

vernacular newspaper in Bengalee—the language of 70,000,000 of human beings; the first printing press on an organized scale, paper-mill and steam engine seen in India; the first Christian primary school in North India; the first efforts to educate native girls and women; the first college to train native ministers and Christianize educated Hindus; the first Hindu Protestant convert, Krishna Chundra Pal, baptized in 1800; the first medical mission, of which that convert was to some extent the fruit; the establishment and maintenance of at least 30 separate large mission stations, besides Judson's great work in Burma, which resulted in the foundation of the American Baptist Missionary Society; the first private garden and society for the improvement of native and European agriculture and horticulture in India; the first savings bank in India; the first translations into English of the great Sanskrit epics, the *Ramayana* and *Mahabarat*, and the first translation of the Bible into Sanskrit, both being means of bringing the learned classes of India and the Gospel into sympathetic accord. The indirect results of the work of Carey or his beloved associates can best be expressed as the *Preparatio Evangelica*, which 50 years only after Carey's death has increased the Protestant native Church of India to a community of half a million of souls, who have more ordained pastors of their own than foreign missionaries, and who increase at the rate of 86 per cent every decade.

As an exchange remarks, May 8th ought to be a red-letter day in Japan. The sun rose on Perry's fleet anchored in Mississippi Bay on that morning in 1853. In 1857 our envoy, Townsend Harris (aided by his Dutch secretary, secured by the Rev. Dr. De Witt), concluded treaty negotiations in Yedo on that day. Thirty-eight years afterward, on the same date, Premier Ito, at Chefoo, in China, ratified the treaty of peace which adds Formosa to the island chain of Japan, which now stretches from Arctic to tropic regions.

When a company of wounded Chinese soldiers were taken to the Red Cross Hospital at Tokyo, were taken care of there, laid on soft beds and provided with good food, they were astonished, and feared they were being fat-

tened for slaughter. So little did they understand the charity and compassion which the Gospel of Christ teaches. This reminds us of one of the experiences of John Williams in the South Seas, when the Christian party, being victors, set a feast and fed all the captives taken in war, which so melted their foes that for sheer emotion they could not eat, and actually knelt at the tables and submitted to the God of their captors!

Rev. Dr. Henry Martyn Scudder, so well known for his work in India, and afterward in Brooklyn and in Chicago, died, June 4th, at Winchester, Mass., and leaves behind him a record of great service in manifold forms. He was one of the brightest, keenest men ever on the missionary field. Even the acute, astute Brahmans found their match in the ready wit and fertile resource of this missionary. Indeed, he had himself much of the best traits and characteristic subtlety of the Hindu mind. To the last he continued the warm friend and powerful advocate of missions. He belonged to a family, of remarkable characters and careers, whose names will not soon be forgotten. We hope a biography of Dr. Scudder will be given to the world. If the materials exist for an autobiography—that is, as Dr. Holmes used to say, what a biography ought to be.

Mrs. William Thaw, of Pittsburgh, forwards a copy of the "Constitution of the Westminster Society," which is proposed to make the basis of an organization in various churches.

"The object of this society shall be to train the young members of the Church in the history, doctrines, and customs of the Presbyterian Church, to the end that the kingdom of the Redeemer may be advanced through the upbuilding of believers and the development of a true missionary spirit."

It embraces a missionary and religious committee, whose work is the study of missionary methods; the discussion, by obtaining subscriptions