. in Tokyo and Shanghai and Harda; with N.Z. in South Africa, and with England in Daltonganj. God bless our fellow societies.

A Brahmin who had become a Christian, once told a celebrated traveller that people of lower castes than his own had often asked him to stop and wash his feet in the water of the street, so that they might drink it. Do we not pity them? Do we not long that they might also learn to love Jesus; that they might have the same privilege we have through the gospel?

The Utmost for the Highest

J. W. BAKER,
of North Fitzroy, Vic.

"He may do what he will
That will do what he can."

Foreign Mission Sunday is with us again. At once our attention is arrested, and among the many claims pressing on us we find ourselves assuming a judicial attitude as to which should receive our greatest support. After examining each call for help, we have no hesitation in deciding that Foreign Mission enterprise is the "highest," therefore it shall have the "utmost." Three great reasons confirm this decision:—

Patriotism.—Foreign Mission effort strengthens and extends the influence of our country. National greatness is dear to us all. The missionary helps the flag.

Benevolence.—Missionary effort means great things for those that have not. Orphanages, asylums, schools, and hospitals where none exist. These things abound around us. Think of the millions in heathendom without! A good response means that these ministries will be extended.

Spiritually.—Opportunities abound for men to know and do the will of God. Bibles, churches, preachers everywhere. Look at India, Africa, China. What have they? Think of it! 100,000 dying daily, and 850,000,000 living without Christ. May God loosen our pursestrings.

These three great reasons impress us with the fact that F.M. effort is undoubtedly the "highest" because it is for the neediest; therefore it shall have the "utmost."

"While vast continents are shrouded in pagan gloom, and hundreds of millions suffer the bondage of heathenism, the burden of proof lies upon you to show that the circumstances in which God has placed you were meant by him to keep you out of the Foreign Mission field."

One hundred years ago there were practically no native Christians in heathen lands. To-day there is a native church for every 1,500,000.

Miss Tonkin's Orphans.

One poor little soul since she was 6 years old has worked in the cotton mills, and about 18 months ago caught her arm in the machinery and smashed it badly, yet she went back after coming out of the hospital, and tried to work by holding one end in her mouth and using her left hand, but



The mill workers Miss Tonkin is reaching in Shanghai.

it caused her mouth to break out badly, so she couldn't do it. The aunt couldn't afford to keep her, so she had either to beg or be sold into a bad life. So I took her. She is the happiest child I have seen since



Women in Training at Shanghai. Mrs. Ware in centre; Miss Tonkin alongside.

I have been in China; her laugh is like music, and she is working very hard to get on in her books. It is wonderful what she can do with her left hand.

O. F. M. S.

C. J. GARLAND,
Secretary W.A. Committee

Since becoming interested in Foreign Missions, I am convinced strongly of two things.

1. We men should be thoroughly alive to the privilege and joy of helping and sustaining F.M. work, by reading, talking, comparison. We must face the work with stronger faith, enlarged vision, courage and sacrifice.

2. Those who are in that fortunate position ought to make their arrangements sooner or later to visit the F.M. work on the spot. It will pay, and help our workers on the front line of battle. Personal messages from our missionaries will bear a hundredfold more fruit than mere letter writing. Somebody try it.

3. I suggest for our offering on July 2 that we men give a sixpence for every year of our lives. Try it, and see the rich blessing that comes.

A Message from Bro. and Sis Watson.

"We both feel that we cannot rest until we are in the work again amongst those poor souls in the darkness of heathendom.

We are looking forward in great hopes of accomplishing, in the name of Christ, much good, and being a blessing to that benighted people, more so when we know that we have a band of praying fellow workers upholding us. Pray God that we may both be prepared for this very important task of seeking the lost in India."

Why Pray for Missions?

1. He who prays for missions never forgets that the work is God's, that he is aiding in the divine enterprise of missions."

2. "The surest way to get missionaries is by the throne of God. Appeals to God will man the fields more quickly than appeals to man."

3. "The silver and gold belong to the Lord, and in answer to believing prayer he can bring it forth from the purses and pockets of his people."

4. "Prayer will meet the needs of all."

The Call of the Blood

A. E. ILLINGWORTH, of Paddington, N.S.W.

Robert Hichens, the novelist, has written a book with the above title. An Englishwoman marries a half-Sicilian, who is strongly drawn back to his own customs and people. The title is suggestive of another call, to which the Church of Christ is slowly awakening, i.e., the call of our un-saved kinsmen according to the flesh.

There is an affinity between us and all mankind, for "God hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth" (Acts 17: 26). The call in question is not an articulate, but an inarticulate one, it is the call of our common humanity—the call of "the blood." We are not drawn by their customs or religious beliefs, but by their pathetic needs.

Our blissful experiences in Christ, and their woeful lack without him, constitute an insistent and persistent entreaty to let them enter into the secret of his love and grace.

This call of the blood is stirring the members of our churches as never before, and it is imperative that we answer it by self-sacrifice. The very least we can do is to give money to send missionaries.

A poor, blind woman in Paris put 27 francs into a plate at a missionary meeting.

"You cannot afford so much," said one. "Yes, sir, I can," she answered.

On being pressed to explain, she said, "I am blind, and I said to my fellow straw-workers, 'How much money do you spend in a year for oil in your lamps when it is too dark to work nights?' They replied, '27 francs.'

"So," said the poor woman, "I found that I save so much in the year because I am blind and do not need a lamp, and I give it to shed light to the dark heathen lands."

May the spirit of our Elder Brother work mightily in us on July 2, even as it wrought in the poor French disciple.

GREAT DAYS.

F.M. Sunday, - July 2
Children's Day - Nov. 5

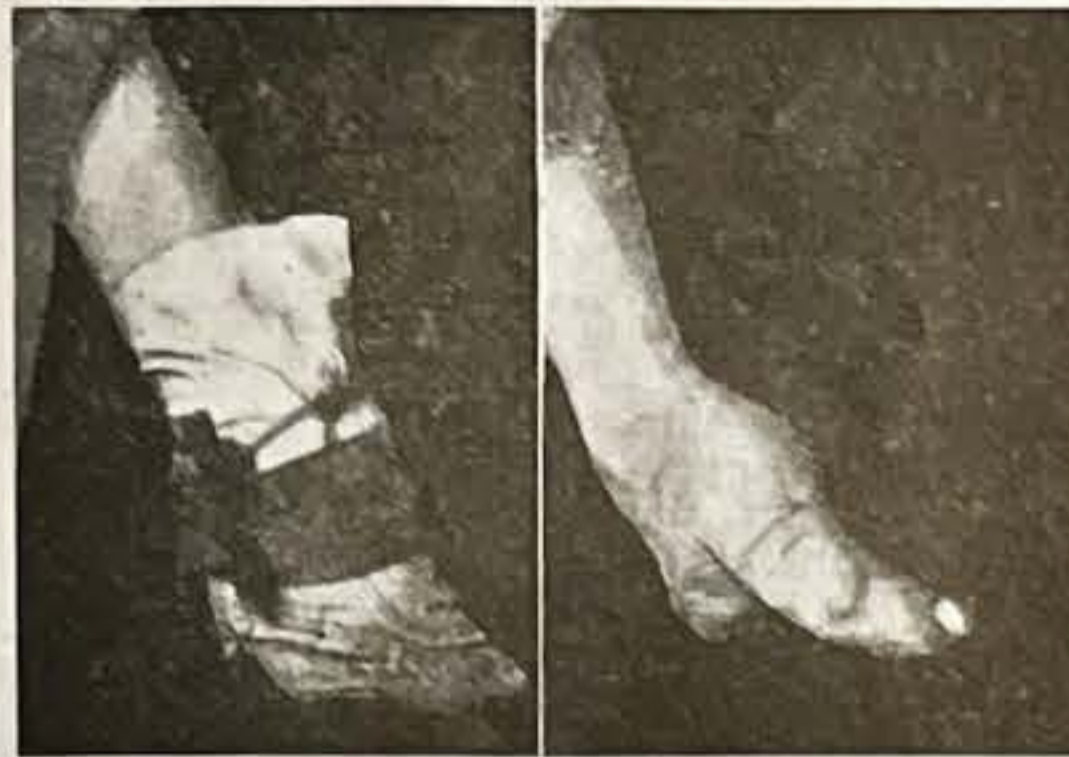
"As long as there are millions destitute of the Word of God and knowledge of Jesus Christ, it will be impossible for me to devote my time and energy to those who have both."

—J. L. Ewen.

The Story of Lai Pao.

By J. Ware, Shanghai.

This young lady has been with us since she was four years of age, when she was cast off by her parents because her feet had dropped off through foot binding.



Chinese Woman's Foot, Shod and Unshod.

Before she received her artificial feet, which you helped us to procure for her, she had to go about on her knees, and being a very sensitive girl, she used to shed bitter tears when the people would make it their business to take special notice of her deformity. Now that she is like other girls, and can move about even without her



Lai Pao and her Artificial Feet.

crutches, the world is a new world to her and she is happy all the day long. Of course she cannot help admiring her feet, which it is impossible to distinguish from ordinary feet. But for this little vanity we readily excuse her.

Lai Pao's one desire is to serve her Saviour, and so I am sure you and your wide circle of friends will continue to pray that this worthy ambition may be realised.

In the beginning—God, To-day—God and Me

IRA A. PATERNOSTER,
Sec. S.A. Committee.

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." As believers in God, we accept the truthfulness of that statement. I know of none of our preachers, educators, writers, etc., in Australasia who would question it, and for this we are to be thankful. But I wonder how many of us rightly appreciate the other fact? To-day it is God and me engaged in making a new world in some man's heart.

Chaos reigned before the controlling touch of the divine hand, and an equally black chaos reigns in the heart of sin until God using me is the vehicle to convey his message, makes cosmos out of chaos.

The reason why God in the beginning did the work is because you and I were not there. Had we been, we have every reason to believe he would have worked through us. To-day his great work of redemption will be accomplished when individual Christians realise they are God's agents. "Use me, O Lord, use even me." Here am I—send me.

WHERE NO WOOD IS

J. I. MUDFORD,
of Brisbane, Queensland.

"Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out." Well said, King Solomon. Your testimony is true. Let me borrow your words and apply them to the missionary enterprise. When the fires of missionary zeal burn low, there is a reason. There is lack of fuel. Ignorance—sheer, unpardonable ignorance—is often to blame.

The missionary fire needs the fuel of facts. The man who "does not believe in missions" as a rule knows nothing about them. Martyn and Brainerd, Carey and Livingstone—he knows nothing of such as these. Teach him. Pile on the wood, Mr. Editor, in the F.M. number. Pile on the wood, fellow-workers, before July. Show what God hath wrought. Sound Bible teaching, the F.M. page in the CHRISTIAN, missionary rallies, missionary literature—there's wood in abundance. Pile it on, and the fire will burn, and our unfortunate brothers, now shivering in the bleak night of heathenism, will feel the healthful glow of the love of their Lord.

"A need, a need known, and the power to meet that need, constitute a call."

Bro. P. A. DAVEY, of Tokyo,
Japan, reports:—

Bro. Rains was here to the graduation exercises of our Boys' Middle School and of the Girls' School. Four girls graduated to become women evangelists or preachers' wives. In the Boys' School there were about 40 graduates. We are to have one preacher graduate only this year in June.

There are six men now at work who have graduated since I began teaching in the Bible School. Students for the ministry are very hard to secure.

I attended the National Sunday School Association Convention a week ago. There are 30 district associations, 400 Sunday

The Cry for Bread

Composed specially for the F. M. No.
by G. E. BURNS.
Petersham, N. S. W.

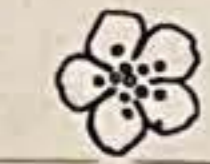
They cried with the pangs of hunger strong,
As they pressed the Lord around.
The mighty centre of all that throng,
They would as their King have crowned.

They cried for bread that doth pass away,
And he not unmindful heard.
They thought of the things that last a day,
He spoke of the living Word.

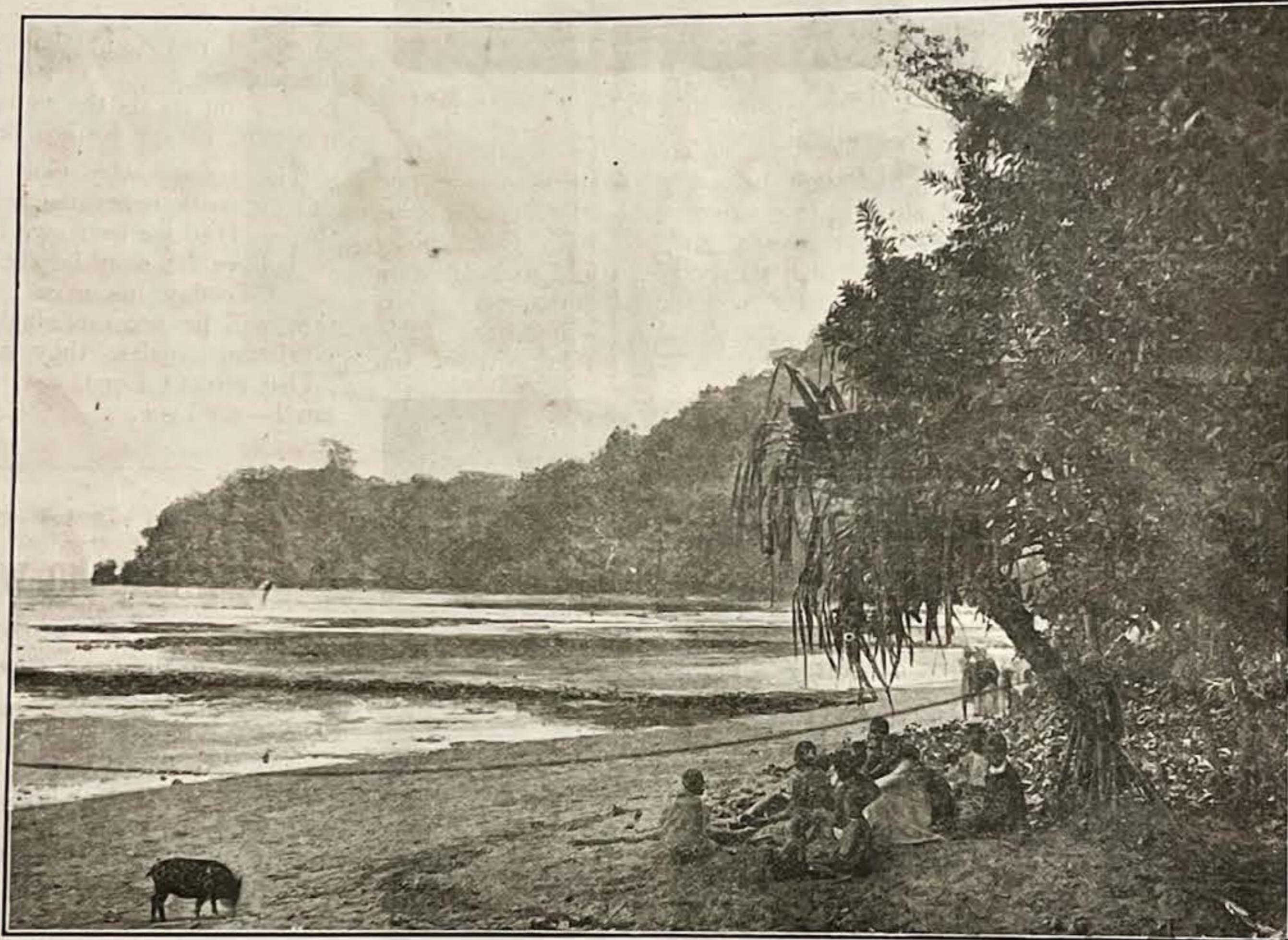
Nurse TERRELL, of Baramati,
India, says:—

I have been much encouraged by the gratitude shown by some of my patients' friends and relatives.

When preparing to leave Baramati, I asked the husband of a Brahmin patient (lately cured and now the happy mother of a baby girl) where I could obtain a cart for luggage and to ride in at night. He at once told me not to trouble any more about it, and true to his word, sent the cart round and insisted on paying for it. He said it was nothing to the gratitude which he felt. Then, when 9 miles out, while passing through Pandara, was invited into a Jain's



"A whole Church for my Fellowship."
"A whole World for my Parish."



"A whole Christ for my Salvation."
"A whole Bible for my Staff."



The Beach at Pentecost, New Hebrides.

Beattie Photo.

Schools, and 30,000 scholars in this organization. An eleven years' graded lesson course has been prepared.

We had a week's missionary Conference with Bro. Rains, and preceding it the Japanese Convention was held, so that he was able in this way to confer with all our Japanese and foreign workers.

We held an "At Home" in our house for our guests. Over 200 missionaries received invitations, and the majority came. Thus in various ways Bro. and Sister Rains came into touch with the Christian Society of Japan. Best regards to all.

"If God will show me anything that I can do for the evangelisation of the world, which I have not yet attempted, by his grace I will do it at once."

He bade his disciples give them bread,
"They need not depart," said he.
He would that the world's great soul were fed
With the bread of eternity.

He heard them cry in the days of old,
And he hears them cry to-day.
These souls are mine, bring them to the fold,
That have wandered so far away.

On heathendom's hills he sees them die,
In heathendom's shades they fall.
And he bids us list to the dying cry
And heed the despairing call.

And he bids us "go" or "give" or "send,"
Which ever our portion be.
The liberal soul will our Lord commend,
"Ye have done it indeed to me."

house to a cup of tea, very sweet and well flavored with supari nut. I did not wish to offend, so then had to drink it before about 30 men and boys, who sat watching me. I gave them John 3: 16 before leaving. They are a caste very much opposed to British Government, so I was glad to be friendly. Another man of the same caste sent out and had his buffalo milked (although it was dark) and gave me plenty to drink and a good supply for the way.

I thank you all for your prayers, which are such a help to me. Love to all.

Love never asks, How much must I do? but how much can I do? Not how much of my money shall I give to God, but how much of God's money shall I keep for myself.

Remember July 2.

Trials and Triumphs

F. J. PURDY,
Aoba.

Last Lord's day I was to have gone to Kasalakora and baptise about 12, but the weather prevented our going. The launch was anchored out with our natives' boat; the latter was blown ashore, and was broken almost beyond repair. Mr. Adams and I went out to the launch and stayed in her amidst pouring rain and squalls, keeping the engine going at intervals to keep the strain off the chain while she was at anchor. To get her away we had to slip the chain and let it go to the bottom (though the natives will dive and get it later) and come away to shore where 40 willing hands were waiting to beach her, which was successfully done.

Next Lord's day I am to baptise 10 or 12 at Vingkalato, the highest village in Aoba. It is probably 2000 feet up, and very steep.

The people at Lovuti-losa have built their weatherboard church building, and it is quite an imposing structure, situated on a high hill 1½ miles inland, which can be seen from the deck of a ship.

The people carried all the iron, timbers and weatherboards that distance. It can seat 300. They tell me they now want a floor in it, so that they will soon be getting the money for that. It has now cost nearly £120, and it is all paid for. Peter Pentecost (though an Aoba native, the name Pentecost was taken for a charm's sake) is doing a good work there with the other teachers.

I have been to Lolokaro also this month. I found the work going on well there. Dick Stephen and Charlie the teacher are doing well. Shortly we hope to place another teacher at a village some distance from Lolokaro.

The Glenelg, S.A., church supports two native workers at Daltonganj, India, and is asking the Federal Executive Committee to bring them under the Federal Committee as the living links of Glenelg.

Missions are the chief end of the church. The chief end of the ministry is to guide the church in this work, and fit her out for it. The chief end of the preaching in a congregation ought to be to train it to take its part in helping the church to fulfil her destiny. And the chief end of every minister in this connection ought to be to ask grace to fit himself thoroughly for this work.—Andrew Murray.

A South Sea Islander's Prayer.

"Grant, O Lord, that the good words that we have heard may not be like our fine Sunday garments, which we soon take off and put by in a box till the next Sunday comes. But let this truth be like the tattooing on our bodies, ineffaceable till death."

Bro. Filmer wrote last year:—"We have been mightily encouraged in the work by the splendid effort made at home on July 3. Well done! When one has a look at the needs and possibilities of the heathen field, then he feels that the F.M. offering is a splendid speculation."

AWFUL HEATHEN CUSTOMS

Mrs. F. G. FILMER, Pentecost.

We are constantly brought face to face with awful heathen customs. Only last week a woman not many miles from here died and left twins two days old. As soon as we heard of it we sent our teacher, Tom, to see if we could do anything for the babies. The father told Tom that when the mother died he did not want the babies, so he put them in a basket, hung them in a tree away in the bush so that he should not hear their cries, and left them there to die; he said one had died already, and he had buried it, and if Tom liked he could bring the other along to us. The poor little girl was so weak that she died next day.

The love of Christ in the heart is gradually putting down such practices, but it will be some time before the children here are loved like the children in Christian lands.

The volcano on Ambrym, our neighboring island, has been very noisy of late; at night she looks like a great fire.

We have shocks of earthquake occasionally, but they are not severe as a rule.

We shall be glad to welcome a new worker for Maewo and Aoba.



Map of a portion of the New Hebrides Group. Nduindui, on Aoba, or Oba, is Bro. Purdy's headquarters. Bro. Filmer is at Banmatmat, on Pentecost, just about where Fan Mara Mara Point shows. Maewo is the new island which we contemplate entering very shortly.

We, who form part of the far-flung British Empire, are laid under compulsion to study, as no nation has ever studied, the great question of the evangelisation of the world. The extent and complexity of the Empire will more and more force our scholars and statesmen to recognise that the question of Foreign Missions, in its spirit and secret tendency, is fast creating the only possible charter of our personal and national freedom. The presence of something like three hundred and fifty millions of alien and heathen peoples under the flag of Britain is the most stupendous fact of our times. The racial question can no longer be ignored. It has only one solvent—viz., missions, missions, missions.—H. Worrall.

WHAT WE GIVE AND WHAT WE GET.

S. G. GRIFFITH,
State Evangelist, S.A.

A man is reported to have said that in a long life of profession, Christianity had cost him but 17 cents (8½d.). Poor old man, he gave so little that he did not receive enough to know what he had missed.

A large gift insures a great blessing. Christ set the example of giving by the gift of his life. We who would be like him must give till it hurts, and we'll receive till we overflow.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald McCallum reached the Philippine Islands on the 6th of February. They are stationed at Vigan, and will be associated with Mr. and Mrs. Hanna, in the work at that station. Mrs. McCallum, on being asked by the customs officer how long she expected to stay in the Philippines, answered enthusiastically, "For ever."

Opportunity means Responsibility

D. M. WILSON, Perth, W.A.

To make Christ known to the world is the direct work of the church. If the world is to be Christianised it must be evangelised. Never before has the non-Christian world been so open and accessible as it is now. In many heathen countries there is a rising spiritual tide, which if taken at the flood will lead to a great ingathering. Dr. Moffatt, of Korea, says that "The Korean Christians for the last ten years have been bringing in converts faster than the missionaries have been able to provide instruction for them." Those who know declare that now is the decisive hour of Christian missions. Opportunity means responsibility.

In the presence of these facts, let each one decide upon a course of action that will worthily express his best feelings on behalf of the F.M. cause. Let our contributions be at least in keeping with our emotions.

An Appeal for a Gramophone.

Miss Tonkin has been in very large evidence here during the Chinese New Year. She has had crowds of women and children around her the whole time. No mission in China has had more crowded audiences than ourselves. The poor women and children who work in the cotton mills have indeed enjoyed themselves this New Year. By the way they dearly love music, and so if you know of a friend who has a gramophone and records he is tired of, please ask him to send it along and we will let more people hear it in a year than he would probably get to hear in his lifetime.—James Ware.

(Send any reply to T. B. Fischer.)

We need the faith that will compel us to give to God our very best of everything, to be used by him in the way that seemeth best in his sight. This faith in God would secure all the men and the means required to carry on the missionary enterprise with unflagging energy and signal success.—Griffith John.



Interior of Chinese Chapel.

Each week services, a Bible School and educational classes are held, and good is being done.

Our Chinese Missions

W.A., S.A., N.S.W., and Vict.

The work is being earnestly carried on in Perth, Adelaide, Melbourne and Sydney with gratifying results. Services in Chinese are conducted each Lord's day, and during the week educational classes are held, but whilst the language of the land we live in is taught, the language of heaven is not forgotten. There are at present 90 members of the church in the four centres, namely, Adelaide, 10; Melbourne, 38; Perth, 9, and Sydney, 33. The work is mostly carried on by honorary workers who are highly valued by the Committee, in addition to which Bro. W. Jame, one of our own Chinese converts, labors as evangelist.

At present he is laboring with success in Sydney, and is having good meetings. It is possible that a building will be erected in N.S.W. before long, when even better work will be done. The church and building in Melbourne, as shown on this page, are an evidence of the success of the work. The sceptical should visit the meeting for worship on a Lord's day morning. The service is a delight. The singing, Scripture, prayers, the exhortation, the breaking of bread, the individual cups, and above all, the devotional spirit is better than in many European services, and the visitor comes away thankful to God for the power of the gospel.



Members of Chinese Church of Christ, Carlton, Melbourne, Victoria.

Back Row.—W. Ching, P. Souey, W. Sing, L. Sing, P. Loy, J. Young.
First Row.—J. Chim, K. Yick, Thang, P. Quong, S. L. Gung, S. Lun.
Second Row.—H. Pang, J. Kong, Kum Shing, W. J. Lun, S. Wong, Jas. Young.
Front Row.—G. Young, G. See, J. Deen, D. Gow, boy of S. Wong.



Chinese Chapel, Carlton, Victoria.

This Chapel is the property of the Federal F.M. Committee. It cost £1301/17/6. The debt now stands at £700. There are 38 members in the church.

What a religion we have! What a Bible we possess! What a gospel we preach! What a Saviour we have to offer! God forbid that any minister at home, or missionary abroad, should preach any other gospel than the gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

C.E. Stands For:
Christ Exalted.
Children Educated.
Christians Elevated.
Churches Energised.
Continents Evangelised.
Christendom Everywhere.

The Joy set before Us

J. E. THOMAS,
Adelaide, S.A.

Our Lord suffered the cross for the joy set before him of saving the world. His life was the most he could give, and he willingly laid it down for the sake of sin-stricken humanity. He now calls upon all his followers to enter into the fellowship of his suffering in order to share the eternal joy of the kingdom of his redeemed ones. To us, however, there is little of suffering in our service. He has made the pathways so full of joy for us that our self-surrender to his glorious purposes only brings us increasing joy. The prospects before us of glorious opportunities for the saving of men is only an assurance of the holy joy into which we may enter if we only will. G. H. Waters, of Pomona, California, who gave £1000 towards the establishment of a new station in the African field last year, in addition to supporting a native missionary, said, "This Foreign Missionary enterprise is about the most tangible and practicable Christian work I ever supported. My wife and I are not so young as we used to be, but we want to live long and work hard, and make lots of money to put into this." This man had entered into the joy of helping to save the world. There was a time in which he would be called a fanatic, but as men have seen the thousands that have been liberated from the horrors of savagery and heathendom by the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ, they have rightly concluded that this is a reasonable and divine business, that brings its own joy both to those helped and those that help them. For the joy of hearing of thousands being won for our Lord through our united efforts, and for the joy of bringing those who as yet know him not, to our dear Saviour, and for the joy of sharing heaven itself with those whom God helps us to win, let us gladly do our best on July 2.

"Everybody Should Know."

"Everybody should know" is the ringing refrain of one of our most modern hymns; and the reason is that the Christ we present is yours and mine and everybody's. He came to redeem our savage British ancestors; to transform the animal voracity of cannibal conquerors; to save the Indian widow from the funeral pyre; and to deliver the African slave from worse than slavery. He belongs to the children of all nations. He does not say, "I want only the white babies; colored boys and girls need not apply." It is time we moved out of these notions.

O. G. Hertzog, one of our American brethren, writes from China, where he is visiting the missions: "When I see the tremendous needs and the wonderful opportunities of this great work, I feel like returning and devoting the remainder of my days to urging the people to give for the conquest of China."

It is a blessed privilege to trace our commission back to the fountain head, and to find it folded up in the eternal purposes of Jesus. Let the first Lord's day in July show we value the privilege.



The Lost Sheep.

Christ says, "What man of you having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, doth not leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness and go after that which is lost until he find it?" In our case we might almost reverse the numbers, for in the heathen lands the ninety and nine are the lost, whom we should strive to reach. The Good Shepherd seeks their salvation through you and me, and gives us the great commission to preach the gospel to the whole creation.

Christ urged his people to pray for a particular object. "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Oh! isn't it strange that the only special subject of prayer that he named, as far as I can recollect at least, is so seldom heard in our pulpits?—J. A. Broadus.

Our Opportunity

T. BAGLEY,
State Evangelist, Victoria.

Over Sixty years ago Ray Palmer said, "I fancy I am coming back to earth after 500 years, and then I will find Japan open to the gospel." Over 3000 people perished as a warning to any Christian entering Japan. To-day the door of every nation is open to the missionary. The opportunity to send the "glad tidings" to all the world is being seized by all religious bodies. We rejoice at the great forward movement made by the Churches of Christ in this great enterprise. The harvest is great. Additional laborers are ready to enter, and shall we now gladly embrace the present opportunity of helping to send them?

It is vain to pray for world-wide harvests until there has been world-wide sowing.

"All that the world needs in order that the unfertile wastes of heathenism may be transformed into a garden of the Lord, is God—and missionaries. God is ready."

SOME FACTS

About the Work Engaged in by the Federal F.M. Committee.

FIELDS TOUCHED:

Shanghai, China.
Baramati, Diksal and Harda, India.
Tokyo, Japan.
Aoba and Pentecost, South Seas.
Chinese Mission in West Australia, South Australia, Victoria and New South Wales.

Baptisms for year, 294.

Present Membership, 1653.

Missionaries, Helpers, Native Evangelists, etc., 100.

Number of Meetings each Sunday, 176.

Meetings each Week, 593.

Sunday School Scholars, 1797.

Medical Treatments for Year, 35,997.

If believers should sit down in ease and appropriate all spiritual blessings to themselves and their own friends immediately around them, must they not be condemned as guilty of a dishonest attempt to embezzle the treasures of his grace?—Alexander Duff.

A Call to Tasmania

From Tasmanian F.M. Committee.

"The call comes ringing o'er the restless wave." It is the call of God. It is the call of humanity. With hands outstretched, beseeching us, millions cry, "Come over and help us."

It is the call for men. Are there not some amongst us who will respond? How can the perishing heathen hear the gospel without a preacher? Surely there is one out of the 550 disciples in Tasmania who will say "Here am I, send me!" The best day for Tasmania that has ever dawned will be when our first representative goes out in Christ's name, and on behalf of the brotherhood, to tell the glad news to the nations still in darkness. We can never hope to be worthy of the God-given name "Christian" till that is done. Too long have we been content to stay in our own island State with no feelings of compassion and kinship for our brothers in the regions beyond.

It is the call for money. The Federal F.M. Executive are enlarging the work in the Foreign field, and the Tasmanian brotherhood ought to have a more worthy part in the extension of our Master's kingdom. We have apportioned each church a definite amount, and if every congregation responds, we shall undoubtedly raise £50 this year. But this will only be a beginning. The rallying cry should be, "Our own representative in the Foreign field, and wholly supported by Tasmanian gold." Then, and not till then, will our cup of joy be filled to overflowing.

Send all offerings to H. C. Rodd, 195 Murray-st., Hobart.

On behalf of the Tasmanian Foreign Missionary Committee, your fellow workers in this forward move,

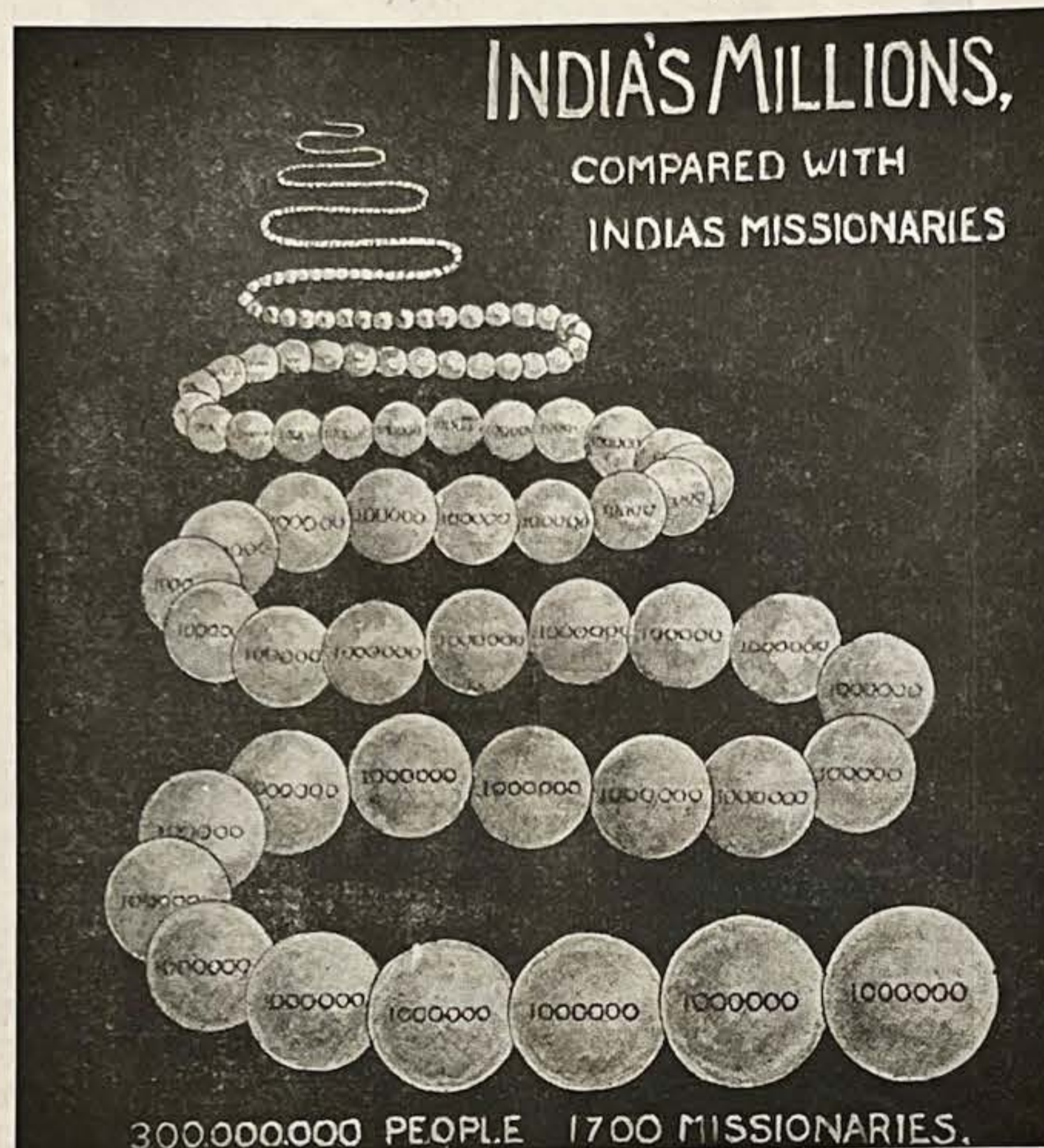
Geo. Manifold, President.
Peter Orr, Vice-President.
N. J. Warmbrun, Secretary.
H. C. Rodd, Treasurer.

WILL YOU PRAY?
WILL YOU WORK?
WILL YOU GIVE?

MISS MARY THOMPSON Writes about HARDA, INDIA.

Two of our young Christian women and myself went out early one morning this week outside of the village. The people have left their homes on account of plague, and some of them have not much shelter outside. But there were a number of large trees in the two places we went to and as the weather is warm now they are not suffering from being outside at night. It is hot for them in the daytime, but they are accustomed to that.

We soon had a good number around us and some of their parents too. Unless



something detains us, we go there every week, and some of the young people remember quite a little of what they have been taught.

Sarubai and myself had some interesting gatherings in some villages last week. In one village we visited, we could not find a single woman who would come and listen. A Brahmin invited us to speak in a public place and seemed anxious to hear us, but we declined, as there were no women around. As we were crossing the river to go to another village near, this man and another came after us, and were quite concerned that we had left their village without doing any work, and asked us to promise to back again.

"Christ claims all human beings for his own by the divine right of love."

The Beggar at Our Gate

G. MANIFOLD,
President of Committee in Tasmania.

Lazarus, full of festering sores, lying at the rich man's gate, and surrounded by dogs, is a truthful representation of the vast heathen world. Physically and spiritually poor, broken and bruised in body and spirit, they lie at our gate and make their piteous and powerful appeal.

1. Look at their poverty. Their labor is miserably cheap. The very necessities of life are too dear to be bought. Many millions will lie down to-night on an earthen floor, after having partaken of a stinted meal, that cannot satisfy their hunger. Failure of a single crop means famine, and famine means death to myriads. Missionaries can never forget the abject poverty of the heathen. Our own Hattie Judson died a few years ago with the cry of India's famine-stricken millions on her lips. "Feed me! feed me!" she pleaded in her delirium. And she in that awful famine with her own hands had fed hundreds.

2. Look at their spiritual needs. They have not the Bible. They know not Jesus. Gods many, cruel and capricious, lying and lustful, are their gods. In China a man's financial position is considered of more importance than the honor and purity of his daughters. Hence they are sold under the most distressing conditions. Take from our land the comforts of civilisation, and the glories of the gospel, and our country would be enveloped in darkness. So the heathen are hopeless without Christ. Their own religions have left them unsatisfied.

3. Look at their nearness. They lie at our gate, yea, at our very doors. The world in the last 50 years has grown so small. Time and space have been annihilated. Within a few days we can come into contact with millions who are starving for the living Bread. This nearness of the heathen imposes a greater obligation on every one of us. Our Master's command to all is, "Give ye them to eat." Let there be not only an increase this year of living link churches, but may there be some who will thrill the brotherhood with the announcement that from henceforth they will be living link disciples.

Go or Send; Go or Give.



In the Realm of the Bible School.



THE SUFFERING SAVIOUR.

Sunday School Lesson for July 9,

"The Suffering Servant of Jehovah," Isa. 52: 13-53: 12.

A. R. MAIN, B.A.

Isaiah is "the evangelical prophet." More clearly than any other he was privileged to foretell the coming of the world's Saviour. The chapter which constitutes our lesson is one of the favorite chapters of all Christians. It has been called "the golden passionate of the Old Testament evangelist." Delitzsch said, "It is the centre of this wonderful book of consolation and is the most central, the deepest, and the loftiest thing that the Old Testament prophecy, outstripping itself, has ever achieved." "Here," says another writer, "we seem to enter the holy of holies of Old Testament prophecy—that sacred chamber wherein are pictured and foretold the sufferings of Christ and the glory which should follow."

The description of Jesus Christ and his work is so exact and detailed that it might well have been written after the advent of Jesus. Yet we know that Isaiah wrote seven centuries before our Saviour's death. The marvellous correspondence, when we keep this fact in mind, attests at once the works of Jesus and the book of the prophet as divine. "Of whom speaketh the prophet this?" asked a devout student of Isaiah (Acts 8: 34). When once the story of the Christ, who died on Calvary, was told, the enquirer was satisfied, and accepted Jesus as Christ and Son of God. We may quote the words of George Adam Smith, and say, "None but prejudiced Jews have ever denied that this great prophecy, known as the 53rd of Isaiah, was fulfilled in One Person, Jesus of Nazareth, and achieved in all its details by him alone."

The shame, sufferings, innocence and death of the Saviour are depicted. How exact the description is known to every gospel reader. There is no need, and no space, here to detail the correspondence. Many of Isaiah's words live in our memories. Almost every Christian knows verses 3 to 7 by heart. The world knows who was the "man of sorrows." We never see a lamb led to the slaughter or a "sheep before her shearers" without thinking of the Saviour, meek and lowly in heart. We notice how Isaiah dwells on the vicarious nature of the Christ's suffering. A dozen times in the chapter he declares that the suffering was for the sake of others. The wonderful minuteness of the prophecy is seen in the declaration that in his death Jesus would be associated with the wicked and the rich (we think of the thieves and of Joseph). More: We have the ultimate exaltation of Jesus revealed. Though he died, he should "see his seed" and "prolong his days." He should be "satisfied" though he suffered. The man of sorrows was a man of

joy. "Satisfied," because he knew that his sufferings would mean the world's redemption; because that was the fruit of his own sorrow.

The lesson and missions.

Isaiah 53 deals with the central truth of our religion. It contains the message which we must take to the world. It is because we believe in the suffering Saviour that we engage in missionary work. It is because we have here revealed the cure for the world's disease of sin that we

sufferings and his visage marred by these, there should be found many nations who should rise up in startled wonder and reverence on the discovery of his subsequent exaltation." We to-day see the prophecy in course of fulfilment. In chapter 53, we have further hints. We read in verses 4 and 5 of "our griefs," "our sorrows," "our transgressions," "our iniquities," and "our peace." Whose? Not of one nation alone. He will "justify many" (v. 11). "He bare the sin of many" (v. 12). This last sentence reminds us of our Saviour's words: "My blood...shed for many" (Matt. 26: 28). We know what that "many" referred to. His love extended to the whole world. It may be that Isaiah himself did not know of the world-wide application of his words, but the Spirit of God who gave him the message knew, and the Apostle Peter assures us that the Old Testament prophets had revealed to them the fact that they ministered not to their own age alone, but to the generations yet to come (1 Peter 1: 10-12).

The great facts told in Isaiah 53 are the things which appeal to the hearts of men. The story of One who was wounded for our transgressions, who bore our iniquities, carried our sorrows, appeals as nothing else does. The consciousness of men responds to such a doctrine. There is in this gospel an answer to the world's need. The World Missionary Conference reports give many instances:—"There are many testimonies from Africa to the effect that the deepest impression is made by the doctrines of the person and the work of Christ. The sacrifice for sin and redemption by blood have the greatest power of appeal." "The preaching of the cross of Christ affects many, and gives a sense of sin." "The Baganda have hailed with enthusiasm the doctrine of a Saviour willing to die for them." "What appeals to the Bantu heathen is the cross of Christ, with its call to repentance, because of its promise and assurance of forgiveness, and also because it is a solution of the suffering of the world." "I believe it to be true of India, as of all other lands, that the gospel truth which really possesses the greatest power of appeal is that of the sin-bearing Saviour, the condemned sinner's substitute, laying down his life as a ransom for men because God loves them." These are the testimonies of missionaries. A native preacher witnesses as follows: "The death of our Lord on the cross and his prayer, 'Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do,' make an especial appeal to me. It was the sense of sin that forced me to accept Christ as my Lord and my Saviour." Such is the general feeling. If the preaching of the suffering Saviour will not win men, doubtless nothing will. It is the gospel of a crucified Saviour which is God's power unto salvation. Men may desire at times other messages, but they need this. The greatest of the apostles has left us the example and the motive. He spent his days in preaching Christ and him crucified. He declared that the love of Christ compelled him (2 Cor. 5: 14).



work and give and pray for the extension of the knowledge of him who fulfilled the prophecy of our lesson.

We have in our text indications of the widespread influence of Jesus and of the cosmopolitan nature of his work. We read, "So shall he sprinkle many nations" (52: 15); the purification which was of old provided for one chosen people is extended to the nations beyond. (See Num. 19: 20.) Probably the marginal reading, "So shall he *startle* many nations," should be accepted; it is more in harmony with the context. The force of the "as" and the "so" of verses 14 and 15 seems to be that "in correspondence with the amazement (mingled with aversion) felt by many at the spectacle of his

FORM OF BEQUEST
IN A WILL.

I give and bequeath unto the Foreign Missionary Committee of the Churches of Christ in the State of (here insert what State in the Commonwealth) the sum of for the purposes of the Mission, and the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of such Committee will be a sufficient discharge for such bequest.



Japanese Girls Playing Kitsune Ken.

FORM IN THE CASE
OF LAND.

I devise unto the Foreign Missionary Committee of the State of (here insert what State) for the purposes of the Mission, all (here describe the land fully, and if buildings erected on the land) together with all buildings thereon.

(Wills must be signed, dated, and witnessed by two witnesses)

Let us all Join
Hands

F. M. LUDBROOK,
Federal F. M. President.

In America a farmer had a vast area of land under wheat. It was not divided by fences, but was all in one great paddock. It was close upon harvest time, and as he looked over the sea of ripening grain he congratulated himself as he thought of the great wealth that now seemed to be assured to him. So he turned away to his work. His little boy, Charlie, was playing on the fringe of the golden wheat, and seeing a butterfly, cap in hand, set out after it. The butterfly, eluding pursuit, finally lured the little fellow into the wheat. Tea-time came and Charlie was missing. "He must be lost in the wheat," said the alarmed mother. All hands set out to find the boy. Even after sunset by the aid of lanterns, the search continued. All was fruitless.

"He will die of the cold," cried his now distracted mother. Before daybreak a great number of men mustered to renew the search.

"Sir," said one of them to the former, "the field is large, but there are now many helpers. If we all join hands along this edge of the wheat and then march steadily into it, we shall spoil the wheat, but we are bound to find the boy. The suggestion was adopted, and within an hour or so, deep in the sea of wheat the boy was found. Indeed, it could not be otherwise, for none refused. None could refuse to join hands in such an undertaking.

July 2 is Foreign Mission Sunday. Let us all, 20,000 strong, join hands (who can refuse?) and the lost ones lost in a vast sea of ignorance and wretchedness and heathenism, will surely be found.

The Foreign Missionary Committee is the reservoir that collects the thousand rivulets of missionary offerings to concentrate them in large streams of well directed power.

The Work of Miss Tilley
BARAMATI, INDIA

One afternoon it seemed rather hotter than usual, and one was feeling perhaps there was not to be an opportunity given for witnessing, when a Marathibai, beckoning to us, said, "You must be tired after walking so far in the sun. Come and sit here. Don't you recognise me? I was amongst the crowd of women who listened to your story some days ago." How gladly we accepted her invitation. As we were sitting there a woman in great distress came and asked me if I could not get the husband of her dead child punished. He had hit her with a piece of iron and beaten her with a long stick, and as this had proved fatal, he threw her down a well. The little girl thus treated was eleven years old and had been with the husband nearly two years. How the poor mother grieved about her little one. We heard the police were making enquiries into the matter. After a time the women came crowding round, so we sang a gospel hymn, and had the privilege of telling the gospel to about 40 listeners.

G. L. WHARTON'S LAST LETTER

On October 22, 1906, G. L. Wharton wrote his last letter to his wife, of which the following is an extract:—

"We are all Christians, and we must show how true Christians can live, suffer and die. 'To live is Christ: to die is gain.' The best is to come. For your sake, and the children's, I would like to live a few more years. I like living in such a world now—living for God and every good cause. But when the Lord is ready for me to commence my service where there is no more sin, sickness, sorrow, pain or death, it will be glorious to go home where we will soon rejoin each other. Whatever is before us, let us be brave and hopeful, and, above all, faithful."

Every word the expression of a triumphant faith.

A Word from the
Federal Treasurer

R. LYALL,
Melbourne, Victoria.



Another year of service has passed away since last July offering, which was so liberally responded to by the brotherhood of our Commonwealth. The F. M. Committee gratefully acknowledge the splendid gifts both from the churches and individual members. Our work continues to expand and absorbs the large revenue as it comes along.

The F. M. page in the CHRISTIAN has told you of the various movements along the way. Our visiting missionaries, Bro. and Sister Strutton, have spoken of the growth of the Australian Station, while the letters from Aoba and Pentecost record good work being done. This year Bro. and Sister Watson leave Victoria to strengthen the staff at Baramati and to open up new work amongst the Bampton Thieves Colony.

We look for the continued interest and practical support of the brotherhood, hitherto so generously extended.

Our Bequest Fund has provided a most useful part of our financial arrangements. Some brethren who intend at their death to leave sums of money for F. M. work, but require the interest on the amounts during their life-time, have handed money to the Committee, which has been used to acquire mission property. We are paying interest regularly, and at the death of the donors the amounts will go to the F. M. work. During the life-time of the givers they see their money doing good work. For the guidance of those who wish to remember the F. M. work, in their last wills and testaments, we print above a form of bequest to guide them in so doing.

One hundred years ago there were barely one hundred lonely, poorly equipped foreign missionaries in all the world. Today there are nineteen thousand of them scattered in every land that the sun shines on.

£3,300 is our aim this year for the Australian Churches to give to the world wide work.

We can do it, if we will.

We will do it, for we can.

We can do it, and we will.

We can do it, for God wills it.

Last Year's Aim:

S.A.—	£700
Vic.—	£1,000
N.S.W.—	£600
W.A.—	£250
QLD.—	£150
TAS.—	£75
TOTAL	£2,775



This Year's Aim:

S.A.—	£1,000
VIC.—	£1,000
N.S.W.—	£750
W.A.—	£250
QLD.—	£250
TAS.—	£50
TOTAL	£3,300

Fujiyama, the Sacred Mountain of Japan.

Bro. and Sister P. A. Davey work faithfully in Tokyo, Japan. F. M. Rains said Bro. Davey was considered by some to be the best all-round missionary in Japan to-day. He preaches, teaches, evangelises; is secretary and treasurer of committees, and is doing a work that is being owned by God.

WELSHMEN PLEASE READ.

New South Wales 3883 Church of Christ Members.

In Account with the Lord Jesus Christ's command to preach the gospel to every creature.

Cash Statement

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
To 1 Gift of £50	£50 0 0	By Cash remitted towards support of Missionary Workers .. .	
To 2 Gifts of £25	50 0 0	By Mary Thompson and Native Workers, Harda, India .. .	
To 10 Gifts of £10	100 0 0	By F. G. Filmer and Wife, and Native Teachers, Pentecost Island, New Hebrides .. .	
To 20 Gifts of £5	100 0 0	By F. J. Purdy, Wife and Children, Teachers, Aoba Island, New Hebrides .. .	
To 100 Gifts of £1	100 0 0	By Rosa L. Tonkin, and Bible Woman, China .. .	
To 100 Gifts of 10/-	50 0 0	By Percy Davey, Wife, two Children, and Bible Student, Tokyo, Japan .. .	
To 100 Gifts of 5/-	25 0 0	By H. H. Strutton and Wife, Rosa Tilley, Edith Terrell, Bro. and Sister Watson and Native Teachers, Baramati, India .. .	
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To 1000 Gifts of 6d.	25 0 0		
To 1450 Gifts of 3d.	18 2 6		
3883 Gifts from 3883 Members ..	£580 12 6		

KEEP NEAR THE TOP.

I ought to give £ s. d.
I will give .. £ s. d.

Sign both and put gift in offering on July 2, or send to

GEO. T. WALDEN,
98 Stanmore-rd.,

Stanmore.

Bro. Shah tells of his month's work in Harda, India.

During the month of April, 1911, I had the pleasure of visiting 28 villages, and preached 64 times in 38 places. Over 800 people have heard the gospel. 69 books (Gospel portions, tracts, etc.) were sold. Night meetings were very interesting. During the last three months, I had the pleasure of selling 401 gospel tracts, and 3 New Testaments.

I see a kind of thirst among the people around, for the Word of God. I have been working here for the last 18 years, but never have I felt such eager thirst among the people.

DO NOT SAY

"If you go and preach against their religions it will only make them angry."

There are worse things than making people angry! If a man is lying asleep across the rails, and you rudely seize him and drag him away just as the train is upon him, you may make him angry. But what do you care for that? The man is in danger and must be saved!

But we do not go "to preach against their religions." There is no need to do that. We have a better theme. *We go to preach Christ.*

WORK FOR JULY 2.

FROM THE FIELD



The whole gospel for the whole world through the whole church.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

West Australia.

West Australia's Aim, £250.

Last year W.A. gave £172.

Sec., C. J. Garland, 159 Grosvenor-rd., North Perth.

Treas., C. A. G. Payne, Post Master, Guildford.

EAST PINGELLY.—The work is proceeding steadily here. The church meets for worship every Lord's day. We also conduct a meeting once a month for gospel work. Bro. Manning was with us from Brookton last Lord's day morning and delivered a very helpful exhortation. Bro. W. Vinicombe has consented to take up the work of preaching the Word, Bro. Manning having decided to devote his whole time in Brookton for a while. There is a good interest manifested in the meetings, and we are looking for the fruits of our labors and a faithful proclamation of the truth.—H. J. Vinicombe, June 2.

New Zealand.

New Zealand supports Bro. and Sister Hadfield, and Bro. Mansill, in South Africa, and stands by Bro. Sherriff. A mighty work is being done.

AUCKLAND (Ponsonby-rd.).—Several brethren and sisters from Avondale were present at the Bible Class last Wednesday evening, to witness the baptism of a married lady who came out for Christ at Avondale the previous Sunday evening. On Sunday night Bro. Turner again administered the rite, this time to a youth, the son of an isolated member, Sister Berry, who was passing through Auckland, to join her husband in South Africa.—F.D., June 5.

NELSON.—The meeting for prayer and Bible study last Wednesday established a record. Services last Lord's day largely attended, and grand interest manifested. Visitors: Bro. O'Connor, Vivian-st., Wellington; Sister Muriel Ames, Bro. and Sister Limmer, Lower Moutere; Bro. Langford, Bainham; and Sister Richardson, isolated member. One good fact is observed, viz., the rustling of leaves for Scriptural references and readings; this applies equally to the Bible School, thanks to the timely influence of Bro. Verco. Fine evening with the Endeavorers, Monday.—G.M.J., May 30.

WANGANUI.—Matters here have again reached their normal condition after the Conference sittings. Children's services are being made a special feature of our meetings. Bro. Rix speaks for a few minutes to them on Sunday evenings. We have to report the departure of a valued member, in the person of Bro. Frank Purnell, who has taken up farm work for a few months, preparatory to entering the College of the Bible to fit himself for the work of preaching the gospel. For the purpose of gaining physical strength and

fitness for the ordeal of College life, he is entering upon a course of country life. As an earnest Christian and sincere worker, Bro. Purnell's departure will be keenly felt, but the fact that he is the third from here to take up the ministry, lessens what otherwise would be a severe blow to the church. A Y.M.C.A. campaign has been carried on in Wanganui lately, being extended over a period of ten days. We were represented by a team of seven, under the captaincy of Bro. H. Bell. The team was instrumental in raising over £105 during the ten days. May God abundantly bless the efforts put forth to rescue our young men who drift aimlessly about the streets. The various branches of the church are working steadily, and we look forward to profitable times in the near future.—H. Siddall.

Queensland.

Queensland's Aim, £250.

Last year Queensland gave £202.

Sec., L. Gole, MacRobertson's, Brisbane.

Treas., D. Whyte, 54 Annie-st., New Farm, Brisbane.

GYMPIE.—On June 4, Bro. Johnson preached the gospel, and in response a young woman confessed Christ. June 6, on his return visit, A. W. Jinks, State Evangelist, conducted a special meeting, and at the close a man and his wife confessed Christ. Bro. Jinks also baptised three penitent believers on the same evening. The Eel Creek disciples came five miles in full force to attend the special service. A capable and energetic preacher could accomplish much good in this district.

TOOWOOMBA.—Splendid meetings last week. Bro. Miller spoke to a good congregation at night, his subject being "Where Do You Stand?" At the close one young man confessed Christ, and was buried in baptism on Tuesday night. Two received by letter—Bro. and Sister Skerman, from Mooloola, on Sunday morning. We also had Bro. T. Bailey visiting us from Helidon. Good meetings yesterday; 70 met to remember the Lord. Commenced a three months' Sunday School rally yesterday. The young man who was baptised on Tuesday night received the right hand of fellowship yesterday morning.—W. F. Brooks.

MARYBOROUGH.—On May 25 a welcome social was given the State Evangelist, Bro. A. W. Jinks. On June 4, Bro. Jinks exhorted the church, addressed the Bible School, and preached the gospel, and as the result of the day's work 13 Bible School scholars confessed Christ as Lord. The State Evangelist, Bible School teachers, and others were delighted. Appreciation of Bro. Jinks' evening address on "The New Testament Church," was expressed by outsiders. An energetic preacher could do much good here.

MA MA CREEK.—All departments of church work are progressing very well. Two baptised believers united with us; two confessed Christ at the gospel meeting on May 28, and one last night after a good gospel meeting, Bro. Jones preaching. Bro. J. Larsen addressed the church in the absence of evangelist. The sisters have organised

a Dorcas Class. President, Sister Sherman; vice-president, Sister Cole; treas., Sister E. Johnson; sec., Sister M. A. Larsen.—T.A.C., June 5.

ZILLMERE.—On Lord's day, May 28, Bro. Waters addressed the church in the morning, and preached the gospel to a good congregation in the evening. On Lord's day, June 4, we had the pleasure of listening to a good discourse by Bro. Waters, and on the same evening our brother spoke. Although the night was cold, we had a very good meeting, 61 being present. Our brother is working hard to send things forward. Then on Monday evening, June 5, we had the pleasure of listening to Bro. Hagger, who gave us a very pleasant and instructive limelight lecture on his travels to America via Great Britain. We are greatly indebted to Bro. Hagger for his inspiring lecture, and also to Bro. L. Gole, in procuring the lantern for us, free of cost, and also for coming out and attending to it while Bro. Hagger spoke.—J. Bruce.

South Australia.

South Australia's Aim, £1000.

Last year S.A. gave £977.

Sec., I. A. Paternoster, Hindmarsh.

Treas., T. Colebatch, Miller-st., North Unley.

GROTE-ST.—The anniversary tea in connection with the Sunday School was held on Wednesday, May 31, there being about 500 scholars and parents present. At 7.30 the scholars and friends were entertained in the chapel by moving pictures. The secretary of the S.S. presented the annual report, which testified that the school is in a most flourishing condition. Last Lord's day, June 4, we had good meetings. Bro. Thomas addressed the church in the morning, and Bro. D. A. Ewers preached the gospel service at night. On June 11, very fine meetings. This was a special men's day. Bro. Bown, son of our esteemed Bro. Wm. Bown, was received into membership. At the afternoon service Mr. S. G. Griffith, our State Evangelist, gave an address on "David's Sin and Sorrow." There were about 70 men present, and at the close one came forward to make the good confession. The church was full at the evening service. A large number of men were present. Bro. Thomas gave a stirring address, and at the close three men came forward to acknowledge Christ. Special singing was given by the male choir, and Bros. Frank Cleveland and Arthur Morphet sang a duet, "David and Goliath." The collection in aid of the Y.M.C.A. totalled £4/2/6.—W.J.M., June 11.

GLENELG.—Splendid meetings all day yesterday. After an address on "Christ the Door," a married woman made the good confession. We have had the pleasure of the company of Bro. D. Finlayson and his wife, the last few Lord's days. They have come to reside in the district. The walls of our new building are up, and we are hoping soon to announce the opening. All departments of work are in a prosperous condition, and we are working and praying for a rich harvest.—E. W. Pittman.

KADINA.—On Thursday evening, June 8, Bro. Rowland gave a good address on "A Good Foundation." This morning we had a very nice meeting. Sister Dingle was present with us. Also had a well attended school this afternoon. Tonight we again had a fine congregation, when the writer gave an address on "Is it well with thee?" At the close of the address Morris Ward, son of Bro. and Sister Ward, of the Queenstown church, confessed Jesus. The prospects are very bright here for the future.—E. G. Warren, June 11.

QUEENSTOWN.—Splendid meetings since last report. On Wednesday, June 7, we had with us, at our mid-week service, S. G. Griffith, who spoke of the mission so successfully carried on at Balaklava. Lord's day, June 11, 107 broke bread, and W. C. Brooker, who presided, feelingly referred to the loss of Sister Tubal, a teacher in the Bible School, who with her family are leaving for the West Coast. At the close of the Bible School in the afternoon the supt., C. E. Lawton, in saying farewell to our sister, handed her a Bible to mark the Christian love and esteem in which she was held, and trusted that she would, under the care of our heavenly Father, continue her work. A commencement was made to-day with the kindergarten class, numbering 28. Sisters Hill and Currie are the instructors. In the evening a number met half an hour earlier, when prayers were offered up on behalf of the effort at Mile End, to be commenced that night by S. G. Griffith, State Evangelist. At the gospel service the building was filled. W. C. Brooker spoke.

MILE END.—I know how much space is wasted by long reports about very little, and that is why I seldom send any, but there are two or three items of interest. 1. We held a social recently to say good-bye to Bro. and Sister S. W. Edwards and family, and Sister Taylor, Mrs. E.'s sister, who have removed to Berri, on the Murray. It was a very hearty send off, several speakers, and tokens of loving esteem presented to the whole six. Bro. E. was a deacon, and he and his wife were S.S. teachers, and active in all the church work. They will be greatly missed. 2. The church anniversary was celebrated on June 4. Despite unfavorable weather, we had good meetings. Speakers were C. L. Thurgood, a.m., and J. E. Thomas, p.m. It was a feast of fat things, in fact, two feasts. The chapel was nicely decorated. 3. Our tent mission begins tomorrow, 11th. We have been making great preparations. If only half as successful as that magnificent mission at Balaklava, we shall be hugely thankful.—D.A.E., June 10.

NORTH ADELAIDE.—The twenty-seventh anniversary tea and public meeting of the Band of Hope was held on Monday evening, June 5. The wet weather was responsible for a small attendance at the tea, but the public meeting, presided over by the president, Dr. J. C. Verco, was far better attended. The secretary, Bro. A. Downs, in his report stated 12 meetings had been held during the year, with an average attendance of 53, and six pledges had been signed. A good programme was rendered. The chairman gave an encouraging address, urging the members to attend regularly and punctually, and render the exercises assigned them, while Bro. D. A. Ewers, of Mile End, took as his subject, "Snakes," and compared the ravages of the drink traffic to these insidious reptiles. The prizes were then distributed to the successful competitors. A comprehensive vote of thanks was tendered to all who had in any way assisted in making the anniversary so successful. The meeting closed by the singing of the National Anthem.—V.B.T., June 12.

SEMAPHORE.—Since last report the subject of a chapel has been much discussed, and we have been successful in obtaining a loan necessary to carry out the work. Since the Church Extension Fund does not permit, owing to lack of funds, we hope for an early start with the erection of the building. Lord's day, 4th, fine meeting. Bro. Bradley presided. W. J. Taylor exhorted and extended the right hand of fellowship to Sister Heinzell, by letter from Unley. The gospel service in the evening was well attended. W. J. Taylor spoke. Sister Leadner sang a solo. Lord's

day, 11th, Bro. Coin, from Queenstown, presided; 64 broke bread, and W. J. Taylor exhorted. He also spoke at the gospel service in the evening, which was well attended. Sister Weeks sang a solo.

Victoria.

Victoria's Aim, £1000.
Last year Victoria gave £906.
Sec., F. M. Ludbrook, 225 Collins-st., Melbourne.
Treas., R. Lyall, Leveson-st., North Melbourne.
Organising Secretary, T. B. Fischer, Chesterville-rd., Cheltenham.

ASCOT VALE.—The anniversary services of the Bible School were concluded on May 30 and June 1. Despite inclement weather we had a good attendance on Tuesday evening, when the scholars presented a very creditable programme. The presentation of prizes was con-

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Aim for 1911-12, £3,300.
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Sec., T. B. Fischer, Chesterville-rd., Cheltenham, Victoria.

ducted by Bro. W. A. Kemp, our supt. Thursday evening was the scholars' tea and bioscope entertainment, both of which were evidently much appreciated. The annual business meeting of the teachers was held on June 10, when the following officers were appointed: Supt., W. A. Kemp; sec., D. R. Moncur; asst. sec., W. Brown; treas., L. Gillespie. The new year will be the coming of age year for the Bible School, being the 21st since the school commenced. We pray God's blessing on our work, and hope that this year many may be gathered into the fold.—A.E.B.

BRIGHTON.—Three received into fellowship last Lord's day morning, and two at the evening service, one of the latter being a man who was baptised at the gospel meeting.—P.H.L., June 12.

BRUNSWICK.—In the morning, Bro. C. Scott presided. Bro. W. Dickens, from Preston, ex-

horted; topic, "Our High Priest." Bro. Way preached at night on "Four Good Neighbors." One confession and three immersions; fair audience despite the cold. The temporary address of the secretary, W. Thompson, is, c/o Mrs. Telfer, corner Sedgman and Albert-sts., Brunswick.—W.T., June 12.

CARLTON (Lygon-st.).—Sunday last was a dull, bleak day, but for all that we had bright and happy meetings. We were pleased to have with us at the breaking of bread, Sister Benson, seur., after an absence of about two years in Japan, visiting Bro. and Sister Percy Davey. Bro. Kingsbury spoke morning and evening, giving two fine addresses, the subject at night being "Timely Seeking." At the close of the discourse there was one confession. A social meeting was held on Monday last in the lecture hall in connection with the cradle roll, when the mothers with their little ones, and the junior scholars of the school, spent a very pleasant evening. A number of pictures were shown by Bro. F. Payne, and the connective readings by Bro. F. McClean, senr., interspersed with songs and recitations. At the conclusion of the meeting, coffee and cake were handed round.—J.McC.

COLAC.—Despite weather conditions, meetings are being well attended. The writer has felt it necessary to change his field of labor, and has resigned from the H.M. service. For two years they have been working in this field, and now there is a fine cause, with prospects very promising if the work is continued. We are praying that the Lord of the harvest may raise up a suitable worker, so that the work may not suffer through neglect. Such an one might also do something to help the other churches in the Western district, which badly need assistance. The church is united and earnest, and gradually forging ahead. The writer expects to begin work at Bendigo on July 2.—A. W. Connor, June 12.

NORTH FITZROY.—We were pleased to receive the confession of another young man on Sunday evening at the conclusion of Bro. Baker's message on "The Majesty of Jesus Christ." We are preparing for Foreign Mission Sunday offering. Bro. Baker is in real earnest, and is picture painting every opportunity.—J.C., June 12.

PRAHRAN.—On Sunday and Monday, June 4 and 5, we celebrated the 53rd anniversary of our Sunday School. In the afternoon Bro. Gordon gave an address to the children, and kept both children and adults very much interested, and in the evening gave a stirring address to a good congregation. His subject was, "Why I Belong to the Church of Christ." On the Monday we brought our anniversary to a successful close with a tea at 6.30 p.m., and public meeting at 8 p.m., when a good gathering of friends were entertained with songs and recitations from the children. We were very pleased to have with us at this meeting Bro. T. B. Fischer as chairman, and Bro. Quick, who distributed the prizes to the children. The children's singing reflected great credit on Bro. Les. Brooker, of Collingwood. This is the second time we have been indebted to Bro. Brooker for coming to our assistance, and we appreciate his kindness, and we are sure the result of his efforts must have well repaid him.—A.E.M.



BERWICK.—Bro. Swan has taken up the work here in the place of Bro. Hall. Last Sunday Bro. Swan gave excellent addresses, in the evening a memorial address in memory of Bro. Aurisch.—E.E.H.

ASCOT VALE.—Ascot Vale Church of Christ Boys' Endeavor Society held its second anniversary on May 16 last. The attendance was good. The programme, which was given solely by our boys, went off splendidly. A medley of hymns, which was sung by about 20 of the junior boys, was quite a novelty. The annual report showed that the past year had been a prosperous and enjoyable one. The work done by our Endeavor, and the way that our meetings are carried out, is doing a great deal in keeping the boys together. A well deserved word of thanks was conveyed to the officers from the members for the time they had spent in helping the society along.—F. Kefford, June 5.

Tasmania.

Tasmania's Aim, £50.

Last year Tasmania gave £36.

Sec., N. J. Warmbrun, 197 Campbell-st., Hobart.

Treas., H. C. Rodd, 195 Murray-st., Hobart.

CENTRAL PRESTON.—With regret we bid Bro. J. D. Byard good-bye. He has left here for Mole Creek. I am sure we will miss him very much. He has worked faithfully in this district, preaching the gospel and giving the church some very uplifting exhortations. In all kinds of weather Bro. Byard did his duty.—Geo. Howard, June 6.

LAUNCESTON.—On Lord's day, June 4th, the remains of our aged and beloved Bro. Moffit were laid to rest, Bro. Manifold officiating. Despite the inclement weather, a good number of brethren and friends assembled in respect to the memory of our departed brother. Our thanks are due to the church at Hobart for granting us the timely and efficient services of Bro. Manifold. Sister F. Yole has resigned the position of district nurse and, to increase her knowledge and experience, gone to study and practise in the Eye and Ear Hospital, Melbourne.—Peter Orr.

New South Wales.

New South Wales' Aim, £750.

Last year, N.S.W. gave £710.

Sec. and Treas., G. T. Walden, Stanmore-rd., Stanmore.

TUGGERAH LAKES.—The gospel mission held here by Bro. Hugh Rodger was not the success we expected, and with the exception of about three nights only a few attended the meetings. On Lord's day, May 14, we had Bro. J. Fraser, from Merewether, with us, who exhorted the church and preached the gospel in the afternoon to a fair audience. As a result of the mission two young girls confessed Christ, and were received into the church.—J. H. Colmer, June 6.

ENMORE.—In continuation of anniversary celebration, a large and enthusiastic meeting was held on Wednesday evening, June 7. In place of the orthodox tea, a dinner was provided by the sisters, the abundance of good things amply testifying to the general prosperity of sunny New South Wales. The after meeting, presided over

by Bro. J. Hunter, was a decided success. Special items, all above the average, were contributed by Kindergarten, Junior Endeavor, Band of Hope, choir, and Enmore Male Quartette. All concerned deserve special mention, and helped to make the meeting the best anniversary ever held.—C.A.R., June 11.

ROOKWOOD.—Bro. Williams spoke to the church assembled this morning on "The Ideal Morning Meeting." One lesson we learned is this—the congregation should be prepared as well as the leaders. Bro. Wilkins conducted the gospel service. Though few in number, we received blessings each time.

HAMILTON.—The Bible Class spent a very enjoyable evening at the home of Bro. W. D. More, on June 10. It took the form of a "book social," every student representing a book. A sisters' sewing class has now been formed; all are interested. The officers are as follows: Sister Mrs. More, president; Sister Blakemore, vice-president; Sister S. G. Goddard, treas.; and Sister Miss Prigg, sec. Sister More has kindly offered the use of her home and sewing machine for the above purpose. Splendid attendance at the gospel service; great interest manifested. Bro. More is pleased with the outlook. No shillings for our building fund, I am sorry to say.—S. G. Goddard.

NORTH SYDNEY.—On Wednesday, June 7, we were pleased to see a very large number present at the mid-week meeting. A large number of members from Mosman attended, when the baptism was witnessed of two young people who had made the good confession at Mosman. At the morning meeting on Sunday last, A. E. Illingworth gave a stirring address on "Missions," and emphasised the need of supporting Home and Foreign Missions. At the gospel service W. H. Wooster gave a splendid address on "Visions of God." We were pleased to see visitors from Enmore City Temple and other places.—W.J.M.

MEREWETHER.—Last Tuesday evening we had the joy of witnessing two young people put on Christ in the ordinance of baptism. There was a good attendance at this meeting. Bro. More exhorted the church on Lord's day morning. In the evening the gospel message was proclaimed by Bro. T. Newburn.—S.L., June 12.

MOSMAN.—On Wednesday evening last about 25 of the Mosman church attended the prayer meeting at North Sydney, at the conclusion of which two who had previously made the good confession at Mosman, were baptised. Sister Guilfoyle and Bro. Earle were received into fellowship on Lord's day morning, when R. Verco addressed the church. The afternoon attendance at the Bible School was the largest yet recorded.—S.G., June 12.

BELMORE.—At the morning meeting we had Bro. F. J. Collins with us for the first time. His address was a very helpful one. At the gospel service Bro. Browne preached on "The State of the Righteous Dead," it being a memorial service in connection with our late Bro. King. The church at Belmore has accepted the responsibility of engaging her own evangelist, the H.M. Committee subsidising us. The church has engaged Bro. Browne for a period of twelve months. We are looking forward to doing a great work in this growing district. As a means of helping the work on, we have started a campaign to raise £100 towards the reduction of our debt before Nov. 30. If we reach this amount we have promises of £27/10/- in addition. The total promised to date is £57. Will the brethren in other parts help us? We are doing our utmost. Send your promises now, and money at your convenience, before Nov. 30.—A. A. Barratt, Kent-st., Belmore.

PADDINGTON.—On Wednesday, June 7, a social reunion of church members was held to mark the commencement of Bro. A. E. Illingworth's fourth year of ministry. A splendid programme was provided, and several short addresses given. To show our appreciation of their services, Bro. G. P. Jones, on behalf of the church, presented Bro. Illingworth with a small purse of sovereigns, and Sister Illingworth with a handbag. Bro. Illingworth, in responding, thanked

the brethren for the tangible expressions of appreciation shown by the gifts to himself and Sister Illingworth, also for the kindly feeling existing, and the loyal support during his ministry at Paddington. During the evening the Sisters' Dorcas Class, who have for several years done a good work, handed in a donation of £5 to the building fund. Refreshments were served to all present, and after several more musical items, a very enjoyable evening terminated. We regret to state that our evangelist, Bro. Illingworth, has been called upon to part with his sister, whose body was laid to rest at Katoomba, N.S.W., today. We know that the prayers and sympathy of the whole brotherhood will go out to our brother and sister in their great grief. On June 11 Bro. F. T. Saunders addressed the church, his discourse being much appreciated. Kindly reference was made to the loss sustained by Bro. Illingworth, in the loss of his sister.—A. W. Shearston.

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July 2, 1911.

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Isolated members are kindly asked to send their F.M. offerings direct to their State Treasurers. Let every member have a part in the offering.

This year's Children's day exercises will be entitled, "Sarubai, the Hindoo Girl." The story of one of God's own.

Extra copies of the present issue of the CHRISTIAN, have been sent to agents, who are requested to distribute them to the best advantage.

The picture of the cutting down of the tent which appeared in a previous issue, was not connected with the Balaklava mission, but with the one held in Owen.

Church Secretaries.—Please see that good announcements are made concerning the annual F.M. offering, and see that every member, present or absent, receives an envelope.

A tent mission conducted by S. G. Griffith was commenced at Mile End, S.A., last Lord's day evening with a fine audience, good singing, rousing sermon, and a fine interest.

"Grains of Gold" is the title of a neat six-page folder that is enclosed in the F.M. envelope that is being used in W.A., S.A., Queensland, Tasmania, and Victoria. If you have not seen one, ask your church secretary for one.

Peter Orr, of Launceston, writes:—"Bro. Jas. Byard, we believe, has found something good in the form of a cave near his home at Mole Creek. It exceeds by far, it is said, in extent and magnificence any discovery of a like kind."

It is requested by the Victorian Superintendent of H.M. Committee of the Women's Conference that the circulars recently issued by her, be not distributed until after the F.M. collection is taken up, as she desires that the F.M. appeal on July 2 shall have a free field.

The article in last week's issue on "Pastoral Visitation," by A. C. Rankine, was originally a paper read at the preachers' meeting in Adelaide, at which a resolution was passed that a request be made for its publication in the CHRISTIAN.

We regret to hear of the death of Miss Alice Illingworth, daughter of the late F. Illingworth. She left W.A. some months ago on account of ill-health, and resided at Katoomba, N.S.W., in the hope of making some progress towards recovery. She passed away very peacefully on the 10th inst.

Preachers' meeting held at Grote-st., Monday, June 12. Bro. T. J. Gore gave a very helpful paper on "The Family Altar." Confessions were reported as follows: Grote-st., 5; Norwood, 3;

Glenelg, r. Tent mission commenced at Mile End, and York are preparing for tent next.

Erskineville land fund now stands at £293. £57 more to raise. Send quickly to Geo. Morton, 75 Engine-st., Haymarket, Sydney.

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Several capable and energetic preachers are needed in Queensland. Easy-going preachers need not apply, but men of judgment and ability are urgently needed at once. Preachers who are not afraid of work are requested to write to the Organising Secretary, Bro. A. W. Jinks, Markwell-st., Toowong, Brisbane.

D. A. Ewers, at the preachers' meeting, when commenting on the "Family Altar," told the following experience: "While preaching in a certain State he baptised a man who thought it was his duty to set up the family altar. He was a poor reader, but stumbled through the chapter, and they all knelt in prayer. After the good brother had prayed in a peculiar tone for some time he looked up and in his own tone called to his daughter, 'Mary Ann, are you asleep?' 'No, father,' she replied, and the brother went on praying." Bro. Ewers confessed this incident took all the devotion out of him.—I.A.P.

In many Korean churches, it is a kind of unwritten rule that a new convert must bring someone else to Christ before being admitted into church membership. Mr. Davis says, "I was told of a big burly Korean who had been a drunkard and criminal. He found Christ, and less than a year later, when the missionary visited the heathen district where he lived, he found two hundred believers in three villages as a result of that one man's efforts. In another visit, the membership of the church was recently doubled in a month. Upon investigation it was found to be due largely to the prayers and work of one man. They said the man simply prayed the people into church."

Mr. Harold Begbie, speaking of India's millions, says:—What a challenge to us as a nation endowed with the gift, and favored with the opportunity of rule, these miscellaneous millions offer. And what a responsibility to us as a nation entrusted with the evangel of Christ, they bring. To this vast and varied, this heterogeneous and antagonistic, this racially distinct, socially divided, and religiously opposed mass of people. Christianity has a message. Of them all Jesus Christ is the Redeemer. When will the spirit of conquest, holier and grander than that which ever moved the ambition of soldier, or stirred the heart of Crusader, possess, and dominate, and fire the church of God?

In missionary annals a permanent place will be surely found for the story of Khama, one of Africa's tribal chiefs, and himself a brand plucked from the burning. Son of the great heathen chief Segkome, he was converted at twenty-five, and in the current number of the L.M.S. *Chronicle* a graphic account is given of immense thanksgiving services held to celebrate the jubilee of his Christian life. It reads like a romance. At sunrise 4000 people met at a prayer meeting. On a Sunday morning, one hundred and three new converts were received into the church. At a ten o'clock service, 12,000 assembled for worship. Khama's own address was, perhaps, the most striking feature of the proceedings; it was so full of gratitude and faith and simple trust. What nobler words can a monarch speak to his people than these?—"If we honored God as we honor the things that belong to this world, we shall be a truly great nation." Congratulations from the ends of the earth poured in upon him, and great

was his joy. May the peace of God rest upon him in his fine old age, and spare him for many years more to live Christ before the nation over which he rules!

VICTORIAN HOME MISSIONS.

Bro. Swain has taken up the work in the Mallee circuit pending the appointment of a permanent preacher. It is expected that a brother will soon be appointed.

Bro. Connor will be leaving his work at Colac at the end of the month. He has accepted an engagement with the church at Bendigo. Bro. Connor has been under the Home Mission Committee for 14 years, and has done good work. Bendigo is a great centre, and is worthy of a good man.

Bro. Clipstone, our preacher at Shepparton and Cosgrove, will accept our congratulations on the eve of his marriage with Miss Gilmore, of Drummond. The wedding is to take place on the 14th at Kyneton.

T. Bagley has conducted a mission at Box Hill. 15 have been added to the church. Box Hill and Blackburn are to receive the services of Bren. Nightingale and Chappell. The cause here has a bright prospect.

Bro. Irvine is happy in his work with the church at Middle Park. A good work is being done.

T. Bagley is visiting the churches at Horsham, Polkemmett and Stawell with a view to placing a preacher in that important district.

The Committee hope soon to take up the work again at Warrnambool and Terang.

We appreciate the deep interest being manifested by the sisters in the work of Home Missions. Mrs. Davies is their energetic leader.

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DEATHS.

ILLINGWORTH.—On Saturday, June 10, at Katoomba, New South Wales, Alice, only daughter of the late F. Illingworth, Perth, West Australia. "He giveth his beloved rest."

IN MEMORIAM.

NANKERVIS.—In sad and loving memory of my dear mother, Eliza Emily Nankervis, who fell asleep in Christ her Lord on June 15, 1905.

"Farewell, thou loved one; oh, so good and kind, So sadly missed by those you left behind; But now thou movest in realms beyond the sky, Thy memory here can never, never die."

—Inserted by her loving daughter, Harriett Redman, Blackburn.

CRISP.—In loving memory of our dear Will, who departed this life for a better at Trafalgar, Gippsland, June 12th, 1902.

"Could we learn our Father's reason We perchance with joy might sing."
—Mother.

ANDREWS.—A tribute of love to the memory of our beloved father, Edwin Andrews, late of Railway-st., Rookwood, N.S.W.

"Gone home."
—Inserted by his loving family, who deeply realise their loss.

COMING EVENT.

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Christ's one command to the unbelieving world is "Come." Christ's one command to his believers is "Go." From all the world, sinners seeking salvation must "come" to Christ. To all the world, believers seeking the salvation of others must "go" in the name of Christ. The heathen out of the depths of their misery, say "Come." Christ from the heights of his throne, says "Go." And whither you go, I go; your country shall be my country, and your people shall be my people. "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

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By J. Inglis Wright.

In regard to the work of the Lord Jesus Christ in foreign fields, we feel that there are two great forces which hinder the more rapid advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. These are the weakness of our faith and the lack of a fuller knowledge on the part of the members of all our churches.

Like the father of the poor demon-possessed child, "we believe," but oh! how weakly. If we could but realise more adequately the supreme glory of the Christ, the transforming power of the gospel, and the reality of the divine omnipotence accompanying the message, our activity would be increased many-fold. "We believe"—ay, but the poverty of our belief, if we could but realise it, would urge us to pray with intensest earnestness, "Help thou my unbelief." Then would our efforts be redoubled, as our faith, our belief in the Divine Saviour of mankind increased, broadening and deepening in our hearts.

We do believe,—what has been accomplished within the last two decades bears witness to the fact, and to the gracious blessing of God upon the outcome of our efforts. With a more profound and more intense belief, we shall have a greater and more expansive work with a correspondingly larger measure of the divine blessing.

The lack of knowledge is a second great hindrance. Lord Curzon once observed that "the greatest enemy which India has to fear is the enemy of ignorance." So it is in regard to Foreign Missions with the Christian Church to-day. We must have more knowledge of the actual condition of heathen races, of their awful need of a Saviour, of the way in which there is arising among them a seeking after God. Then indeed, we would show more concern and awake to greater activity. Our churches should be sown knee-deep in Foreign Mission literature, so that the ignorance still so largely existing as to the dwellers in the shadow of darkness might be dispelled, and in regard to the manifold triumphs of the gospel, might be more widely known and appreciated.

We need further, more knowledge in regard to our individual responsibility. Then surely will the offerings of our prayers and our means be more worthy of the Lord Jesus Christ, whose we are and whom we serve.

We of New Zealand joy and rejoice with you, dear brethren of the Commonwealth, in what has been done in Foreign Mission work, and the increasing measure of faith and the fuller light which is continually

being manifested. We thank God for what he has enabled the churches of Australasia to achieve in their respective fields, and we feel that as we realise the illimitable possibilities of faith and knowledge, our aspirations and efforts will leap forth with renewed vigor and consecration to his glory, the salvation of the heathen, and the spiritual development and upbuilding of our churches in the home lands.

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By F. J. Filmer.

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A Word from the South Australian President

Bro. A. C. Rankine, of Norwood, S.A., writes to the South Australian churches:—

We have raised our mark this year to £1000 for Foreign Missions, and on July 2 we trust that the churches of this State will do their best to enable us to reach the amount. This means that there must be increased giving on the part of the members in general. And why should this not be so? The majority of people in connection with the churches here are in a better way financially now than formerly. The Lord has blessed this State abundantly. There are very few people out of work. Wages are higher. What is needed by us more and more is a deeper sense of our privilege of giving of our means, so that the gospel of our blessed Lord shall be made known to those who have never yet heard of redeeming love.

Only the gospel of Christ can effect the desired changes in heathendom. The Lord has designed that "all nations" shall hear the gospel. The church must obey her Lord. And the genius of Christianity is obedience to Christ.



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Boonah, in Queensland. We are very grateful, indeed, for the same, and are certain that we are doing and will continue to do much good with them.

I am sure that you will rejoice with us that the Melanesian Mission has concluded that heathen orgies as practised by South Sea Islanders are incompatible with Christianity. For over 40 years they have allowed these folk to hold caste; have death feasts, wherein a pig is killed that its soul might accompany that of the deceased friend, and kill pigs in devil worship.

The heathen who thought that they would like to prepare for eternity generally preferred their teachers to ours on account of license given. Bishop Wilson has recently been around, condemning the practices mentioned, among their schools up north.

FACTS ABOUT INDIA

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Obituary.

BROWN.—Our young Sister Olive Brown passed to her reward last Monday, after a long illness. Olive was one of our bright young workers, being a member of the Bible School, and the Young Ladies' Sewing Class. Always bright and cheerful, she bore her suffering with wonderful grace. Fourteen weeks earlier her sister passed away, and Olive strove to help her parents bear their grief. Her last words and thoughts were for those left behind. Her influence was so great that many to-day are able to say she made their lives better because she lived. We laid her to rest with the full assurance that "the dead in Christ rise again." Our sympathy is extended to the whole family in their grief. "Thy will be done."
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Two of our aged sisters passed away during the past month—Sisters Leister and Scott. Neither of these sisters had relatives in this State, so were thrown altogether on the kindness of friends. We would particularly mention the kindness shown by the Dorcas sisters in both cases, and to Mrs. Russ, at whose home Mrs. Scott died. Mrs. Leister had expressed a desire that all her belongings should go to the Dorcas Society, because of what they had done for her; and Mrs. Scott, out of her scanty earnings had given the treasurer of the church £8 with which to lay her away. Both sisters, when able, were faithful in their duty toward the Lord's house.
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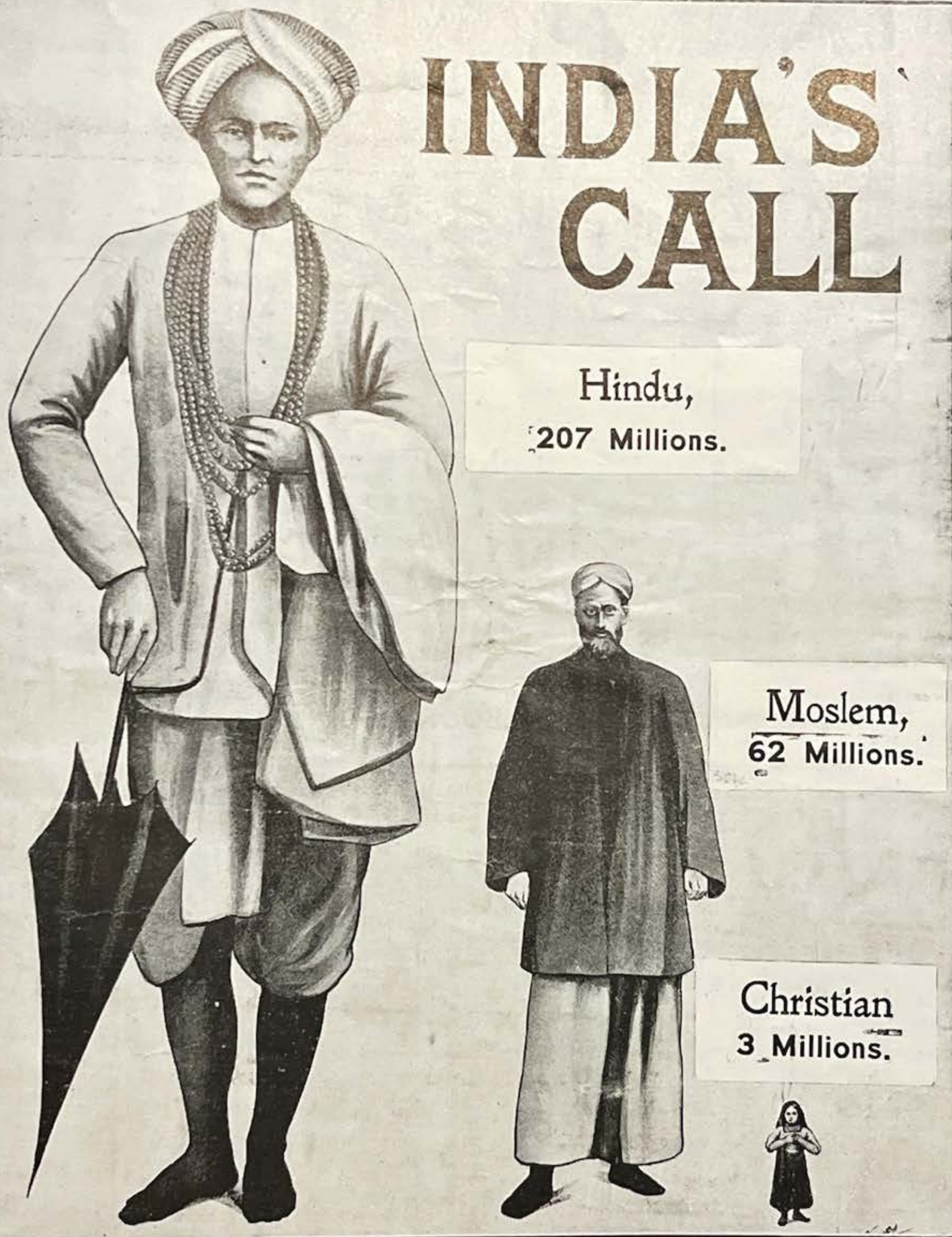
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