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CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

Christmas gifts for thee,
Grand and free!
Christmas gifts from the King of love,
Brought from His regal house above;
Brought to thee in the far-off land,
Brought to thee by His own dear hands.
Promises held by Christ for thee,
Peace as a river flowing free,
Joy that in His own joy must live,
And love that Infinite love can give.
Surely thy heart of hearts uplifts
Carols of praise for such Christmas gifts.

H. M. HAVERGAL.

In a note received from Rev. John Craig, dated October 18, we were pleased to learn that Rev. and Mrs. McLeod had arrived in India and were to spend a few weeks at Samulkot before going to their field. We hope to hear soon of the safe arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Stillwell and Miss McLeod.

Rev. Mr. Scott writes encouragingly in *The Baptist* of the work in Tuni. "From ten villages we have had accessions by baptism this year, one of these hitherto an unbroken mass of heathenism. In several other new villages hearts are opening to receive Christ, and scores of the older villages are becoming increasingly fruitful. The future is bright with promise. Writing especially for my own field, Tuni, I find prospects of an abundant harvest, and that at no distant date. Others have labored and we are entering into their labors. May God grant that the issue may prove that He has sent us to reap."

The late Robert Louis Stevenson said: "I had conceived a great prejudice against missions in the South Seas, but I had no sooner come there than that prejudice was at first reduced and at last annihilated. Those who debaterate against missions have only one thing to do, to come and see them on the spot."

CASTE PEOPLE CONVERTED

Rev. George H. Brock, of Kanigiri, in our Telugu mission field, is greatly rejoiced because a large number of the Sudra or farmer caste are becoming converts to Christianity. The people of this caste mingle very freely with the Christians of all castes and no caste, something which was practically unknown in India a few years ago. Mr. Brock believes that a very great ingathering is coming from the Sudras before very long, and Dr. John McLaurin, who has, been visiting Mr. Brock, says that every day the house was besieged by persons representing all castes seeking light on religious subjects.

Interesting letters have been received from Misses Priest, McLaurin and Robertson which have to be deferred till next issue. One extract from Miss McLaurin's is too important to be delayed. "Revival is in the air here. Ever since the news of what God was doing in Wales began to reach us, our hearts' desire and prayer for a revival in India has been increased. And not only are we desiring it and praying for it, but we are *looking for it*, and it has already begun. Your missionaries in India are praying daily that the revival may be granted to us here in every station and section of our work. Will you not join us in this daily prayer?"

Tidings have come of a wonderful work of grace in The Industrial Evangelistic Mission of Northern India. The revival began by one brother confessing his sin, from which others became convicted, often thirty at a time being on the floor waiting to confess. One boy was so afraid of leaving out something that he wrote out a long list as a reminder.

The news of this has spread all over the District, and the heathen are asking what it means. This gives opportunity to preach to them of Christ's power to save. Many have been regenerated one day, and baptized with the Holy Spirit the next. Hearts are on fire, for the blessed work to spread, and many are ready and eager to carry the Gospel to thousands around them and to tell of a Saviour who not only saves from sins' penalty, but form its power.