

**A steam vessel.** There is a steam vessel running between Australia and the New Hebrides this year, and our Church is paying this steamer a certain sum to carry letters, supplies, building material, &c., to all the missions in the group. This, for the present we may look upon as our mission steamer, our Day Spring, and any who wish to help in this work can send their money to the agent of the Church for that purpose

**Those Essays.** Are just beginning to come in. Three have been received, but there has scarcely been time for any as yet. Let there be a large number. If so, then there will be essays and prizes on such subjects as: Our New Hebrides Mission: our Trinidad Mission; our Formosa Mission; our India Mission; our Honan Mission; our Home Missions; our French work, &c. They will be a little longer than the one you have been asked for, to give you a little more room for describing the work.

**Mission Jubilee.** is nearly fifty years since our Church began Foreign Mission work, and next summer there will be a celebration of our mission jubilee. And what have we to show in fifty years? Perhaps not so much as we might have, but we have more than seventy men and women from Canada working as missionaries in Foreign lands, and many Christian people there as a result of their labors. Besides these we have ten missionaries and their wives, and some teachers, laboring among the Indians of the North-West and British Columbia, and among the Chinese in Victoria.

Some of you who read this will live to see another mission jubilee, fifty years hence. Then it will be "our century of missions." What shall it be? If mission work goes on as it has in the past fifty years, there will be few places where the Gospel will not be preached. How some of us would like to see that day! Do your part well, young people, and make that far off day a day of joy and triumph for those who live to see it.

**A Noble Girl.** Who is she? One of our own missionary children, the eldest daughter of our missionary, Mr. Mackenzie of Efate.

A few months ago you had a picture of Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie, and you were told that Mrs. Mackenzie had died suddenly not long before, and that Mr. Mackenzie was left alone among the natives, two of his children being away in Australia at school, and the other, a young woman, being a professional nurse in the city of Sydney, Australia.

When this young woman heard of her mother's death, she gave up, for a time at least, her good profession, and all the benefits of life in Sydney, and went away to Efate to help her father, and she is there now bravely and lovingly working for Christ.

**A Shareholder.** A poor boy in England was going to a meeting of the Bible Society. The day was very stormy. When asked why he was so anxious to go, he said, "I have share in the concern." All he could give was a penny but he felt that he was a shareholder and he wanted to hear what was being done.

You are each one a shareholder in all the mission work of our Church just as really as are the ministers and elders, and older members of the Church.

We have a mission in the New Hebrides where six men and women from Canada are working with others from Scotland and Australia. We have twelve men and women from Canada laboring among the 80,000 Indians of Trinidad. We have nearly thirty men and women from Canada in Central India, nineteen in Honan, and four in Formosa. A few of these, worn out with the work, and care, and heat, are away from their different fields for a rest, but hope to recruit and go back again.

In the work of all these you have each a share. They are doing your work. You are a shareholder in it. When you read missionary letters, you are reading, not of the works of another which you are helping, but of your own work. In all your collecting and giving you are doing so for your own work.