

**RESPONSE.**—"Sinners perishing all around me, and I almost panting to tell the far off heathen of Christ! Surely this is wrong. I will no longer indulge the vain foolish wish, but endeavor to be useful in the position where Providence has placed me."—*Sarah B. Hall.*

**PROMISE.**—Trust in the Lord and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.—*Psalms, 37: 30.*

**RESPONSE.**—"I go in the name of the Lord, believing and relying upon His promises."—*Addie C. Morris.*

**PROMISE.**—In all places where I record my name, I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.—*Ex. 20: 24.*

**RESPONSE.**—"I have proved this twice in Dakota."—*Emma L. Miller.*

**PROMISE.**—And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever.—*Dan. 12: 3.*

**RESPONSE.**—"Let me shine for Thee, O Saviour, but choose Thou the way in which I shall reflect the light Thou dost pour into my heart and life. It will be enough for me if I shine for Thee in Thy way."—*Invalid.*

**PROMISE.**—And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow into it.—*Isaiah, 11: 2.*

"O that we could enter at a thousand gates, that every limb were a tongue, and every tongue a trumpet, to spread the gospel sound."—*S. J. Mills.*

**PROMISE.**—Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion; for, lo, I come, and I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the Lord.—*Zech. 2: 10.*

**RESPONSE.**—"If my Saviour were here on earth he would surely be found among these colored people; and I have the daily assurance that he walks with me as I enter their lowly cabins, and give to their neglected little ones a mother's love and kindly counsel."—*Joanna P. Moore.*

**PROMISE.**—Princes shall come out of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.—*Ps. lxxiii: 31.*

**RESPONSE.**—"I have been blamed for giving so many thousand dollars for the benefit of colored men. But I expect to stand side by side with these men on the day of judgement. Their Lord is my Lord. They and I are brethren; and I am determined to be prepared for that meeting."—*Nathan Bishop, LL. D.*

**PROMISE.**—For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations.—*Isa. lxvii: 11.*

**RESPONSE.**—"To-day there are recorded 3,847 volunteers ready, or preparing, to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ in every land under the sun."—*Missionary Review.*

#### NEWS FROM THE WIDE FIELD.

The news which we present this month is surely cause for praise, "His promises are yea and amen in Christ Jesus."

The Rev. Dr Mackay writes from Formosa of a wholesale turning from idolatry. By unanimous vote

the people of Ka-le-oan handed over a heathen temple for Christian service, and nearly 500 cleared their houses of idols, and a great bonfire was made of the rejected gods.—*Missionary Review.*

Reports from Japan indicate that about 400 people are baptized in the Protestant Church every month.

In the China Inland Mission field there are 40 men and women working in the foreign field just as they would work in their own churches at home, entirely supporting themselves.

A western farmer has recently sold his house and lands, and with his wife and children—all consecrated to the work—has gone to Africa to constitute a self-supporting missionary household. A lady of wealth, within the last month; sailed from New York, taking with her eight other missionaries, she providing for the perpetual support of all the party. The widow of one of our honored missionaries is carrying on a work in Japan of the same kind, she providing for the entire support of herself and her co-laborers.—*Dr. Gordon in Missionary Review.*

REV. E. G. PHILLIPS, of the American Baptist Missionary Union, writes:—"The work among the Garos (in Assam) seems to be moving on with increased momentum. In this tribe there were, last year, about 375 baptisms, on personal confession of faith in Christ, and the number of communicants rose to about 1,000. Every year marks advancement in Christian life. These converts are organized into fifteen churches, eleven of which are self-supporting, and every year marks advancement along this line. The movement started last year, aiming to establish a school of higher grade than the village schools, to be supported and controlled by the native Christians themselves, has met with success. The school has been opened with quite a large attendance.

The native Christians are becoming more and more earnest in their efforts for the conversion of the heathen. There is a tribe of aborigines, semi-Hinduised, living on the plains adjoining the Garos. These formerly considered themselves as of a higher class than the Garos, and, to a degree, despised them. But coming into contact with the Christians as they have, has worked a change, and now they are asking for religious instruction; and this year one small Christian village is supporting their own teacher of last year, as an evangelist to them. Others are showing their interest in these neighbors and the work of preaching to the unconverted of their own tribe is carried on with enthusiasm. The preachers are working with the conviction that the whole tribe will soon be brought to Christ.

Among the Kols the work is progressing. These are aborigines from Central India, who have been imported into Upper Assam, in great numbers as laborers on the tea gardens. Of these Kols and kindred tribes 300,000 or more are in Assam, and the number is constantly increasing. Among them one missionary is laboring with great encouragement. Last year about forty were baptized. In March last he baptized forty-three, and the communicants from this tribe number 300, or more.

Among the Mikirs, a hill tribe of 90,000, there has been an interest for many years, and a few converts gathered in connection with work for another people, their neighbors. Three years ago converts from this tribe petitioned for a missionary. A missionary and wife have been sent to them, and we may confidently hope for the work to progress rapidly among them.—*Christian.*