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for

TEACHERS

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The Master's Questions.

Have ye looked for sheep in the desert,
 For those who have lost their way?
 Have ye been in the wild waste places,
 Where the lost and wandering stray?
 Have ye trodden the lonely highway,
 The foul and darksome street?
 It may be ye'd see in the gloaming
 The prints of wounded feet.

Have ye folded home to your bosom
 The trembling, neglected lamb,
 And taught to the little lost one
 The sound of the Shepherd's name?
 Have ye searched for the poor and needy,
 With no clothing, no home, no bread?
 The Son of Man was among them,
 He had nowhere to lay his head.

Have ye carried the living water
 To the parched and thirsty soul?
 Have ye said to the sick and wounded,
 "Christ Jesus makes thee whole"?
 Have ye told my fainting children
 Of the strength of the Father's hand?
 Have ye guided the tottering footsteps
 To the shore of the "Golden Land"?

Have ye stood by the sad and weary,
 To smooth the pillow of death,
 To comfort the sorrow-stricken,
 And strengthen the feeble faith?
 And have ye felt, when the glory
 Has streamed through the open door
 And flitted across the shadows,
 That I had been there before?

—Selected.

Methodist Magazine and Review for September.

A well illustrated article on Holland and its people is of special interest at a time when the world's attention is focused on the Hague. The remarkable secret history of Prince Bismarck, with engravings, is concluded. "In the "Balearics" is a well illustrated account of Spain's last island possessions, save the Canaries. "Lowell and His Friends" has exquisite portraits of the poet and his accomplished wife. No less than three articles are devoted to Ruskin and his message to our age, with copious quotation and excellent portrait. "Mobilizing the Forces of Methodism," by Hugh Price Hughes; a vigorous article by Dr. Sutherland, on "Our Great Forward Movement—Shall it Succeed?" "The Influence of Jesus Christ in Civilization," by Dr. Hillis, are noteworthy papers. An illustrated story of the days of Wesley, the World's Progress, and other articles, make up a notable number. Eight articles are illustrated.

A prominent Dutch gentleman, who travelled for years in the Dutch East Indies, speaks thus of his approach to the village bordering on Toba Lake, where the missionaries have established churches: "To be welcomed in the land of cannibals by children singing hymns; this, indeed, shows the regenerating power of the Gospel."