

That missionaries' children, providentially separated from parental supervision, may have special Divine watch-care, and receive training for large usefulness in mission fields or elsewhere.

That the governments of the earth may be restrained from putting obstacles in the way of mission work, and that the time may speedily come when there shall be perfect liberty of opinion and public worship.

That white men may cease to oppress the black and colored races, and in particular some way be found to stay the ravages of rum among the defenceless children of nature.

That the slave trade may soon become a thing of the past, and that all the intercourse, commercial or political, of nominal Christians with those of other religions may impress them with the superiority of our faith.—*Missionary Review of the World, August, 1892.*

Patience a Chief Requisite in Missionary Work.

The Christian worker, whether at home or abroad, finds a patient continuance in well-doing absolutely necessary. No flash of enthusiasm or sudden burst of impulsive effort suffices to arouse a sleeping church or to save a sinful world. It is an easy thing, for instance, to set out in a glow of love and zeal to win all Christian women around us to take part in our missionary endeavour. But we "have need of patience," when the effort fails, and only the same select few gather at our eager call. It is easy also in private prayer to exult in a full assurance that the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord. But when we come down from the mount of vision, and obstacles multiply, and progress is slow, and the blessing tarries, we want to be strengthened with all might according to His glorious power *unto all patience.*