

RANSOM OF SLAVES

WE beg to call the attention of our kind readers to a Work of Mercy extraordinarily meritorious, that is to our AFRICAN RANSOM WORK. It is true the European Powers have abolished slavery in Africa, at least the most horrible phase of slavery. Those human meat markets of Tabora, of Ujiji, etc, have been done away with. However, slaves are still numberless in Central Africa and elsewhere. Thousands of children and even adults, men and women, kidnapped during wars out of revenge, or given away from motives of superstition are to be daily seen by Missionaries. They belong to heathens or to cruel Mahomedans, whose cruelty eye-witnesses alone can understand. Every week, nay every day, Missionaries would redeem those poor creatures had they money enough to do so.

The ordinary price of ransom is the sum of **twenty dollars**. Those who send \$20.00 for a ransom become the adoptive parents of the one they free, and may choose the Christian name to be given them when they are baptized.

GIFTS TO THE MISSION.

Cancelled Stamp Work :

10 Ransom of Mary	\$20.00
20 Ransom of Joseph	20.00
From Belleville, ransom of a girl	20.00
From A. M. W. ransom of Mary	20.00
From Rockaway, ransom of Francis	20.00
From Glace Bay, ransom of Patrick	20.00
From New-York, for a Man-Catechist	15.00
From Philadelphia, for a Man-Catechist	15.00
From Baltimore, for a Woman-Catechist	10.00
From Spencer, for the Mission	10.00
From San Raphael, or the Mission	10.00
From San Francisco, for First Communion	3.00
From amount of smaller gifts	43.25

DECEASED

Mrs. Michael Long, Collingwood.—Mrs. John O'Reilly, Toronto.—Mr. C. C. Custance, Toronto.—Mr. Thomas Tobin, Lindsay.

Requiescant in pace.

RECOMMENDATIONS

22 conversions.—11 vocations.—27 spiritual favors.—42 sick.—18 temporal favors.—16 thanks-giving.—18 intentions for friends who promise to get subscriptions to *The African Missions* if their prayers are heard.

Prayers have been requested with the promise to secure help for the ransom of slaves.