

bath morning. Mr. Patrick, who is now minister of Mount Park, the church with which Jean was connected during all her long life, spoke thus of her from the pulpit: "I believe that her life was one long Sabbath, that she was one of those who dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of their lives, and inquire in His temple continually. Her whole life spoke of Christ, and spoke for Christ. Her constant aim was to forget herself to lose herself in Him. She loved the Master whom she loved. A purer and a more unclouded faith I have not often known—a faith that was so trustful, so utterly humble, so real, so full of Christ. To meet her, and to watch her daily life was, to any true heart, to be brought nearer to God. She might have said, had her humility permitted her, 'For me to die will be gain, for me to live has been Christ.' What she did say was 'We are but poor creatures at the best; it is of the Lord's mercies we are not consumed.'"

Surely it needs no comment to read the story of Jean's life afloat, to see in this homely, heroic soul a daughter of the King, whose soul even here she wore on her brow; to see her to be truly great as she traversed the pathway of obedience, bearing the cross for Jesus' sake.

"For the power to live is the right to reign  
And the Christ-like, alone, are great."

The record of such a consecrated life, ennobled through self-sacrifice, is in itself a heritage to our Church; but, besides this Jean, has left her hard-earned savings to the missionary cause she loved so well. Thus, though she herself has passed away, her work still lives on, and may yet be fraught with far-reaching issues. Though dead, Jean yet speaks, and the voice that reaches us through her seems to say: "Behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be." *Zionist Mission Quarterly*

#### A TESTIMONY TO THE SUCCESS OF MISSIONS.

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While educated Hindus and Mohammedans have been testing the gullibility of American Christians as to the benediction of their religions and the slight effect years of Christian effort have made upon them, let us see if it has not more than "scratched the surface" of Buddhism in Burma.

The Gospel has been preached in Maulmein for less than seventy years, and what is there to show for it?

As you land at the Tavoy wharf and look up at the first signboard, you will see in English and Burmese, "Mission Road." Another street running at right angles with it is known as Christian Street. Nearly opposite the junction of these roads stands the Burmese Baptist Chapel, a solid brick structure, kept in neat repair by the members of the church. The Christians living in these streets have good, substantial houses, some larger than the missionary's house, well furnished, with an air of comfort about them. The church numbers about two hundred and fifty members at present, and probably as many more have gone home to glory. They support their own pastor and a city missionary. There is a flourishing Sunday school of one hundred and eighty members; a Woman's Christian Temperance Union, a Woman's Evangelical Society, and a Tongkoo Missionary Society collect money monthly for their respective work.

The young people are strong in the Y. P. S. C. E., and a circle of King's Daughters. The latter have done efficient service in connection with the mission dispensary and hospital the past year. The contributions of the church last year averaged about Rs. 6, or two dollars per member.

Last week, a poor Tongkoo Christian, living thirty odd miles from town, was burned out. This week the missionary takes to his relief Rs. 62, or over twenty dollars as a freewill

offering from his Christian brethren and sisters. The Buddhist would sit stolidly by and say: "It is his fate. Probably he committed some great sin in a former state of existence, for which this is the punishment." I have seen boats overturned in the swift currents of the Irrawaddy river, and other boats sailing by, not offering the least help to the struggling men in the water, because they would not "interfere with a man's fate."

Four large Christian schools show what Christianity is doing for the young. Twenty years ago it was difficult to keep Burman girls in school after they knew how to read and write. Now they are eager to pass the higher standards, and their needlework would compare favorably with that of any girls of their age in America. A Burman Christian doctor, educated in America, said that when he first returned to this country he could not make a living practising medicine, so he took up teaching for a number of years. He has now a lucrative practice among the heathen as well as Christians. The progress of Christianity among these bigoted heathen is slow, it is true; so is the progress of a glacier on the mountain side. One can scarcely see it, but it moves with resistless power, grinding to atoms whatever obstructs its way. So, I believe, in God's own good time, Christianity will crush the hoary religions of the East, sweeping away the vile religions of the Hindus, the sensual religion of the followers of the False Prophet, and the cold, selfish, hopeless religion of the Buddhist. Selected from *The Independent*.

#### Work at Home.

#### ASSOCIATIONAL MEETINGS.

Woodstock. The annual meeting of the Women's Mission Circles of the Woodstock Association was held at Brownsville, June 5th. The meeting opened at two o'clock, and the chair was taken by Mrs. Shaw, of Tilsonburg. A Scripture reading was given by Mrs. Menhenick, of Ingersoll, and prayer offered by Mrs. Colver, of Scotland. Following this was a very earnest address of welcome by Mrs. Shaw.

The reports from the circles and Bands showed an increase in contributions and often in numbers. One young people's Circle called the Farther Lights was organized in the First Church, Woodstock, October, 1894. The number of Circles is now thirteen, and eleven were represented by delegates.

The Bands number twelve, and eight were represented by delegates. In the reports given we noticed that a very deep interest was taken in the work and the suggestions offered will, we trust, be of great assistance to those attending the Association. The Director's report showed an increase over last year of \$45.50. The amount sent Foreign Missions from Circles, \$415.93; to Home Missions, from Circles, \$341.25; to Foreign Missions from Bands, \$84.85; to Home Missions from Bands, \$11.25, making a total of \$853.28. Miss Belvidera Huggart was then appointed Director for the ensuing year.

A vocal selection was given by Miss Brown, of Brownsville, and we then listened to a pleasing and encouraging paper on Indian work by Mrs. Frain, of Tilsonburg. After singing a familiar hymn, Mrs. D. K. Clarke, of Woodstock, gave us an excellent paper on Home Mission work. At the close she urged the women of those churches in which there is no Circle to at once form one and share in the blessing