

Interesting Services in the New College Building.

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Bessie and I have returned to Indore after a pleasant sojourn in the Himalayas, the last four months in a quiet, lonely spot about fifty miles from Simla. Amidst the grand scenery around us, our hearts became sad as we realized that God's noblest creature was so unworthy of the beautiful world, and so indifferent to the redeeming love of God, though for over fifty years this has been preached to them. "Every prospect pleases, only man is vile," has a meaning there, that Canada seldom can bring out.

Yearly itinerating has been done among them for over fifty years—but the missionary at present in charge of the field, believes it has had a hardening effect, as the gospel was not presented to them in a regular and continuous form; and so he is now seeking new centres in which he means to place teachers and catechists who will, day by day, bring the power of the gospel to bear on them.

The people are intensely conservative, and although without the Hindoo caste, yet, should a Christian touch the outside of their house, only the blood of the goat they think, can cleanse it.

Mr. Rentel has a good boys' school under Government inspection. About one hundred of the boys attend the Sunday-school and are gradually being freed from old prejudices and inclined to the truth. In some places they still observe the Pass-over. After the sheep has been killed and the doors sprinkled the people leave the village for a time, a man takes the place of the scape-goat of the Bible, and after being badly beaten, is driven from the village. Before the British had control he was sacrificed to their God. Within sight of Kotgur is a very old