BAPTISM IN INDIA

The first Sunday in April our children, teachers and friends gathered around the baptism to see ten of our boys together with three teachers and our gardener buried with Christ. As Brother Edwards was about to baptize Murigan, the gardener, Miss Saunders took a snapshot of the scene. As the climate of India makes it very difficult to get a clear picture, and the expense of having a professional photographer is beyond our means many times, our pictures are not as clear as we would wish, but we are very thankful for them as they are. Murigan is a very intelligent man, of much influence among his people, and we hope the influence of this baptism will be strong for Christianity. The garments worn by these boys and men were made by the willing fingers of our consecrated women here in America.

A Narrow Place

O soul that's filled with discontent,
Shouldst thou lament
Because thy life in narrow bounds
Is pent?
The land was small where Jesus
dwelt,
Yet He ne'er felt
That God with him had thus un­
wisely dealt.
But rather, in His narrow place,
He set His face
To do God's will—and there re­
deemed the race!
So soul, learn this; thou hast a part
Just where thou art,
Which, if thou'lt do, will surely
bless some heart;
And not so much where thou dost
dwell
As whether well
Thy work thou dost, at last thy fate
will tell.

"No church, no Christian, will have all the power that belongs to them so long as the tithe is neglected and the offerings due the Lord remain unpaid."

The Golden Rule

If you knew that a little girl in the room next to yours was insulted and tyrannized over, day by day, what would you do?
If you knew that this little girl in the room next to yours was but half fed and half clothed, though there was plenty and to spare for everyone else, what would you do?
If you knew that this same little girl in the very next room, for no fault of her, had had her pretty hair shaved from her head, and her little earrings literally torn from her tender ears, what would you do?
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If, still more, you knew that this little girl, the one in the room next to your own, was often cruelly beaten and tortured, sometimes even by fire, would you endure it? What would you do?
There is a little girl in another room that is, this very moment, bearing helplessly these same indignities, these same tortures. Because her room does not join yours, because it is not actually within sight of your eyes, because your ears cannot hear her cries, is her suffering any the less real, or is her need of a rescuer any the less urgent?
Do not read these stories of Hindu womanhood as if they were nursery tales in which the cruelties of the persecutors are but myths to make the good deeds of the fairy godmother shine the brighter. Alas! there are far too few champions of these suffering little ones to make the happy ending of the fairy tale possible.
If you have read the story under any such illusion read it again, remembering that it is not fiction, but sad, heartrending fact. Read it, thinking of the child victim not as far away in India, but as a little helpless neighbor, living so close to you that her suffering is your suffering, and then try to decide what you would do—what you will do—to save these sorrowing little ones.—Helping Hand.
From India
From Miss Saunders
Ooty, May 10, 1904.

My Dear Mrs. Taylor:

That God has blessed this work from the start is plain to any one, and all we have to do is to keep on in the same way and I believe He will use us much more in the future. Not long ago we had friends visiting us, that have lived in India for nearly twenty years. The man has traveled a good bit and seen a great deal of mission work in different parts of the country. I was very much pleased the day we took him to Villacherri to see Mr. Edwards. He said that of all the mission work he had seen none that was so near his ideal as what Mr. Edwards was doing. Of course, it is on a small scale, but for all that it shows we have a valuable worker in Mr. Edwards. Captain Spence’s letter in which he wrote concerning his day in Villacherri is not a bit overdrawn. I am spending my time here in study, so I hope it will not all be lost. I am very sorry that I had to lay by, but I mean to make up for it when I return to Guindy. The picture of Dr. and Mrs. Ransom came all right, and we were much pleased with them. They are in Guindy yet, for Mr. Edwards did not think it best to put them in the house at Villacherri until the repairs are made.

Is it 1905 or 1906 that Miss Welcome expects to come here? I hope it is 1905.

With much love,
J. M. Saunders.

Directions

To be preserved by every local society;

The spring shipment of boxes to India has been sent, and the contents of the boxes, barrels, packages and parcels which are detained in the various freight depots will be sent in the fall shipment providing we get them out of the depots before then.

Sending Packages

1. Let all those in New England who send packages send them by express. Whatever is sent by freight has to be carried across the city by express and it costs very little more to express it in the first place.

2. From the Middle West or the Pacific Coast it is cheaper to send by freight. But whenever you send anything by freight get a bill of lading, and send the bill of lading to Mrs. C. H. Bradford, 123 Moreland St., Boston, Mass., but the package should not be sent to her residence, as the boxes are not packed there but at the Crisis office. A letter sent to her residence will reach her sooner than if sent to the Crisis office. But no packages should be sent to her residence. Direct every package, box or barrel to 160 Warren St., Boston, Mass., marking it plainly for India. Don’t forget that Bill of Lading.

Preparing Packages

1. Do not seal up anything, or mark it “Please do not open this.” Every article, however small, has to be recorded in an invoice and a value set upon it before it is shipped. This invoice has to be sent to the custom house, and the custom house officers open the case and examine the contents, comparing them with the invoice. In this way they ascertain that we are honest and do not try to smuggle goods into India without paying duty. Hence you see that the one who packs the cases is obliged to open every package and bundle and set a price upon every article.

2. If you wish to have our missionaries know who sends the gift, write your name and address plainly, and firmly sew or paste it on the article.

3. We have to pay about 40 cents for each cubic foot, and paste board boxes, excelsior, air, etc., cost as much to send to India as useful goods. So in packing we reject all useless articles and pack solid. When we do not have quite enough to fill the case we buy cotton cloth to fill up with.

Steady Business

We expect to send cases to India once or twice a year so long as we have orphanages or schools in India. Keep the work going. To furnish clothing, bedding, towels, combs, thread, pins, etc., etc., for one hundred children, means steady business for many loving hearts and nimble fingers.

Garments

It takes about 1200 garments a year for our orphans, besides what we need to cover the little folks who come naked to our daily schools. We will send to every one who wishes patterns of pants, shirt and Mother Hubbard dress.

Furnishing Rooms

There are quite a number of rooms at Alton Bay which are for the free use of ministers at the camp meeting. Our W. H. & F. M. S. by the kind courtesy of the committee, intend to put these rooms in order this fall. All donations for these rooms including bedding and money, can be put in charge of Mrs. Mrs. Nettie J. Wentworth, whose husband, C. Wentworth, is secretary of the Campmeeting Association.

Mrs. Wentworth will have charge of furnishing the rooms marking the bedding, etc. Sheets, pillow slips, quilts and pillows are needed as well as other furnishings. These can be taken to the secretary’s office on the campground. Although the use of rooms, beds and bedding is freely given, a charge of 25 cents will be made to pay for the washing of the sheets and pillow slips.
The Industrial Evangelistic Mission of Northern India.

AFTER twenty-two years of mission work in India on the usual lines, we have been led of God to adopt other methods, or rather to add to the old methods. Years ago we began to feel that not only the heart and head should be trained, but also the hand. The missionary's work is to win souls, and every right method should be used to bring this about. The convert is, if possible, taught to read so that he may become an intelligent Bible student; but he must also be given manual training so that he may support himself, and help give the Gospel to others, and that he may be built up in Christian character. A man who cannot help himself cannot help others, and when he does begin to help others, he himself is developed and is helped thereby. Because of the mission, the work is not done by the foreigner. In India, the most difficult problem. Caste in these days really means trade-guild. A heathen will not teach his craft to any one, and certainly not to a Christian. We may hire them but it is money thrown away. It gives them a chance to influence for wrong the pupils they are appointed to teach. They do all they can to undermine the faith of the Christian pupils, and put forth every effort to corrupt them. The closest supervision does not prevent them from stealing mission materials, and this is one reason why industrial missions in India have so often proved a failure. Instead of yielding a profit as they should, they have been an expense. Even if the heathen would teach, their methods are so crude as to be almost useless.

There are some missionaries who do not believe in introducing Western methods and machinery into the Orient, but business men in secular life have done so, and there is no reason why missionaries should not be practical and business like, but every reason why they should be. Certainly machinery will be useless if there are not the proper foremen to run it—men who thoroughly understand it, but these will be laymen, not clergymen. Nearly all the missionaries feel the need of giving manual training. Ordained men should not have to be drawn away from work they can and need to do. There are laymen well trained in the trades and well fitted to teach things spiritual, too, who can and should go, but there has been no call for them. Mackay had hard work to persuade mission boards to send out of the country, made up and brought back—men who thoroughly understand it, and these will be laymen, not clergymen. Nearly all the missionaries feel the need of giving manual training. Ordained men should not have to be drawn away from work they can and need to do. There are laymen well trained in the trades and well fitted to teach things spiritual, too, who can and should go, but there has been no call for them. Mackay had hard work to persuade mission boards to send out of the country, made up and brought back—men who thoroughly understand it, and these will be laymen, not clergymen. Nearly all the missionaries feel the need of giving manual training. Ordained men should not have to be drawn away from work they can and need to do. There are laymen well trained in the trades and well fitted to teach things spiritual, too, who can and should go, but there has been no call for them.

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India is rich in raw materials of almost every kind, but there is no enterprise to work them up. There is a great demand for many things which as yet have to be imported. The raw materials are sent out of the country, made up and brought back and purchased at high prices. India loses by this transaction, and this is one cause of famine and extreme poverty. There is no competition as yet in India, and this is a splendid opportunity for the despised and oppressed Christian. These things ought to appeal to the philanthropic man from a humanitarian standpoint, and certainly to the Christian business man.

The conditions in India are changing rapidly. The European population is greatly increasing. The wealthy educated non-Christians are beginning to dress and live in European style, hence the great demand for every-day European articles. When the famines of 1897 and 1900 swept over Central and Northern India, by faith, through prayer, we were able to gather in seventeen hundred orphans and widows. About four hundred of these came too late to be saved, some three hundred were reclaimed by relatives and went back carrying gospel seed to scores of villages. A full thousand were added to the church of Christ. It became necessary to devise ways and means by which they might support themselves. This industrial work has grown into a whole mission, known as the Industrial Evangelistic Mission of Northern India, the whole aim of which is to win souls for Christ and to raise the converts to a higher spiritual plane.

As will be seen by the name, the object of the mission is to evangelize the people by aid of industrial methods. Rev. J. W. Lawson in Our Orphan Children in India.
ALL NATIONS MONTHLY

A NEW MISSIONARY

CAN we make it? As all know our work in India has grown more rapidly than the membership in our W. H. & F. M. S., although we have tried hard to keep pace in America with the work in India. The donations have enabled us to carry along easily our many schools, and support our missionaries, native workers and orphans without embarrassment so far. But from the first whenever we have undertaken any special work like sending a missionary or putting up a building we have had to make a call for extra help. Just now we must make special effort in two directions.

A NEW MISSIONARY

Most earnestly have our missionaries been praying for helpers. The need seemed more imperative, as the large amount of work and care which Miss Spence has carried for four years is telling. Dr. Ransom has kindly expressed a wish to pay for the expense of repairing the present Ransom Home which will make it fit for a workshop, but the expense of putting up a new Ransom Orphanage will be about $3000, and this we must raise. It took some over two years to raise the $2000 required to build the Junior Orphanage for Girls, and we must begin at once.

CARDS

With this paper we send out cards to be used in raising the funds for this new Ransom Home. You may cut off the picture of Brother Edwards and keep it if you wish, and return the rest of the card to us with your name upon it. The card will be sent with the donation to India and be kept in the Ransom Orphanage. We have printed 100 stars upon the card and children can punch a hole in a star to represent each cent they give or collect for the Orphanage. How many cards can you use in your Sunday School? Will you order a hundred, or fifty, or twelve or even half a dozen?

Travels

During the past month we have visited the churches in Colebrook, N. H., Brookbury, Coatscook, Fitch Bay, Waterloo, Fulford, Iron Hill, Beebe Plain in P. Q., Newport Centre, Morrisville, Waterbury, Vt., and Portland and Sabattus in Maine.

We expect soon to start for the Middle West, visiting the camp-meetings in New York, Kansas and Mendota, Ill., and the churches in the different states as the way may open, and it may seem to be the will of the Lord. We have never published an account of our many trips, as the space in our All Nations seemed too valuable to fill up with personal reports, but many have expressed a desire that we publish a monthly journal of our journey west, and we will try to do this should we make the proposed tour. Will you pray for us?

India Cases.

The value of the five cases just shipped to India was estimated at $169.89. In these cases were 54 quilts, 349 jackets or waists, 201 skirts, 99 shirts, 197 pair of pants, 138 Mother Hubbard dresses and 104 yards of cotton cloth, besides tools asked for by Brother Edwards; towels, combs, spoons of thread, soap, toys, and as advertisements read, "other articles too numerous to mention." As nearly all, except the tools, was given, the cases are of great value to our Mission Society. We have, of course, to clothe our own children, and it would cost less to buy the cloth here and freight it to India, than the cloth would cost us in India. But as the material was all given and the garments freely made, it is probable that much more than the cost value of the boxes has been saved to our W. H. & F. M. S. God will richly bless all who helped to do this noble work for Him. In the picture of our last baptism in India you will notice that the candidates wear the garments you have made.

July, 1904
Hints for Workers

To get children, as well as adults, interested in missions, they must understand the need. Plan then for a series of brief studies in mission fields. Let the first be a bird’s-eye view of the different people of the world, taking for the subject, “Jesus, the Light of the World.”

Picture vividly a walk in the dark, a man stumbling along the path, and the same road on a sunny day. Contrast the world in darkness of sin. Jesus came a light in this dark world to save people from darkness of sin. Procure candles of various colors and sizes. Light largest one. Since Jesus came a Light in the world other candles have been lit to shine out in the darkness. Light several smaller white candles from the large one and tell of the disciples. Jesus told them “Go, teach,” and they minded Him. They went out lighting other candles from the light they got from Jesus. To-day there are lights shining north (all point) east, west and south because one has lighted another.

Here in America are many lights (light smallest white candles) but right across the earth from us there are millions of candles waiting to be lit. Millions of yellow-skinned (place small yellow candles) boys and girls in China who ought to be shining for Jesus in that dark heathen land. A few have been lighted, (light one) but, oh, how many there are all in the dark.

Following the above outline describe need of India, lighting brown candles, and black ones for Africa. If only white can be procured paint them or paste colored paper around bottom.

See all these candles in America. They ought to do more than shine. Then how bright the dark spots would light up with Jesus’ love if these went to lighting others. Jesus said: “I am the light of the world.” He said, too, “you are the light of the world.”

Sing from Gospel Hymns, “Jesus, the light of the World,” and “O to Have no Hope in Jesus.”

Mabel R. Makepeace.

Annual Convention.

The annual convention of the Woman’s Home and Foreign Mission Society will be held on Alton Bay Campground, Tuesday, Aug. 16. Let every Local which can do so send one or more delegates to the convention. Let every Local that cannot send a delegate send a report to Mrs. Sarah K. Taylor, Rockland, Maine, which shall reach her before August. These reports will not only be given at the annual convention, but will be embodied in the Annual of our Denomination which will be published next year.

New Hampshire

Let every woman in New Hampshire try to be present at the Annual Convention held on the camp ground at Alton Bay on Tuesday, Aug. 16.

Transfer Fund

PLEDGED AND PAID BY THE W. H. & F. M. S.

Pledged unconditionally, $125.00

Amendments Proposed

In our By-Laws to be adopted at our Annual Convention it is proposed that Article IV read:

(1) This Society shall be separate and independent in its organization, with President, Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as may be desired; but in the work to be done mutual understanding and friendly auxiliary relations with the American Advent Mission Board shall be sought.

(2) The following Articles shall be numbered to correspond with Article IV.

(3) Section 2 of Article IV shall have inserted: “They shall be chosen in the districts in which they severally reside.”

(4) In Article VII, Section 1 the word September shall be substituted for November.

Shall We Help?

Shall we help the Boston Bible School? Will all our Eastern locals discuss this matter and pray about it? Will you write us what you think of this? If we help, how much shall we help? We have a Home Department in our Society, and what better work can we do in our Home Department than to help educate young men and women for more efficient Christian work both at home and abroad?

Lost

Two photographs of our Famine Orphans, with names of children written on the back of the photos. The finder will confer a great favor by sending the pictures to Mrs. Sarah K. Taylor, Rockland, Maine.

Silver Badges

We have ordered some silver badges for those who want them. The design is in the form of a crown with W. H. F. M. on a black enamel ground. The price is 30 cents. We can furnish gold plate for 50 cents.

Button Badges

We are expecting some more Button Badges in a few days. They will be a little larger than the old ones but will sell at the same price. Two for 5 cents, 25 cents a dozen, 3 cents for one.

New Locals

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC—Bebee Plain—Mrs. Jennie S. Merrihill, Pres.; Mrs. Lucy Brodie, Vice Pres.; Miss Beatrice V. Merritt, Sec. and Treas.

MASSACHUSETTS—Taunton—Mrs. N. L. MacFadyen, Pres.; Mrs. Mable McKinnon, Sec. Newburyport—Mrs. Angie Poor, Pres.; Mrs. J. E. Wears, Sec. Whitman—Mrs. F. L. Shattuck, Pres.; Miss Ruth Bates, Sec.

Vermont—Newport Centre—Mrs. J. R. Cutting, Pres.; Mrs. E. S. Canneett, Vice Pres.; Mrs. E. E. Smith, Sec.; Mrs. S. T. Sweet, Treas. Waterbury—Mrs. Sarah Woodard, Pres.; Mrs. Minnie Farrell, Vice Pres.; Miss Grace Allen, Sec.; Mrs. Ellen Wheeler, Treas.
Letter from India.
From W. I. Edwards

VILLACHERRI, GUINDY, APRIL 21, 1904.

DEAR MRS. TAYLOR:
I must drop a few lines to let you know that I am mailing the plans for the new Ransom Home to you to-day. The first load of the grass for the roof of the old house came to-day. Murugan is at Madras buying some timber to make some changes in the shape of the root so that the old Ransom home will be better ventilated. The sore eyes are not entirely done with yet but the end appears to be not far away.

I shall be so busy the next month that I shall not get much letter writing done.

We must get ready for the work of building the new home, and I think we ought to know if you approve of plan and estimated cost. Then after we have your verdict we must submit plan and estimate to the approval of the proper authorities here, and after they approve, we may go ahead and build. In this way only can we expect the grant that the government makes on school buildings. I am glad to know that the tools are to come.

There are two classifications made by the native Indians, to what is known as the itch here, one kind of itch stands out like small thorns and makes the body rough and ugly. The other kind is an oozzy sore that is very sensitive to the touch and very painful. But one must remember that much of this type is not itch at all, but inherited unmanageable disease that breaks out from time to time. We now have most of the material to repair the Ransom Home on hand, and expect to begin this week.

Yours in Jesus,
W. I. EDWARDS.

From Miss Spence

GUINDY, APRIL 25, 1904.

MY DEAR SISTER TAYLOR:

YOURS of March 25th to 27th at hand. Sickness in India seems different from what it is at home. Here the people get sick and before you question their welfare again they are no more. Death is always very sudden here and when any one of our children fall sick we always wonder what turn it is going to take. Last Saturday we had one of our girls taken very ill, and although she had been very well nourished she almost collapsed that very night. We had to send for the doctor post haste, and we stayed up with her until 2 o'clock in the morning nursing and nourishing her. Then I came out to get a rest, but I could not get one, so I went over again to see how she was. She was in rather a critical condition, and up to one o'clock, yesterday evening, I had to work over her constantly. She is very much better today.

Yes, I am sure now that our labor is not in vain, although death enters and takes away some of our children. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of these little ones, ye have done it unto me," is what the Bible says—therefore our labour is not in vain. Thank you very much for your kind letter of sympathy about baby's death. Poor Miss Saunders is suffering yet because of her diligence over the baby.

I too am sorry that Miss B. left us. But just let me whisper to you the reason which I think was really at the bottom of her leaving us. I think she found the work too heavy. She had not been used to work of any kind before she came to us, and therefore she found it hard, although she hardly did half as much Miss S. or I did in a day. I am not saying this by way of praise or comparison, but because it was a fact. Miss B. was naturally a delicate girl and would not have felt the work had she been stronger, I think.

About workers—we are impressed more and more every day that we want a Medical Missionary man or woman, and a good, smart Adventist preacher and his wife. These are our needs, and they are very great. Just now, I am doing all the Zenana work, and everything connected with the girl's orphanage, and our home. Miss Saunders has the schools and her language. Now, if we got a medical missionary, man or woman, they could do both the medical and missionary work as many others do in India.

My annual report is due this month, and I am looking forward to the second week in May for some leisure to write it in.

Miss Saunders is getting rested in Ooty. I hope to join her for a month. Minnie is here with her babies, keeping me company, and she is going to take charge of the girls when we are away. God bless you.

Yours lovingly,
A. G. SPENCE.

From Florida

The Live Oak local is progressing very nicely. We had a very nice meeting June 2 which ended our second quarter. The President had a very good program arranged. Elder O. T. Mattox gave a very interesting talk on missions which resulted in a collection of $13.87 at the close of which we send half for Foreign missions. I pray the dear Lord may continue to bless us here.

Lake Odgen and Beachville are also doing good work.

JULIA MATTOX, Sec.

Read "Directions" very carefully. Perhaps you would better cut out and preserve the article, and keep it for reference.

MESSIAH'S ADVOCATE

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From England

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The cheapest and simplest way out from here would be by B. I. S. N. boat from London to Madras.

My father has perhaps told you that I know Tamil and passed several difficult examinations in that language before my marriage 11 years ago. Of course my knowledge of it is somewhat rusty after all these years, but I hope to be able to do a good deal at it on my voyage out.

Please pray very fervently for me that I might have that due preparation of the heart which is of the first importance. I shall be very grateful for any papers you can send me about the work. Of course I know a good deal about it through my father and sister and Miss Saunders.

And now with warm Christian love, I am dear Mrs. Taylor.

Very sincerely yours,

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Children's Page

Report of Junior Mission Society of Woodstock, Jr. B.

Our Society was organized October 24, 1903, with six members. The membership has increased to sixteen. Have held fifteen meetings with good attendance. Several children attend and help us in our work who have not yet become members. We have made a quilt which was sent to India. Have made hand-bags, pin cushions, holders, dust caps and picture albums. Made some small presents to sick children, have also sent small bouquets of flowers to sick ones. During the seven months we have received into our treasury:

- Membership fees for general society, $3.20
- Collection, 1.53
- Offering from a friend, 1.00
- Work, 16.03

Total, $21.76

Expended for membership fees for general Society, $3.20
China Orphanage, 2.00
Flowers and presents for sick, .85
Book, postage and money order, .22
Material for work, 7.10
Balance in treasury, 8.39

Total, $21.76

The children have taken a lively interest in their work, which we trust will not only continue, but deepen and grow until their influence will be felt both at home and abroad, and blessing be poured upon their own hearts. We regret the loss of two of our members on account of their moving away, but trust they will find work to do in their new home.

Mrs. Bertha C. Kearney, Superintendent.

For a Class of Small Gifts

First Child. In India the papas are very angry when a little girl baby is born, for they do not know our loving Saviour, Jesus.

Second Child. In China the papas sometimes sell their dear little girls for forty cents apiece; they would not be so cruel if they knew and loved Jesus.

First Child. In this Christian land our papas love their little girls dearly, because they believe in the blessed Christ, who said, "Suffer little children and forbid them not to come unto Me, for of such is the kingdom of heaven.

Third Child. In this Christian land our papas love their little girls dearly, because they believe in the blessed Christ, who said, "Whosoever shall lose his life for My sake shall find it.

All together. Let us all help send the Bible to the heathen.—Selected from Little Helpers.

Out Little Gifts

Lord, when to thee a little lad
Brought five small loaves of bread,
Thy touch enlarged the gift; until
Five thousand men were fed.

So will thou use our little gifts
Of time and work and love,
To bring to many a suffering child
Sweet comforts from above.

—Childrens Missionary Friend.

For Two Little Ones

1. Does Jesus love the children still?
2. We know He does, and always will.
3. What is His word to you to-day?
4. Come unto Me, My words obey.
5. What is His promise, true and kind?
6. They that seek shall surely find.
7. Is serving Him, what is our part?
8. We'll give Him, first of all, our heart.
9. What is the next step,—do you know?
10. Why, then, we'll make His kingdom grown.

"Whisper Song." Missionary Songs and Hymns; page 10.

What they do in China

Dear mamma, I've been to the Mission Band,
And what do you think I have heard?
Such a queer, queer people, in such a queer land!
I'm sure you'll agree 'tis absurd.

Why mamma, they say, "How old are you?"
When they mean "How do you do?"
And they whiten their shoes with the greatest care,
And men wear down their backs long braids of hair.
Their visiting cards are all painted red,
Their dresses for mourning are all in white;
At funerals they feast to their heart's delight.
They shake their own hands when a friend they meet,
And bags and snails are the things they eat.
Their houses they build from the roof to the ground,
And turn their screws the wrong way 'round.
They shave their eyebrows to aid their sight,
And have their fireworks in broad daylight.
Their compass needle points south, they say,
And the boys look on while the old men play;
But of Christ, our Lord, they have never heard,
And, mamma, I want to send them word.

—Mrs. Mary W. Mills in Childrens Missionary Friend.

For love's sake

It is the promise of Jesus that every man who gives up friends or wealth or position for his sake shall be compensated. We can but dimly imagine the glory which in that other world shall be bestowed upon him who parts even with his liberty for the kingdom of God's sake. The following is a wonderfully beautiful example of such devotion.

Some twelve years ago Lough Hook, a Chinese Christian, moved with compassion for the coolies in South American mines, sold himself for a term of five years as a coolie slave, that he might carry the gospel to his countrymen working there. He toiled in the mines with them, and preached Jesus while he toiled, till he had scores of whom he could speak, as Paul of Onesimus, "Whom I have begotten in my bonds." This is a noble example of the possible spiritual power of the despised Chinaman.

Before Lough Hook died he had won to the Savior about two hundred followers, whom he left behind in membership of a church. To a Chinese Chinaman belongs, so far as we know, the unique honor of wearing the Savior's bonds in voluntary servitude.—Selected.

Only a Penny

"Only a penny," I heard them say,
A penny for Jesus, if given each day,
Would send the gospel to every soul
Now sitting in darkness, from pole to pole;
Only a penny from every one
Who bears the name of God's own Son!

—Childrens Missionary Friend.

CRADLE ROLL

Alva Bliss Sanderson, $.25
Iona Mae Sanderson, .25.