

a Sunday-school of 15,060.—*Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.*

—Yet again does David with his harp exorcise the evil spirit. For: "Sigan-Fu, a notoriously hostile city, was 'captured' by the late Mr. Holman. Successful in renting a house, he shortly found himself the object of the rage of the populace, who, gathering some 2000 strong, proceeded to eject the 'foreign devil.' A good musician, he stood for three hours in the doorway with his guitar, playing and singing to the people in Swedish (his native language), English, and Chinese. The crowd grew tired, and left him for that day. On several occasions subsequently this was repeated. Finally he was permitted to remain, and Sigan-Fu was opened to the Gospel."

—An excellent little book of nearly 90 pages has been written by Rev. A. C. Chute, of Halifax, and is published by the Baptist Book and Tract Society of the same city, upon the life of John Thomas, physician, and first Baptist missionary to Bengal. The supreme service of this man lies in the fact that he led Carey to his magnificent work in India, while but for him the peerless modern apostle would have buried himself for life in far-off, tiny Tahiti (Otaheite).

WOMAN'S WORK.

—Miss Aldridge, of Chou-ping, China (English Baptist), writes: "Last week I attended a baptism service, when 14 women and 18 men were baptized. It must mean something for the poor women; and, although they have to wait about eighteen months on approbation, I am afraid they know comparatively little even then. It is very difficult for them to stand in the water with their little feet. Mrs. Drake baptized them, and they all went to the women's rooms at her house afterward, and then the men who had been baptized met at the chapel, where an address was given and a communion service held. This is the second baptism service at which

I have been present since reaching Chou-ping."

—Dr. Ida E. Richardson, of Philadelphia, in an interview recently, attributed her professional success largely to this fundamental rule of Christian conduct: "Every patient, in hospital or private practice, has been treated as I would like to be treated were I the patient." What is this but the Golden Rule and the heavenly spirit of missions?

—The Woman's Home Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church has 16 industrial schools and homes, established in various localities in the South, 18 among Indians, Mormons, and New Mexicans, and 20 in the cities, including Deaconess Homes.

—The twenty-fifth annual report of the Methodist Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is a model with its maps, statistical tables (which are usually so conspicuously lacking in such publications), and whatsoever else is needed by the seeker after information. In particular, the maps go far to illustrate and illuminate. Nor is there any patent on this style of a report. *Verbum sap.*

—In several important particulars the thirteenth annual report of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church, Canada, approaches the same high standard. The missionaries number 32, and are to be found in China and Japan, as well as among the Indians, French, and Chinese of the Dominion. The receipts last year were \$34,837, derived from 571 auxiliaries with 13,645 members, and 273 circles and bands with 6424 members.

—The women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, support 35 missionaries in China, Mexico, and Brazil. The society through which they work has 1834 auxiliaries with 37,330 members, and 2312 young people's and juvenile societies with 26,545 members; a total of 67,595 members.