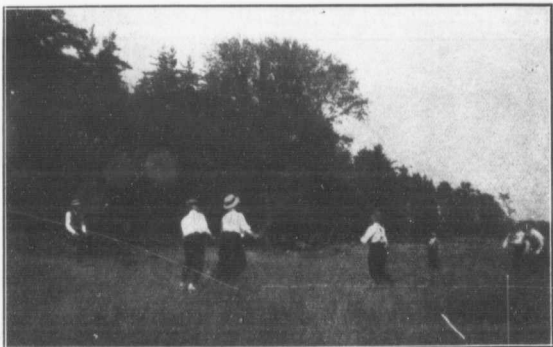


work in connection with the anti-foot-binding campaign to save the little girls from a crippled childhood and give the mothers of the nation the use of their feet? What has influenced the Chinese Government so that the study of Western medicine is included in their new educational system? Government hospitals in China? Yes, be surprised at nothing in this land of progress. Where are the dirty, disease-carrying beggars of the city gone? Gathered into an industrial refuge where they are taught to be self-supporting. Those good-for-nothing tramps! Some are at work. How is the orphanage for abandoned girl babies getting on? Closed because there were no babies. No babies, and it has two thousand under its care! What has made it possible for the mothers to keep

The missionary force of doctors is over 300, the mission hospitals number 240, with over 400 dispensaries. There are over 300 foreign trained nurses, with many native assistants.

The medical missionary in Korea, Africa and among the Moslems finds opportunity to create better social conditions, in much the same way as his fellow-workers among the North American Indian, the Chinese or the people in British India. "These Christian physicians reaching the soul through the body and the body through the soul are girdling the globe to-day with the most modern and most intelligible of all versions of the Christian Bible. There is not only a work of individuals for individuals—it is the union of all who love in the service of all who suffer."



A GOOD KICK.

Amateur photograph. By Homer J. Malice, O. A. C., Guelph.

all their girl babies? In answering these questions the influence of the medical missionary must be given an important place. China is facing toward the light. Medical missionary statistics for China are 365 doctors, 207 hospitals, 292 dispensaries, upwards of 401 medical students, 26 colleges or schools or classes.

Perhaps no country has benefited socially from the influence and work of the medical missionary as much as India. "In a land where there is seldom a sewer, even in the largest cities, where holiness and dirt have been for centuries associated, where people drink holy water from stagnant tanks covered with foul scum, where thousands daily bathe and wash and drink standing water deep in the Ganges, while dead bodies float past in the stream—in such a land the medical missionary is a boon beyond belief. Preventive medicine becomes of the first importance." The missionary must save the community as well as the individual.

The appreciation by the natives of the work of the medical missionaries has found practical expression in gifts of hospitals and dispensaries. Families of Indian princes are often among the patients of the medical missionary; this affords the coveted opportunity to introduce Christianity.

Villages, homes and individuals have put aside prejudice and sought the service of the foreign doctor. Christian congregations are taught methods of sanitation, healthful living is made a part of Christian teaching. The practical application of this teaching may be found in improved homes, villages and communities. The work yet to be done in India is appalling, and the laborers are few.

## SUGGESTIONS.

Impress upon every member of the League the importance of the missionary meeting.

Work for a large attendance.

Make a list of the missionary books in your Sunday-school library and post it up where all may read. Ask for volunteer readers for the books.

Prepare a Bulletin Board for missionary announcements and latest news. See the *Missionary Bulletin*.

Write on the blackboard the name and address of the missionary you are helping to support and ask all to pray for him and his work.

Members of your League who have been in a study class will be prepared to help with the programme.

In arranging the programme give ample time for preparation.

An impersonation of Dr. Kilborn, well prepared, would show the influence of the medical missionary in West China.

Have good music; if possible have a duet or quartette just after the intermission.

Consult these books: "The Social Aspects of Foreign Missions," by Dr. Faunce; paper, 40c.; cloth, 60c. "Heal the Sick" (China), by Dr. O. L. Kilborn; paper, 40c.; cloth, 60c. "Up and Down the North Pacific Coast," by Dr. Crosby; paper, 50c.; cloth, 75c. Order from Dr. F. C. Stephenson, Methodist Mission Rooms, Toronto.

Then will always rejoice in the evening, if thou hast spent the day profitably.  
—Thomas a Kempis.

Keep close to duty. Never mind the future; if only you have peace of conscience, if you feel yourself reconciled, and in harmony with the order of things. Be what you ought to be; the rest is God's affair. It is for Him to know what is best, to take care of His own glory, to ensure the happiness of what depends on Him, whether by better life or by annihilation. And supposing that there were no good and holy God. . . duty would still be the key of the enigma, the pole-star of a wandering humanity.—Amiel.

We are not sent into the world to do anything into which we cannot put our hearts. We have certain work to do for our bread, and that has to be done strenuously; other work to do for our delight, and that is to be done heartily; neither is to be done by halves and shifts, but with a will; and what is not with this effort is not to be done at all.—Ruskin.

## WHO WROTE THIS POEM?

In our last number we started this poem identification contest. Some classic verses of Schiller, the celebrated German dramatist, lyric poet and prose writer (1759-1805), were chosen as our first selection, for the beautiful sentiment they express and their striking contrast to the practice of German arms to-day. His lines are worthy of a place in all our hearts and of exemplification in every Christian life. Our young friends will do well to memorize them.

This month we print a timely Naval Ode, one of the most popular pieces ever written. Our query is, "Who wrote it?" Our offer is a nice book prize to the Epworth Leaguer, other than a minister, who sends to this office within a month of the date of this paper, the best account on a postcard, of the author and his writings. The award will be announced in due course.

## I.

Ye mariners of England!  
That guard our native seas;  
Whose flag has braved a thousand years,  
The battle and the breeze!  
Your glorious standard launch again  
To match another foe!  
And sweep through the deep,  
While the stormy winds do blow;  
Your many hearts shall glow,  
And the stormy winds do blow.

## II.

The spirits of your fathers  
Shall start from every wave!—  
For the deck is o'er the field of fame,  
And ocean was their grave!  
Where Blake and mighty Nelson fell,  
Your many hearts shall glow,  
As ye sweep through the deep,  
While the stormy winds do blow;  
While the battle rages loud and long,  
And the stormy winds do blow.

## III.

Britannia needs no bulwarks,  
No towers along the steep;  
Her march is o'er the mountain waves,  
Her home is on the deep.  
With thunders from her native oak  
She smites the Galla helms!  
As they roar on the shore,  
When the stormy winds do blow;  
When the battle rages loud and long,  
And the stormy winds do blow.

## IV.

The meteor flag of England  
Shall yet terrific burn;  
Till danger's torch is snuffed out,  
And the year of peace return.  
Then, then, ye ocean warriors!  
Our song and feet shall flow  
To the fame of your name.  
When the storm has ceased to blow;  
When the fiery fight is heard no more,  
And the storm has ceased to blow.

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