

to our duty, but the devil steps in and says go not. Let us choose whom we will serve, God or the devil.

Another speaker gave two reasons as to why we must preach the Gospel, 1st, fidelity to Christ, the disciples were, on being endued with the Spirit, to be witnesses, in Jerusalem, our own city or town, Judea, our own country, Samaria, meaning those you do not like. The Jews had no dealings with the Samaritans, for us it may be the Jews, and Italians or Chinese in our land and then "to the uttermost parts of the earth."

2nd, Fairness—The forefathers of the great Anglo-Saxon, race were Pagans, think of it ye Christian people, the Gospel of Peace was brought to us by St. Augustine and others, and how can we in all fairness refuse to pass it on and so bless others. It is not the question as to whether the heathen can be saved without the Gospel, but whether the churches can be saved if we do not obey the commission. The conference was a proof that many of the brightest Christians have not turned a deaf ear to the "Macedonia cry," and many noble men and women have gone forth "not to be ministered unto but to minister." It is a never to be forgotten sight that our eyes looked upon, as our ears listened to such veterans as Drs. J. G. Paton, Hudson Taylor, Jacob Chamberlain, William Ashmore, and our own Canadian worker, Dr. John McLaurin, tell of their joys and sorrows, their hopes and fears, but ever affirming their unalterable belief in the ultimate triumph of the Gospel. Let those of us who "stay by the stuff" not forget these many tried and true workers. Eugene Stock, Esq., of London, ably reviewed the growth of missions during the past century. Dr. Pierson said God had prepared the world and paved the way, by the great discoveries of the mariners' compass, steam engine and the printing press, surely it is true "History without God is mystery." During the first quarter of the century Robert Morrison began work in China, ere its close the promoters of missions realised evangelization and conversion were not convertible terms. During the second period it became apparent that the native Christian must be the means used to evangelize their fellow-countrymen, as the missionary staff was so constantly being depleted by the awful ravages of disease. Before this second quarter had run its course China's door was opened. The third quarter was notable for martyr deaths on the various fields "but the blood of the martyr proved

the seed of the Church," as all know who have read the story of work in Madagascar. Mention was also made of the work done for the Indians of the great North-West, extending to Hudson Bay, and the frozen shores of the North Pacific. It is during the last quarter of the century that the greatest progress has been made, doors opened and work begun before which the battlements of Satan are falling, and the banner of Jehovah being unfurled. Dr. Pentecost likens the work that has been done in the past to the storing of dynamite in the holes drilled under some huge rock, when all is ready, the fuse is applied and a mighty upheaval takes place. So surely will God in His own time, touch by His Spirit the great heathen world, and heathenism with all its abominations will fall. "The work of missions is pre-eminently God's enterprise, it is His means of taking out of the nations a people for Himself."

Space will not permit me to dwell on the many other phases of the work discussed, Literature, Giving, Education, etc., and the Medical Work, which was to me most interesting. The latter division of the work was ably presented by Drs. Howard, Taylor, Geo. E. Post, L. R. Scudder and Drs. Mary Bryan, Grace M. Kimball, and S. E. Johnston, the latter I believe, a Eurasian, who received her training largely in the States, on her return to India she was both physician and nurse, but now has 40 Christian students and nurses in whose charge she left her hospital with its 50 beds, while she attended the Conference. She had received a letter from the English physician in the city, that everything was running smoothly and patients well cared for.

Dr. Grace Kimball, who had been in Turkey, did not approve of combining medical and missionary work, either one, being in her estimation, a sufficient tax on one's strength, this view did not meet with approval. Dr. Carlton felt that by combining the two greater good could be accomplished. Dr. Wilson also believes they go hand in hand, and indeed medical missions is admitted by nearly all to be a great factor in the work of Christianizing the heathen world. In China there is a sorry procession of ignorant quacks, and in the case of a wealthy patient, several will call in a single day, not in mutual consultation, and the patient compelled to swallow a series of disgusting compounds. It was felt necessary that medical schools should be established in every country in order that the natives might be