

Bengal Government before they were able to make the advance. Most of the party left Darjeeling on September 28th, Miss Taylor, with two others, remaining behind a day or two to superintend the despatching of their boxes, 118 in number.

—The first person baptized by Dr. Judson in Maulmein died in the mission hospital there last July. She was a very aged Burman woman.

—The death of the Rev. Charles W. Forman, of the Lodiuna Mission, which occurred August 27th, removes one of the most venerated and beloved missionaries connected with the Presbyterian Board. Dr. Forman was a native of Kentucky, and a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary. He sailed for India in 1847, while mission work in that vast empire was still in its infancy. In 1846, at the close of the first Sikh war, the mission had crossed the Sutlej and planted a station at Jullundur within the Punjab. From that day to this he has toiled steadily on for almost fifty years with great efficiency, and being universally beloved. A notoriously anti-Christian newspaper published in Lahore states editorially that "no foreigner has ever entered the Punjab who has done so much for the Punjab as Padri Forman Sahib." Not least among his services to the Church and to India was the giving of 3 sons and 2 daughters to the missionary work, 2 of whom are connected with the Lodiuna Mission.

China.—Miss Elizabeth Stoddard writes as follows in the *Independent* concerning a trip into the interior: "As I heard the schoolgirls sweetly singing first and second parts of 'All the way long it is Jesus,' I could not help thinking what a disastrous thing it is for Satan's kingdom in China when the name of Jesus and the story of His love is set to some sweet melody and hymned out from native lips, prompted by a heart of gratitude. I am not sure if there is anything that makes devils tremble much more than the discovery

that the Chinese can be taught to make melodious sounds as well as have melody in their hearts. Oh, the horrible concatenation of sounds that passes for music in this China! Now many mothers may put their children to sleep hushed by the same sweet lullabys our mothers hymned to us in days gone by."

Again: "On the boat passing the 'customs' you will hear the men shouting out 'Jesus Hall' and then you appear by way of confirming their verbal testimony by personal witness. On the river boats, you may find a list of the passengers as follows: 'Sixty-eight Chinese and 3 Jesus men.' You will hear, perhaps, also 'foreigner—Jesus,' by some one passing."

She also ventures to suggest: "They do not have any too much fun in their often dark and sunless lives. I have sometimes thought since coming to China that councils might perhaps add with advantage to the list of necessary qualifications for an intending missionary, the possession by the candidate of a quarter of an ounce of solid fun! It might stand them in very good stead sometimes."

—"His name is Sun-ho, and he is a sugar merchant in Peh-tsiu-ou, a station of the Swatow Mission in the Jamsau District. Mr. Sun-ho, a man in comfortable circumstances, but by no means rich, is a Christian. He was at first a member of the church at Jamsau. He resolved some years ago to set up a station in his own town, and subscribed the greater part of the money required for the erection of a place of worship. He paid the whole of the preacher's salary for the first year, and a large part of it in each subsequent year. He buys medicines and gives them away to the poor. His house is open to all Christians passing through the town; and to crown his proofs of sincere faith, he has been an active and successful Christian worker."

—Rev. Gilbert Reid, for ten years a Presbyterian missionary, and still in ex-