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THE PASSING OF MRS. A. A. SCOTT

On Saturday morning, February the twenty-sixth, the long months of pain and suffering, which have been the portion of Mrs. Scott, were succeeded by rest and peace in the presence of her Master, whom she loved so well and served so faithfully.

A very beautiful funeral service was held in St. Clair Avenue Baptist Church, on Tuesday, March the 1st. The church was filled by friends and relatives, and many of the members of the General and Women's Foreign Mission Boards.

Mrs. Scott's life history was given by several who had been intimately associated with her in her various activities. It was of unique interest to hear from Dr. McTavish, the pastor for 20 years of Grosvenor Presbyterian Church, of which Mrs. Scott was once a member. He recalled Mrs. Scott as a little girl, taking prizes for faithful attendance at Sunday School; her uniting with the church upon profession of faith in Christ; and her subsequent eager participation in the work of preaching the Gospel through the Elizabeth Street Mission.

The pastor of Immanuel Church, Mr. Smith, spoke of Mrs. Scott as a member of that church. As a young woman she had as a matter of conviction, united with Immanuel Baptist Church, and was a member during her years of service in India. One who knew her as a young girl says of her: "She was the sweetest most unselfish Christian girl I ever knew." She is remembered by the members of her church as wholly consecrated to the service of Christ.

During the earliest days of the Bible Training School, Margaret Fisher, entered for study, and later graduated. Mr. McNichol, the present Principal was associated with her in the class-

room, and in work at the Elizabeth St. Mission. He spoke of Miss Fisher as an enthusiastic Bible student, and as a missionary of courage and faith. She was ready always to go into the darkest and most degraded places, without fear, if only she might help one of God's erring children to find the Light.

Mr. H. E. Stillwell, who was in India in 1904, when Mr. and Mrs. Scott first arrived, described Mrs. Scott as a vitally radiant woman. He told of her work of the first term, as head of a large boys' school of Tuni. Her utter abandonment of self in service, her tireless energy, fine motherly instincts, and the inestimable value of her unselfishness and devotion, in their influence on those boys, who were to be the future teachers and preachers, were all brought vividly before his hearers by Mr. Stillwell's earnest and sympathetic tribute.

The second term in India was described by Rev. Mr. Chute. During this term Mrs. Scott was relieved of the boys' school. Her children were in boarding school. Her heart, deprived of the natural outlet of mother love in the care of her own, seemed to widen and intensify in devotion and love. She mothered all the boys and girls of the field whom she could reach. She undertook the organization and supervision of the evangelistic schools of the Tuni field. She pursued this work with characteristic zeal. The schools were established in eighty different centres. Her strength finally gave out under this heavy strain. She, like her Master, "saved others, herself she could not save."

Beautiful was the tribute paid by Dr. Pearl Chute. Since last July, the Chutes' and Scott's have been very close neighbors at the Mission houses on Ellsworth Avenue, and Dr. Chute has rendered a service of helpfulness during all the trying days, which cannot be over-es-

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