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FROM THE EDITOR’S DESK

You have heard the story, perhaps, of the little boy who dreamed that he had lost the Christ-child at Whose image in the great shop he had gazed with delight for days. He searched everywhere,—in the shop, the church, the Baby Hospital; tearfully asking, “Where is Christmas”? But all to no avail. On Christmas morning, with the dream still fresh in mind, he hurried down stairs to find the many gifts he had desired, but most wonderful of all was the image of the Christ-child in the midst, and forgetting his toys, he cried, “Oh, little Christ-child, I’m so glad you came!” The editor of the Woman’s Missionary Friend has brought home so beautifully the message of this sweet Christmas story that we want to share it with you: “What if He had never come? He Whose life is enshrined in some of our dearest and noblest art treasures. He Who has immortalized our music in the themes of hymn and anthem and oratorio. He Who has shown us in literature and life that all values are of the spirit, not of gold and jewels,—the Child Whose birth we celebrate! Where do women and little children suffer pangs unspeakable? In the dark lands where the Christ-child has never held up His torch, and in those portions of kindlier lands where His name has been forgotten. Who gave us the spirit of service that is our greatest source of happiness? The Wonder-child of Bethlehem’s town. What would our lives be—yours and mine—without Him? ‘Oh, little Christ-child, we’re so glad you came!’”

And how much greater our joy and our blessing because we can pass them on—fitted to special needs—in gifts and kindness and work and prayer!... Nearly every mail brings letters of appreciation of our Helper in its new dress; better still are the letters from clergymen, college men, young people, and workers East and West, expressing gratification that the magazine is to be continued; best of all is the growing subscription list, because most practically significant. Do not forget that the India Silver Necklet will be awarded, for one year, to the state making the largest net gain in Helper subscribers. If you failed to read “A Talk with Helper Agents” and the “Publisher’s Department,” announcing premiums, in the October number, please turn to those pages now. Our president writes, “I am so very glad that our people are realizing the great service the Helper renders. Just now the increasing of subscriptions seems to be of paramount importance. How I wish we could
all learn to pray! Not with our lips only, but with our lives, for the cause we love.” President Mauck of Hillsdale College writes of the Helper as “a most valuable force” and “of great service in holding our people together.”....Mrs. Griffin sends interesting notes—too late for this number—of her work among the churches in Michigan where she did splendid service for the Helper. She writes, “If I had put in the notes all the gratitude I feel for the good people that have kept me or taken me from place to place, your good Helper would have no room for even the beginning of it!” Mrs. Griffin wrote from a sick bed in Buffalo where she was brought by too continuous speaking in behalf of the work dear to us all. Pray for her....Good news from India: Miss Barnes writes from Balasore, Oct. 10, “You will be glad to know that two Sinclair Orphanage girls were baptized last Sunday—Jennie and Dukhada, both dear girls, about twelve. Jennie is one of the Cradle Roll children, and Dukhada is supported by Mrs. Lizzie Howe, Gonic, N. H. You may already know of the nine baptisms near Busta of the first people to become Christians in that place. Two well-to-do families, and others are expected to follow. Triumphs of the Gospel. Dr. Mary and Miss Coe are at Kalimpong. Dr. Mary’s knee is improving. She walks about the house with crutches.”....Please read the new announcements on the fourth page of cover. We cannot be too loyal to our own colleges. They are amply worth our loyalty. We are proud of their history and accomplishment, and of the men and women who have gone forth from them into the world’s work....The Analysis of Chapters of the mission study text-book, to which Mrs. Chapman calls attention, is helpful in preparing programs. She also has material, including a new Campaign Bulletin, for a Jubilee Meeting. We hope that many of these meetings will be held in the coming months....We welcome the new auxiliaries, East and West. A worker from one of the latter writes, “I feel encouraged about our W. M. S. for it is bringing about a better interest in our local church and we try to learn something about missions each time we meet.” We recall what a minister said who traveled much among the churches of his state: “When I find a church that has lost its interest and enthusiasm and is all run down, I prescribe a Woman’s Missionary Auxiliary!”....Mr. Myers sends us the prospectus of The International Review of Missions, a quarterly, issued by the Continuation Committee of the World Missionary Conference, of which January, 1912, will be the initial number. The table of contents and names of contributors indicate its high character. It will view the missionary work of the church in its whole range and be an influence for Christian unity. It can be ordered through The Missionary Education Movement.
A Christmas Incarnation

BY PROF. ALFRED WILLIAMS ANTHONY, D. D.

(ILLUSTRATIONS FROM PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN BY THE AUTHOR)

Christmas means the coming of Christ.

As I look back this Christmas season to my visit in our Bengal field last February, I can see the form of the Master coming in that needy land. His advent there is a process. He is coming.

"SANTAL HOME," TWELVE INMATES

I would gladly have been one of the shepherds on the plains of Bethlehem, to have heard the angelic choir, to have hastened to the lowly manger-cradle, to have stood in holy awe before the wondrous Child,—I would gladly have been one of the angel group, to have hailed His condescension and humiliation with my song of praise, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!" But I would far rather be one, in this twentieth century, who sees, not the earthly infant-form of flesh, but the mighty, onworking, transforming spirit and power of the Christ, Who has been known through the ages and has become wrought into the lives of millions of His followers. They who study the
progress of Christian missions are seeing a greater wonder than the Bethlehem miracle; they are permitted to see the transformation of the world by the re-incarnation of Christ in the lives of men.

Let us look at some concrete examples. Here is a group of boys, clad in Hindu fashion, squatting on their heels, on the verandah of the mission bungalow in Balasore. They read a Scripture lesson around, taking turns, and then engage in prayer. Postal cards, which had been distributed for them to use in writing home, are submitted for inspection.

The language employed is Oriya. Mrs. Hamlen sends a boy about with parched rice, a tidbit for the morning. Little piles are metered out in extended hands, or on a corner of the garment, in which, quite likely, the accepted store is tied up for future enjoyment. (There are no pockets!)

All this is prosaic. There is nothing heroic here. But the Christ is coming. He came in humble guise. He was not known by the multitudes at first. These boys are gathering, bit by bit, out of the atmosphere of Christian lives in a Christian home, the spirit of the Christ. It may be a slow process; but it is a process; He is coming!
Now we will enter a room of the Sinclair Orphanage in Balasore. Dr. Mary Bacheler with her disabled knee is sitting up in bed. Miss Coe and Miss Barnes are with us. It is Sunday noon. We have just eaten "breakfast." Seventy-one little dark-skinned girls file into the room, moving shyly, yet responsive to a smile. They sit on the floor; chairs are not of native use. Because a visitor is present, they sing songs, repeat some verses of Scripture, and, when introduced, suffer some words of individual description and explanation. Here is one found by the highway, when a baby; another was nursed by the missionary through a long sick-

EXPLANATION OF GROUP—FROM LEFT TO RIGHT


ness; another shows effects of disease, now stayed, but only when eyesight is nearly gone; some are bright, vivacious; others appear dull, almost stupid, as though illy born, or at first but half fed and nourished. What do all these indicate? They are evidences of the Master's coming. Childhood is cheap in India, particularly girlhood. Children are abandoned, girls are sold as property into Mohammedan harems, they are kidnapped, betrayed. But these before us are recipients of a Christian education; they are in the atmosphere of love; they see and hear and feel the sympathy and the touch of the Master. Liberty and purity and safety are theirs, because of Christ.
Now step into a low, mud-walled, thatched-roof house, the Girls' Boarding House in Bhimpore. Thirty-six girls live here, Santals, from jungle homes. They sleep on the floor; but that is native custom, and this is so much better than their own homes, if they have them, for some are orphans and homeless. "The Matron" in charge, under Mrs. Kennan's oversight, is scarcely more than a girl herself, only eighteen years of age. She has grown up here under missionary direction, and is doing well, beloved and respected. There is a school for girls in which forty-six are enrolled, and a school for boys, numbering one hundred and eight. I saw these boys and girls in their vigorous athletics; I visited their classes; I met them in little groups on the verandah, the boys mending garments and the girls making lace; and I saw the boys chase a stray monkey from a tree to the roof, and from the roof to the tree again, and try to dislodge him from the tree. It was all real; it was all wholesome.

Bhimpore means the "city of Bhim"; and Bhim is an imaginary god, something like Hercules of old, supposed to be strong and mighty. I saw his image by the roadside, hideous, grotesque, revolting. But to all these boys and girls of Bhimpore, Bhim is vanishing; he is going. Christ is coming. Already all of the girls over twelve years of age are Christians, and of the boys over twelve, ninety-five per cent are Christians. Bethlehem, rather than Bhimpore, but a Bethlehem within Bhimpore, has begun for them.

Then see such fine specimens of Christian manhood and womanhood as have developed in the native church! There is Sachidananda Rai, refined in feature, wise and sagacious as a counsellor, fervent, eloquent in speech, spiritually minded, a man who for four years has served on the mission committee in the closest confidence with the missionaries, sharing their plans and responsibilities, now superintendent of evangelists, pastor of the church at Midnapore and teacher in the Bible School, one who would do credit to the Christianity of any land. Hemnath Sarkar, unordained, yet as superintendent of the entire mission station at Contai, supervises, with an almost perfect system, his own work and that of three assistants, one an ordained man. Joseph Fullonton, advanced now in years, quiet and steady, commends his religion by his life. Koilas Chandra Mahapatra, pastor of the native church at Khargpur, is an exponent of the Christ to his people, a man endowed, almost in the pentecostal sense, with the "gift of tongues." He cares for a growing church, of ninety-eight members last February, in which are people who speak Hindi, Bengali, Oriya, Santali, Tamil, Telugu and now and then some other eastern tongue.

All these, and others, are men who are bringing in the reign of Christ. Where they are and the Gospel is spreading, there is the true Christmas all of the year.

*Lewiston, Maine.*
Christmas and Cradle Rolls

Isn’t this a beautiful seven-months-old baby, who brings Christmas greeting to our Little Light Bearers? It is Eva Margaret Wormwood, grand-daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth F. Guptill, the author of many charming Cradle Roll, Christmas, School and other holiday exercises.

I want to pass on this thought, from the Woman’s Missionary Friend,
to suggest to mothers that they make gifts, on the Christ-Child's birthday, in the name of their own little ones, or in memory of those who have gone away—gifts that shall gladden the unfortunate little brothers and sisters in our midst, or the brownies across the sea:

"What does it all mean, this gift-making and holly-twining on the Christ-Child's birthday? Sometimes among grown-ups, it is only a horrid kind of barter; sometimes it is 'sorrow's crown of sorrows' in the homes of the bereaved and poor. But slowly a happier day is dawning and gradually Christians are finding out that it is His birthday, not ours, nor our friends', that we celebrate, and we are learning the joy of placing some of our treasure in His tiny hand—for is not Christmas the children's own day? And we can almost see the deep eyes of the Christ-Child smile far into future birthdays, when the eyes of all the world's little ones shall shine like the star that hung over Bethlehem, because of the gifts that other children and the world's grown-ups, too, have offered unto Him."

And now to all the little children, black, white or brown, I wish a happy, happy Christmas day!

Your Cradle Roll Secretary,

Laura E. Hartley.

Waterville, Maine.

Cradle Roll Rallies

Centre Strafford, N. H.—The second Cradle Roll reception of the Free Baptist church was held in the Grange hall, July 1, ten Little Light Bearers with their mothers being present, also several Juniors, and a few members of the W. M. S. A pleasant program was given by the children, and refreshments were served. Five new names were added during the year, making a total of 17. Offering, $3.60. In a box sent to India, by New Durham Quarterly meeting, three C. R. children sent new dresses, all made, to our smaller C. R. children in India, and material for a waist to each of the older ones—(Mrs.) Iness V. Stiles, Supt.

Fort Fairfield, Me.—The annual rally of the Cradle Roll of Little Light Bearers and Advanced Light Bearers was held Friday afternoon, July 7, in the vestry of the Free Baptist church, which was made very cozy and attractive with rugs, bouquets and potted plants. The children were all in white, each with a bouquet. Several recitations, four exercises, "Paying the Tenth," "Missionary Fruit," "What Can the Children Bring to Jesus," "The Old, Glad Story," a duet by two little girls, and a read-
ing, "The Little Brown Girl and I," made up a very attractive program. The mite boxes were opened and found to contain $12.65. Seven new members were added. About 80 were in attendance. Refreshments were served and all pronounced it the best rally yet.—Ruth J. Jones, Supt., Addie E. Estes, Assi.

South Portland, Me.—A very pleasant rally was held in the vestry, "Mother Goose" was given by the L. L. B's, the pastor's wife gave a very helpful talk on the babies of India and why we should organize to help them. Several kindergarten games were played by the little folks. An offering was taken amounting to $2.40. Eight new names were added, making 14 in all.—(Mrs.) Ella Higgins, Supt.

Manchester, Mich.—Held annual Cradle Roll party, June 15, at the home of Mrs. C. M. Cooley, with an attendance of about 80, about 50 being small children and the rest adults. A short program was given and refreshments served. Mrs. Cooley proved a delightful hostess. The mite boxes were opened and $5.00 given for our brown babies over the sea.—(Mrs.) C. D. McMahon, Supt., (Mrs.) Marion M. English, Sec.

Providence, R. I.—The Cradle Roll of Little Light Bearers of the Park street, Free Baptist church, was reorganized on the last Saturday in May. Eleven members were enrolled. Offering, $1.50.—(Mrs.) George M. Gardiner, Supt.

No. Baldwin, Me.—Held a Cradle Roll Rally, June 29. Nine babies were present with their mothers. All enjoyed a happy hour. An offering of $2.32 was taken. There are 16 names on the roll, two having been added during the year.—(Miss) Ida M. Chadbourne, Supt.

Hickory Grove (Haddam) Kansas.—A reception was given to the Little Light Bearers, and Junior Christian Endeavorers, June 21. A short program was rendered and refreshments served. There are at present 7 L. L. B.'s. The offering from the mite boxes was $1.35.—(Mrs.) Melissa McGregor, Supt.

Jamestown, Kansas.—The Buffalo Valley W. M. S. held their thank-offering and Cradle Roll rally together. The meeting was held in the schoolhouse and a picnic dinner served. A program was carried out by the ladies of the W. M. S., their offering taken and then the service was given over to the children. Recitations, exercises and music made up a helpful and interesting program. The children's thank offering was $7.12.—(Mrs.) Atha Ashley, Supt.
Single Light Bearers

Marion Louise Grow, Minneapolis, Minn.; Pauline Florence Crockett, West Buxton, Maine; Burton Edward Rackley, Greene, Maine; Verna Rackley, Greene, Maine; Pauline Jessie Funk; Lloyd Sheldon, Minneapolis, Minn.; Elmer Francis Brehaut, Brunswick, Maine; Ernest Winfield Robinson, E. Tilton, N. H.; Flora May Staples, Ocean Park, Maine; Amber Alberta Smith, Sabattus, Maine; Woodbury Earle Choate, Maywood, Ill.; Harold Scribner Choate, Maywood, Ill.; Lyndon Wray Choate, Maywood, Ill.; Ruth Isabel Knight, Ocean Park, Maine; Harry Dennison Grow, Minneapolis, Minn.; Martha Emma Lord, Pittsfield, Me.; Ruth Julia Miller, Arlington, California.

Statement from Bureau

In addition to the “How to Use the Light of the World,” (price 10 cents), the Central Committee on United Study of Missions has issued an Analysis of Chapters of The Light of the World, prepared by Anna Milligan, lecturer at Boulder and at Winona. Program makers and study class leaders will find it a great aid. Price, 5 cents.

Material for a “Jubilee” meeting may be obtained from the Bureau. Price, 20 cents. Inquire of Mrs. A. D. Chapman, 12 Prescott St., Lewiston, Maine.

A few copies of Mrs. Copp’s “History of the Bible,” are still available. It is excellent, written especially for young people. Price 50 cents; postage, 8 cents extra.

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It is one thing to ask God to help us in our plans; it is quite another thing to ask God how we can be helpers in His plans.—Trumbull.

The doing is ours, not His. He inspired it; we wrought it out. He quickened, but we brought forth. His the heart-beat, but ours the hand-stroke; His the influence, ours the effluence.—George C. Lorimer.
**Memorial Cradle Roll**

"Out of a land in whose bowers  
Perish and fade all the flowers;  
Out of the land of decay,  
Into the Eden whose fairest  
Of flowerets, and sweetest and rarest,  
Never shall wither away."


A baby comes and looks into the young mother's eyes and in an hour is gone. Was that brief stay in vain? No; the mother always has a baby after that. The love for that sweet life will never die in her heart. She will always have on her soul the impression made by that short stay. Then in the eternal years she will have the beautiful life as her own in love, fellowship and joy. —J. R. Miller.

**How Christmas Came to the Settlement**

The train had pulled up along the platform and the barnlike shed which answered for the station, at the settlement out on the Nevada plains. The passing of the daily train was the only thing that happened there, and Jule always came down to watch for it that she might have something to tell Joey about.

Today the train stopped longer than usual, and some men gathered about the engine and talked of hot boxes. But Jule cared nothing for hot boxes, and paid no attention to the men. She was looking for a boy to tell Joey about. Her eyes traveled from one square of glass to another
disappointedly; then she stopped and started. A girl was beckoning to
her.

“Come here a moment,” she called, holding out something round and
yellow. “Can you catch?” she asked, with a merry little laugh.

Jule nodded, holding up two hands for it. “What is it?” she asked,
wonderingly.

“Why, it’s an orange!” the girl exclaimed, incredulously. “Don’t
you know what an orange is?” Then she added, “You peel off that thick
skin and eat the fruit inside.”

Into Jule’s eyes flashed an eager hope. “Are they good for sick
boys?” she asked; “lame ones that don’t like things, mostly?”

“Yes,” the girl answered, “I should think so. Do you know some one
like that?”

“Joey,” Jule responded, briefly.

“Who is Joey?”

“Brother,” Jule answered, looking about with the evident intention
of slipping away.

The girl hesitated. Then a glint of silver from the tiny cross pinned
to her jacket sent the swift color to her face. She leaned out of the win­
dow and dropped down some chocolates. “Try those,” she said. “If you
like them, I’ll give you more.”

Jule bit one, experimentally. “Oh, my!” she gasped in delight.

“Didn’t you ever eat candy before—not even at Christmas?” cried
the girl.

“What’s Christmas?” asked Jule.

The girl looked around. Her father was outside; it would be all
right for her to go out a moment. She picked up her box of Huyler’s
candy and hurried out to the steps. She sat down on the car steps. “Do
you tell Joey stories?” she asked.

“Reckon so,” Jule answered.

The other girl leaned forward with sweet earnestness. “I will give
you this box of chocolates,” she said, “if you will listen to the story of
Christmas. It is the loveliest story in the world. You can tell it to Joey,
afterwards.”

“Go on,” Jule answered.

She listened silently until the end; then she said positively: “Don’t
b’lieve it.”

“Oh!” the girl cried, eagerly. “You don’t know how He loves us
and wants us to love Him.”
Jule answered nothing. The group of men had broken up and they were walking back to the cars. The other girl leaned forward suddenly.

"I'm going to give you something," she said. "I'm going to give you this silver cross, so that whenever you look at it, it will remind you of the story of the star. I must go back now, but will you tell me your name first?"

"Tim Burton's Jule," the girl answered, mechanically.

The engine shrieked once or twice and the train began to move.

"Oh, Joey, you never dreamed anything like it!" exclaimed Jule. "Look at this yellow apple—orange, the girl called it; and here's a whole box of sugar things. Just you taste one, Joey!"

They feasted all the afternoon, but it was night in the soft shadows out in the sand when Jule told the story of the star.

Joey believed it all. "Wish't I could hev seen Him!" he cried. "He must hev been good. Jule, would you let me keep the cross sometimes? Mebbe I wouldn't get so cross then, when my back hurts, if I thought He cared about it, you know."

"You kin hev it all the time, an' you ain't ever cross!" Jule cried, passionately.

Joey's thin voice was full of longing: "If only He'd said something so we'd know, an' be sure He knew us!" he said, wistfully.

The days grew shorter and bleak winds blew sharply across the desert. Yet day after day Jule went down to the train and watched for "the other girl." She never imagined that anything had come except through the girl. But one night the station master called her.

"Are you Miss Burton?" he asked, quizzically, looking from her to a big box on the platform. Jule stared in amazement. "Reckon I am," she said, "though t'ain't common to call my name proper, like that."

The man laughed. "I guess it's all right," he returned. "That box goes your way. If I was back in the States, I'd say it looked like Christmas."

"Christmas!" That was the word the girl had said. Jule started across to the box and began tugging at it.

Tired, breathless, exultant, she got it home at last and chopped it open. Joey leaned over it, his face flushed with excitement. In absolute silence he pulled out candies, fruit, pictures and toys, till the floor was strewn with them. Then he looked up.
“Jule!” he cried, “let’s give some to everybody at the settlement. He would, you know. Don’t you think He’d like it?”

Jule hesitated; then she answered steadily: “Yes, Joey, I reckon He would. You divide the things, and we’ll ask everybody to drop in tonight.”

That was the way that Christmas came to the settlement.—*Mabel Nelson Thurston.*

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**In Memoriam**

> “Thou hast bravely done thy part,  
> Noble mind and tender heart.  
> Sown, that other hands might reap,  
> Watched, that other eyes might sleep,  
> And, whatever cares oppressed,  
> Toiled, that others might have rest.  
> Sorrow bore a passport free  
> To thy ready charity.  
> Angels have recorded true  
> Kindly deeds no mortal knew.”

“Loving truth and right, she gave to truth and right the allegiance of a beautiful life.”

Charlotte Hunt Maxwell, Onsted, Michigan, July 22, 1911.

Emily A. Page, Haverhill, Massachusetts, November 4, 1911.

**NOTE.**—When a member of an Auxiliary passes on, it is fitting that the name, place of residence and date of death should appear under “In Memoriam.” Resolutions and obituaries are not printed in *The Missionary Helper.*

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*The India Silver Necklet* will be awarded, for one year, at next Annual Meeting, to the state making the largest net gain in subscribers to *The Missionary Helper.*

The deepest need of our lives is to put them in honest surrender into the hands of Christ. We must see the bigness in obscure service, the need of the Kingdom of such practical applications as mission bands, new subscribers, unheralded self-denials, attendance on commonplace meetings. Sharing in the drudgery, we shall also share in the full accomplishment of the Kingdom that is on the way.—*Helping Hand.*
**From the Field**

"For somehow not only at Christmas, but all the long year through, the joy that you give to others is the joy that comes back to you. And the more you spend in helping the poor and lonely and sad, the more your heart’s possessing returns to make you glad."

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**Letter from Miss Coombs**

I’m sorry to have been so remiss in writing to the *Helper*, after all my good New Year’s resolutions; but the scattering of our forces brought work that had been shared by four into the hands of two, in Midnapore, and consequently it could not be so well looked after, and curtailed time for letter writing. However, nobody is willing to close work once begun, and the result is the work is either allowed to go haphazard or the one looking after it goes beyond his strength.

Where we had a force of twenty-five a few years ago, we are now fifteen and yet no work has been stopped—in fact, new work has been opened by utilizing more of our native helpers.
Dr. Anthony says he finds our mission ahead in this matter—utilizing material found in the country. Necessity has forced us to this. "Man's necessity is God's opportunity." It may be a part of God's own plan; this reducing of the number of missionaries in order to bring His servants already in the field into active service. At the same time the field is so vast, the waiting harvest so abundant and the workers so few—that much must inevitably be lost. We heard of four coming to our help and now even that is reduced to two! It makes us cry out in anguish of soul and sorely tests our faith.

Since my last letter, which appeared in the March number, I believe, Mr. and Mrs. Oxrieder have gone on furlough and Mr. and Mrs. Collett have taken their places at Kharagpur and have already become identified with a large part of the life of the place. Miss Butts is left alone at Santipore, eight miles from the nearest railway station, with impassable rivers during the rains, and yet she never complains. Dr. Mary's injured knee, which stubbornly refused to be remedied, has put her in the European hospital at Kharagpur, where very, very slowly, the injury seems to be yielding to treatment. Her furlough is due next Spring and we are hoping it will surely have so far recovered as to allow her to travel by that time. Miss Barnes is carefully watching and training her family of seventy girls at Balasore. Miss Coe superintends the Girls' School and now visits the zenanas which were in Dr. Mary's care. Miss Gowen gives herself to her big flock of Kindergarteners, and Mr. and Mrs. Hamlen are hard to locate for they are so constantly on the move—visiting villages, working with their native helpers, attending meetings, looking after their own flock of orphans and school boys, supplying their Colporteurs and keeping run of things in general. The marvel is that they do not break down!

In Midnapore, Mr. Wyman is carrying on the Bible School and holding court for petitioners and complainants for a wide area, besides being Secretary and Treasurer for the whole field, while Mrs. Wyman is trying to regain lost health and strength in Darjeeling. Mrs. Ager and I, in Henderson Home, are in the Educational Department for Christians, Hindus and Mahommedans for Midnapore and outlying districts.

Dr. and Mrs. Kennan are directors of the whole Santal field—enough work for a good half dozen. Contai prospers under Mr. Sircar's care and Chandballi was holding her own under Charles Singh's supervision, in anticipation of the dear "Bishop's" return, and now they and we are over-
whelmed with sorrow at the startling news that he will never return to
the work he built up and which he loved so well!

I have been "out of the fight" since the 26th of last June, when I
was suddenly laid low with what the doctor calls a "heat-stroke." Taken
in the bazaar, I had sense enough to get myself to the hospital where I
was utterly prostrate for ten days and where Mrs. Ager was faithfulness
personified, in waiting upon me, and for long days after I had been taken
home. The stroke proved far more serious than I had dreamed and even
now I can scarcely walk without staggering. I am at present the guest
of Mrs. Sunder, the President of our Bengal Divisional W. C. T. U.,
whose husband—a retired Government official, is one of the sub-managers
of a native Rajah's estate.

It is a little paradise, away off from towns and railways, delightfully
quiet and restful. It may be I shall have to yet go to the Hills for a few
weeks, as the doctor insists I must have something of the cold before I
can be completely restored. I'm hoping to be back to work the last of Oc­
tober. Meanwhile I have a substitute living with Mrs. Ager, who is do­
ing her best to keep things from becoming neglected—Mrs. Roche from
Kharagpur.

This has been a hard trial, but there have been wonderful proofs of
God's goodness and thoughtfulness through it all.

L. C. COOMBS.

Naraya, Darbhanga Dist., India.

Juniors

Suggestive Program

We hear Miss Star saying: "Children, Christmas is near at hand,
shall we spend it here, or board the Gleam for our return to the home­
land?"

Dick's prompt suggestion that the question be put to vote results in
a unanimous decision to remain in Balasore.

Grace asks if we cannot have a Christmas tree and celebration with
our children at Sinclair Orphanage?

Miss Star answers that she feels very sure Miss Barnes, our chil­
dren's missionary, who mothers these little ones so tenderly, will be very
glad to have us give them this pleasure, so we resolve ourselves into a
committee of the whole to prepare a program, with the following result:

1. Song, "Joy to the World, the Lord is Come."

2. Scripture Lesson. (Prophecy and its fulfilment in the advent of our
Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.)
1. What did Isaiah prophesy 700 years before Christ came to earth?—Isaiah 9:6.
2. In whose family line did Isaiah prophesy Christ would come?—Isaiah 11:1, 2.
3. What did he say Christ would be to His people?—Isaiah 55:4.
5. What town did Micah prophesy, 700 years before Christ, would be the birthplace of our Lord?—Micah 5:2.
6. What did Zechariah prophesy, 400 years before Christ, would one day make Jerusalem rejoice?—Zechariah 9:9.
8. Where was the Christ-child born, and who made the first Christmas gifts?—Matt. 2:1, 2, 9, 10, 11.
9. What are the words of His mother, Mary’s song?—Luke 1:46-55.
12. What beautiful promise did Simeon’s song hold for all our world today, as well as for the chosen people?—Luke 2:29-32.

(Taken from the Pilgrim Teacher, arranged by Elizabeth L. Gebhard.)


David remarks that he has been wishing that he could know what the boys and the girls in the various missions do at Christmas time, if they have any Christmas tree, etc., etc. then follows:

4. The Presentation of Various Characters, as given in the Christmas exercise in Touring in the Gleam. Hindu boy and girl; Chinese boy and girl; Karen girl; Congo boy and girl; Assam girl and boy.

Members of the Band representing American boys and girls, join in singing the motion song for Christmas, Lift Up the Cross, (by Mame Alson Knight, Henry D. Noyes & Co., Bromfield St., Boston.)

During the singing of the last chorus have a curtain drawn aside revealing the Christmas tree, and as the final line is sung, have electric bulbs in form of a starblaze forth above the tree, or suspend a large gilt star. Close with recitation.
What Are Christmas Trees For?

Why, Christmas trees, with their candies and toys,
Are just to help the girls and boys
To remember the gift our Father gave,
The Son He sent the world to save.
And Christmas trees grow everywhere
Where boys and girls for Jesus care.
I'm sorry so many girls and boys
Have never known of Christmas joys;
And I've made up my mind, as I'll tell you,
That Christmas was never meant for a few,
And that I must try as hard as I can,
Before the next glad Christmas day,
To tell the children of Japan,
And all the others, too, how they can sing with us the happy song
That all of us have known so long,
Of "peace on earth, good will to men."
—King's Messengers.

(If the Motion Song is not now procurable of Noyes & Co., send to Miss Edyth R. Porter, 47 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.)

E. R. P.

Words from Home Workers

"Work is only done well when it is done with a will."

Massachusetts.—The Woman's Missionary Auxiliary of the Chelmsford St. Church, Lowell, held its first regular meeting, after a rest through July and August, at the home of Mrs. Carrow on Shaw St., the Secretary, Mrs. H. W. Kittredge, presiding. A letter was read from the President, Mrs. Myrtle Wilson, after which all joined in the familiar hymn, "Nearer, My God, to Thee." Psalm 67 was read and prayers were offered by several members. A few matters of business were attended to, followed by a reading, "A Previous Engagement," by Mrs. Renshaw. The final chapter of the book, "Western Women in Eastern Lands," was then taken up by the leader, Mrs. Randall. Our society has thirty-five members, meeting at the home of one of its members each fourth Wednesday of the month, with a different leader for the study book each month. We support one native teacher, and this year have sent a Missionary box, for the missionaries sailing in September. Our meetings are all very interesting and helpful, and during the year we have had outside speakers. The meeting in June was in the form of a picnic, with a large attendance. After the meeting, picnic lunch was served—and all went home with a deeper interest in the work of the Auxiliary. Our Cradle Roll has a membership of 57, with a very active superintendent.

E. C. A.
Treasurer’s Notes

New Auxiliary: F. B. Church, Easton, Maine.

We are glad to welcome a new auxiliary, in Maine, which has been reported by Mrs. Kelly. The ladies propose to take a share in Miss Coombs’ salary. Who will be the next to organize and report?

We left our summer home the 9th of October. Sea and woods and a cheery open fire invited us to stay longer, but duty sent Miss Watts to Newark, and I came to Dover.

In October I attended the rally of the Hills’ Home and Foreign Missionary Society. It was held in the Parsonage, and about forty were present. One of the noticeable features of the occasion was the presence of several young women. The members were interested in explanations, by your treasurer, of the present relations of our society to the General Conference and the Baptist Missionary Societies. The Hills’ Society is a wide-awake organization made up largely of young and middle-aged women. Only yesterday I was at the November meeting; though a rainy afternoon, eighteen were present. A novel feature of the hour was the induction of seven new members, with a very pretty exercise conducted by our pastor’s wife, Mrs. Kenyon. As the members stood and sang “Blest be the tie that binds,” only one woman remained sitting. The agent, Mrs. Demeritte, reported five new subscribers to the Missionary Helper. Encouraging news from other quarters is reported regarding new subscribers. Mrs. Libbie Cilley Griffin is doing good work for our magazine, as well as securing gifts for the treasury. Only recently she reported that a lady and family in Michigan will support a child in Sinclair Orphanage.

October 10th I went to the Rockingham Association. Mr. Mosher and I explained at the meeting of the Woman’s Missionary Society, the status of all our denominational work, in the co-operative relations with Baptists. The audience showed a deep interest in the explanations, and seemed ready to fall in line with the new plans of General Conference, and the outlined work of the F. B. W. M. S. My impression is that our people, with few exceptions, are so loyal to our work that they are willing to co-operate with what many of us believe is a forward movement in Christian unity, as they understand our plans, and methods of work. It seems incumbent on all who are acquainted with the situation “to let the light shine.” For this reason I suggest that, at as early a date as
possible, all our Woman’s Missionary Societies, local, quarterly meeting, Conference Association and yearly meeting, secure one of their own number or some one outside of these societies, to present the new plans of General Conference, and the present relations of the F. B. W. M. S. to the work. I am glad to know that some are already doing this; will such not report the results of their efforts to me?

November 3 I visited the auxiliary in Farmington, N. H. The president of the W. M. S. of N. H. is also president of this society. The meeting was held in the home of one of the members. A pleasant feature of the afternoon was the help, in singing, of some of the High school girls.

Not long ago I sent the appropriation by the Woman’s Board, to Rev. Antoinette Esterbrook’s work in the Barbados. In sending the receipt she says: “If you could look into my heart you would know how deeply grateful I am. Will you try to express to the F. B. W. M. S. my gratitude?” She also said that their annual conference had just closed, and at the closing service three were at the altar for prayer. I hope to be able, at a later date, to present some new facts regarding Miss Esterbrook’s work.

I find that the statement in The Watchman, giving directions about sending all home mission money to one treasurer, foreign mission money to another, and Storer College contributions to Mrs. Lightner, have confused some of the workers of the Woman’s Missionary Society. Knowing what was meant, I did not, at first, see that our friends might naturally ask: Does this mean that all the money that has gone through the treasury of the Woman’s Missionary Society must now be sent to the treasurers as specified in The Watchman? But, through some clear-cut questions, by a well known worker, I see the necessity of explanations regarding the matter.

The facts are that the instructions in The Watchman were given only to churches, and individuals who have been sending their contributions to Rev. A. Given, and have nothing to do with funds contributed for the work of the F. B. W. M. S. So if every one who reads them will keep in mind that they refer only to money which has been sent to the treasury of General Conference, there will be no confusion. It will be well to remember, also, that the Woman’s Society has not changed its relations to the work. We made our usual appropriations for India and Storer College at our annual meeting in August, and we are dependent on money
sent to our Assistant Treasurer, Miss Edyth R. Porter, 45 Andover St., Peabody, Mass., for funds to meet these appropriations. For instance: Should money be sent to Mrs. Lightner that has been coming to our treasury, and has been used to meet appropriations to Storer College, we should have just so much less to meet our obligations to this institution. The same is true of our work in India. There is no question but our workers intend to be loyal to the society, so far as they understand the situation. Hence our care in making explanations even though we may be guilty of repetition.

The policy that the society is pursuing has been carefully considered, and has the hearty support of all our members, so far as I am aware, besides having the approval of the Board of General Conference, through its Executive Committee. So we look unhesitatingly to our auxiliaries and friends for the money to meet our obligations the present year. The contributions for three months from July 1, as compared with those for the same time this year, show that our confidence is based on facts, for they were $266.72 in excess of last year.

If any are still in doubt about our relations to the new methods in our denominational work I hope they will not hesitate to ask questions of either Miss Porter or myself.

LAURA A. DEMERITTE, Treasurer.

Dover, N. H.

(All contributions should be sent through the usual channels, to Miss Edyth R. Porter, 45 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.)

Assistant Treasurer’s Notes

A Great Combination, Men, Money, Prayer, Knowledge.

In looking through a file of letters and papers these words, in large type, caught the eye, and farther on the words which were the inspiration of our President’s annual address: “Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white already to harvest.”

Reading the leaflet through we found it to be a call to service, to a giving of ourselves, our means,—the means of God’s bestowing,—prayer for the laborers, and knowledge of the needs and the work.

First are presented the needs of our India field. Doubtless many of us are familiar with these, but they will bear emphasis. We quote: “A conservative estimate of the number of people who live in Free Baptist (now the Bengal Mission of the A. B. F. M. S.) foreign mission
fields, is 4,000,000. It is estimated by many missionary leaders that one missionary is needed for every 25,000 people."

One year ago, when this leaflet was sent forth, it stated, "Our force of missionaries is about sufficient to reach one million people."

What of the three or four million people who have us, and us alone, to look to for the light?

How shall we give? Systematically, and proportionately. How obtain knowledge? There is no better way than by means of the Mission Study Class, while our prayers must be united and unceasing for the extension of God’s Kingdom everywhere, and especially that we may not be found wanting in our care for that part in which He is permitting us to serve Him.

October, 1911, Receipts .......................................................$435.74
October, 1910, Receipts ....................................................... 791.88
Let us rally, and wipe out this deficit in November.

It is with deep regret that we learn that Miss Anthony, our most efficient and loyal Treasurer of Maine, is obliged to pass the work into other hands. We pray that our Heavenly Father may speedily grant her full measure of health and strength.

We cordially greet Mrs. Penny who is to take her place.

Edyth R. Porter.

45 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.

Suggestive Program for Jubilee Meeting

Opening Hymn, “Send Thou, O Lord, to Every Place”; Bible reading. Topic, “Some Exemplary Women of the Bible”; Prayer; Address, “Fifty Years of Woman’s Work in Foreign Missions.” (Refer to “Western Women in Eastern Lands”); Tableau—Women of different lands, in costume; Hymn, “God is Working His Purpose Out”; Talk or Paper—Resume of the Work of the Free Baptist Woman’s Missionary Society. (Refer to the History of the F. B. W. M. S., by Mary A. Davis, Missionary Reminiscences, and files of Helper); Toast—“Our Mothers”; Hymn, “For All the Saints”; The Story of the Jubilee, told brightly and briefly. (Send to Mrs. Chapman for material); Discussion. “How can We help, in this Jubilee Campaign to fulfill our watchword for 1912: “An Auxiliary in Every Church; The Missionary Helper in Every Home”?: Singing, “Take my life, and let it be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee.” Closing Prayer.
"The missionary movement is a magnificent and far-reaching one. In sup­porting it as such, the importance of mission study is evident. We urgently need a knowledge of facts. With such a knowledge I am sure we should count ourselves most privileged to be permitted to present our gifts, our prayers, our lives, to furthering it."

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January.—Animism, Confucianism, Taoism.
(“The Light of the World.” Chapter III.)

“We can best minister to Him by helping them
Who dare not touch His hallowed garment’s hem,
Their lives are even as ours—one piece, one plan;
Him we know not, Him we shall never know
Till we behold Him in the least of these
Who suffer or who sin.”

**Suggestive Program**

**Opening Hymn.**—“The Light of the World Is Jesus.”

**Bible Reading on Idols and Idolatry.**—Prepared by the leader who, with the aid of the Concordance, will arrange numbered slips of paper containing references to idols and idol worship, to be read by different members, beginning with 1st Chron. 16:23-26 and closing with those triumphal verses, 17-19 of the 72d Psalm. Call attention not only to the idols of wood and stone of the non-Christian world, but also to the idols of the nominal Christian world; to John’s injunction, “Little children, keep yourselves from idols.” Are we in danger of idol worship?
Prayer.

Current Events from Our Own Field:—Refer to this number of Helper, The Watchman and Morning Star and Missions.

The Lesson: This program may be very effectively carried out by dividing the members into classes, as for a school, the leader being superintendent. Have a different teacher for each class, whose time is strictly limited. The superintendent rings the bell when the time is up. A map of the world will help greatly; also suggestions in “How to Use” (10 cts.); “Analysis of Chapters of The Light of the World” (5 cts.) Both booklets may be obtained of Mrs. Chapman. Each teacher will have a list of vital questions under her special topic, which her class will study to be prepared to answer.

The Geography Class.—Map study and blackboard exercise. The teacher having clearly defined “Animism,” a pupil writes on the board where Animists are found: Africa, East Indies, Oceania, Burma, The Laos, Korea. These places are located on the map by another, and as each place is touched, a member of the class rises and gives a belief or rite or result of Animism, and a contrasting result of Christianity among the same people. (Refer to “How to Use,” page 47). Show and explain a fetish, or a picture of one. Very brief map study of China.

History and Literature Class.—Questions and answers about Confucius, Mencius and Lao-tsze and their teachings. Bring out the strong points and the weak. Condition of women and family life under such teachings.

Psychology Class.—Bring out the inevitable results upon the mind, heart and life of superstition and terror in Animism: the lack of any relationship with a living God in Confucianism; and the knowledge of God as a loving Father, of Christ as a personal Saviour, the power of prayer, the joy of helping others, in Christianity. Give illustrations.

Closing Prayer, for world-wide workers who are carrying love and light into dark places.

Special Prayer for the Month of January.—For our native preachers, teachers, evangelists, Bible women, and all native workers in the Bengal Field.
THE MISSIONARY HELPER BRANCH

OF THE

International Sunshine Society

Have you had a kindness shown? Let it travel down the years,
Pass it on. Let it wipe another's tears,
'Twas not given for you alone— Till in heaven the deed appears
Pass it on.

All letters, packages, or inquiries concerning this page or sunshine work should be addressed to Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, 593 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., president of this branch.

Just one ray of sunshine from each of the members of our Branch is what we ask for the Christmas work. When you are planning to make your friends happy, please think of those who will not have a pleasant Christmas unless we give it to them, and send a few postage stamps, a simple gift or a small donation of money; then it will be a truly Merry Christmas for all.

GOOD CHEER ACTS

Mrs. Florence E. Edgecomb reports that the Sewing Band of King's Daughters are going to make children's clothing. This is much needed cheer for little folks. Little Arthur's Sunshine friend, Mrs. C. A. Hunt, has sent in her monthly gift of $1.00 for his benefit. Mrs. L. W. Pease sent $1.00 to be used for outings for tired Mothers. She also sent a package of pictures and paper dolls. Her little daughter Ellen gave a dainty dress, which was passed on to a wee girlie who has few pretty things. Another little Sunbeam, Dorothy May Pease, has come into this Sunshine family.

Mrs. Ella Dalton gave papers and a picture, and has offered to pass on her HELPER regularly. Mrs. A. A. Smith sent 50 cts. for a HELPER subscription to go direct to a Sunshine member. This is a reflected Sunshine ray, as it helps our magazine. A Michigan member, who sends us stamped post cards each month, reports that she has been able to cheer the sick and help an elderly person. Miss Helen E. Wentworth gave $1.00 "for the Sunshine work." She has assisted in this helpful way a number of times. Miss Augusta Garland sends literature regularly for us to pass on. Mrs. Nettie Fowler gave 25 cts. in stamps. Miss A. T. Allen a large number of pictures. Mrs. N. F. Heath gave stamps, and, although she is living in the sunset of life, is able to get out and cheer her aged friends. Mrs. Alma M. Cousins sent 30 cts. for three I. S. S. pins and 70 cts. for Branch needs. Mrs. M. G. Jones 20 cts. for pins, and three fancy cards and yeast-cake labels. Stamped birthday cards from Mrs. Anic E. Fletcher. Mrs. Lulu Carton sent ten stamped Thanksgiving post cards. We have received from the Saco Auxiliary, through Mrs. Etta Webber, $1.00 to make Mrs. Hannah Atkinson a Memorial member. This is a beautiful idea which was created by this auxiliary. They now have three members on the Memorial list.

Written greetings have been received from Mrs. Lindley H. Estes of North Berwick, Maine, Mrs. C. F. Sanborn of New Hampton, N. H., and Mrs. M. F. Smith of Caledonia, Ohio. Miss Jennie M. Rowe, Route 3, Presque Isle, Maine, one of our invalid members, has a birthday on December 9; kindly cheer her with greetings. Mrs. W. L. Dow has sent in the names of two sisters, Miss Jennie M. Lord and Mrs. Hattie Moody of Gorham, Me., for membership in the Sunshine Society.

The Annual Meeting of the Southern Division, New York State, under which our Branch is organized, enjoyed a most delightful day on November 22, at the Park Avenue Hotel, New York City. Morning session devoted to business, Reception to out-of-town delegates from 1.30 to 2.30 p. m., followed by a musical. Many of our local members attended, and our Branch was represented by the president and Mrs. Louis S. Campbell as delegates.
The Christ-Child

The Christ-Child unto the stable came
'Twixt the midnight and the morn,
His mother laid Him softly down
By the beasts of hoof and horn.
The friendly kine a-near Him stood
In the frost of the early day,
And, little brother of all the poor,
He slept in the fragrant hay.

The Christ-Child slept in the stable dim,
And over Him flamed the Star
That was golden bright with the light of heaven
Where God and the angels are.
Then, journeying far, came king and priest,
With a wealth of spices sweet,
And, little brother of all the rich,
They knelt to kiss His feet.

A gift of gifts, that tender Child,
Brought hither for you and me;
From the leaven of greed, the clutch of hate,
By love to be ransomed free.
And once a year, in the long, long year,
For a whole and happy day,
To share again the heart of the child
Wherever the children play.

O, little brother of every man!
Obscure, or high, or great,
Thine is the alchemy of heaven
Wrought on our low estate.
We find Thee still in the stable dim,
But, for Thy cradle bed,
O, rest not now in the manger stall—
Take Thou our hearts instead.

The pleasure of Christmas is renewed year by year. Its charm never wanes, its sweet secret is the same in every heart and life. Christmas brings to us a thought of God's great love. Our heavenly Father reveals Himself to us in the person of His Son, Who took upon Him our nature, walked the earth with us, went about doing good, and finally gave His life a ransom for many. From Bethlehem to Calvary Jesus Christ lived the most wonderful life that was ever lived upon the globe. He died upon the Cross and rose again, and lives forevermore to make intercession for
us. Christmas brings again the thought of the little town of Bethlehem, of the Babe in the manger, of the shepherds and sages adoring the Infant Christ, of the Star in the sky and the song of the angels. Shall we not have the light of the Star to guide us on our way, and shall we not hear the song of the angels filling our lives with music? We shall enjoy our Christmas fully only by coming into sympathy with the great love of Jesus Christ.

The prayer which follows was written by Samuel Osgood:

Almighty God, we give Thee thanks for the mighty yearning of the human heart for the coming of a Saviour, and the constant promise of Thy word that He was to come. In our own souls we repeat the humble sighs and panting aspirations of ancient men and ages and own that our souls are in darkness and infirmity without faith in Him who comes to bring God to man and man to God. We bless Thee for the tribute that we can pay to Him from our very sense of need and dependence, and that our own hearts can so answer from their wilderness the cry, “prepare ye the way of the Lord.” In us the rough places are to be made smooth, the crooked straight, the mountains of pride brought low, and the valleys of despondency lifted up. O God, prepare Thou the way in us now, and may we welcome anew Thy Holy Child. Hosanna! blessed be He who cometh in the name of the Lord. Amen.—Margaret E. Sangster, in Association Monthly.

Christmas in Honolulu

(Extracts from a letter from Miss Lucy E. Crosby, a New England girl teaching in Hawaii.)

Several years ago, some wealthy men who were visiting here conceived the idea of giving several hundred dollars for an outdoor Christmas tree for the poor children who might not get presents in other ways. The plan proved a success, and the tree was referred to as the Malihini (strangers) tree. The custom has continued to the present day. Many people deny that there is any need of giving outdoor tickets to poor children when there are so many churches, schools and missions, but the whole thing is very impressive and spectacular, and it still remains a joy to the children and the new comers. We were in that class, this year, so we sallied forth at ten to enjoy all the sights, and reached the government building, once the old palace, in a short time.
On the steps of the building stood an immense evergreen tree, brought from the States, glistening in all its trappings under a bright, tropical sun. In front of the tree stood great tables piled high with candy, fruit and toys, and guarded by some of Honolulu's four hundred, while the Governor and dignitaries stood on the balconies, and the militia protected the line of march in front of the building. High up on the building waved the American flag flanked, on each side, by Hawaiian flags.

Back in the park stood the crowd, with the long line of children stretching from the street down one side of the grounds, and in the bandstand the Hawaiian Royal Band played the Star Spangled Banner and other patriotic airs.

The performance started with a little speech by President Dole, of whom we all know, in which he explained that this particular tree on the steps was a more wonderful product than all the plantations of the island could produce, for it was the culmination and fruit of all Christian virtues. Then a large American flag was raised on the grounds and the 2,500 little Chinese, Japanese, Koreans, Portuguese and Hawaiians yelled themselves hoarse over it.

Santa Claus then appeared at the tree and the procession began to move, but was held back long enough to allow a forlorn little band of boys and girls to come up in the opposite direction and have first choice of presents. There must have been over fifty in all, and they came from a home where the children live whose parents are lepers, the parents being on the island for lepers. They seemed like the one dark spot in the beautiful day. When they were gone the crowd began to enjoy the procession filing past; a procession that in New England would attract as much attention as Barnum and Bailey, for there were hundreds of little Chinese girls in their funny little blue and lavender trousers and jackets, little Japs in kimonos, little Hawaiians in all stages of dress and undress; and, funniest of all, children in costumes that were half and half; little girls in skirts and half kimonos, little girls in Chinese trousers and print sunbonnets, and one small Jap had on khaki pantaloons and a vest about five inches long with a very wide pocket on one side, out of which protruded his entrance ticket.

The procession had been moving about twenty minutes when it began to sprinkle, but everyone calmly put up the umbrella he had taken along and stood stock still, with a blase air, for of course it was only a little "liquid sunshine," about which the advertising circulars talk, and
which never really wets one; but—alas! this was different. Without any warning the heavens opened and down came what we should call at home, “a regular cloud burst.” There was a stampede of children, through the gates, hugging dolls and candy and all sorts of treasures, and with perfect abandon they cast themselves upon all spectators holding umbrellas. Everyone’s heart opened wide to receive them and the precious possessions under the umbrellas. The band gave up being patriotic and played wildly, “My Wife Has Gone to the Country, Hooray! Hooray!” while the water ran through the ground in rivers, and almost everyone was too amazed to run for shelter. Soon the committee recovered sufficiently to pull the tables of presents into the building, and the women who were giving out presents were almost mobbed by the disappointed youngsters who had not received their gifts.

We were a sight when we got home, but I laughed till I cried, and so ended my Christmas day in Honolulu.

When I find a field too hard for a man, I put in a woman.—Bishop Taylor.

“Of every six children born into the world, one looks into the face of an Indian mother.”

God estimates us not by the position we are in, but by the way in which we fill it.—T. Edwards.

“Prayer is God’s essential connecting link between His boundless supply and the world’s boundless need.”

Have you ever thought of the inequality of the burden? Your sister has gone to the field, leaving friends and the comforts of the home land. Perhaps God did not call upon you to make this particular sacrifice, but is not your responsibility toward the unsaved millions as great as hers?—Ex.

“Any adequate effort to meet the need on the foreign field must be on a scale far wider than has ever yet been attempted. Each part of the women’s work being already carried on needs to be widely extended. There are needed trained and consecrated women doctors; trained and consecrated women teachers; groups of women workers in the villages; an army of these with love in their hearts to seek and save the lost.”—From the appeal of the Cairo Conference.
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