

penny in your mite-box, under the following conditions, thus thanking God that blessings increase and faults decrease; and by fines for your faults. Every time you are honestly rebuked, read a book, favorite plant blooms, receive a present, forget to say "thank you," speak cross, speak ungrammatically, use a slang phrase, an opportunity for doing good is wasted, forget to close the door gently, receive a reward of merit, receive a letter, are spoken kindly to, have a new friend, are deservedly praised, can speak a good word for an acquaintance, learn a new chapter in the Bible, learn a new song, can play a new piece of music without a mistake, etc.

—As a missionary possessed of a racy style, and who is sure to write what the young will be sure to read, Rev. L. D. Morse may be named, whose letters appear quite often in the *Messenger and Visitor* (Baptist, St. John, N. B.), under the title "Sights and Sounds in India."

UNITED STATES.

—The Boston street-car company this year gave to the poor 20,000 tickets for free rides on the electric cars.

—It is stated that Cambridge, Mass., has been eight years without a saloon. Its population is over 80,000. The secret bars have been rooted out, and it has long been difficult to procure intoxicating liquor in the city. Meanwhile, the valuation of the city increased from \$59,703,000 to \$76,282,000, and the same rate of taxation produces \$130,000 more than formerly. The once 122 saloons have been turned into stores or dwellings.

—Booker T. Washington, Principal of Tuskegee (Ala.) Normal and Industrial Institute, has won a notable victory for himself and his race, in receiving an invitation to make an address at the Atlanta Exposition. He has always maintained that the best element of the South would recognize and honor the negro as soon as he proved himself worthy.

—Oberlin is increasingly proving itself to be the paradise for missionaries home on furlough and their children who must be educated in this country. Just now 8 adults are resident here, with 45 boys and girls, while enough more have recently departed, or are soon to arrive, to raise the number to 70 for the current year. These represent 7 countries—Africa, China, India, Japan, Mexico, Micronesia, and Turkey—and 14 missions of the American Board. Judson Cottage will hold scarcely half who desire to enter, and several thousand dollars are imperatively needed for the new building.

—Theodore Roosevelt, in the September *Forum*, speaks thus wisely on the enforcement of law: "In the end we shall win in spite of the open opposition of the forces of evil, in spite of the timid surrender of the weakly good, if only we stand squarely and fairly on the platform of the honest enforcement of the law of the land. But if we are to face defeat instead of victory, that would not alter our convictions and would not cause us to flinch one hand's breadth from the course we have been pursuing. There are prices too dear to be paid even for victory."

—The influence of the work done among the Japanese in San Francisco is far-reaching. The majority of young men coming in personal contact with missions sooner or later return to their native land, and in many instances carry back with them new purposes and high ideals. At the present time 4 young men who were converted in this city are practising physicians in Japan. Others are teachers in Japanese schools. One is professor in the Government Agricultural College at Osaka. Others are evangelists among their own people.

—At the last annual meeting of the American Missionary Association, Professor T. S. Inborden said: "What has this society done for the negro? It has caused some of our Southern boys and girls to put a part of the English Bible