

promised certain great super-human gifts as credentials of His Commission. "In My Name they shall cast out devils," "they shall take up serpents," the viper seizing on the hand of St. Paul fell harmless. "If they drink any deadly thing it shall not hurt them." St. John is said to have drunk a cup of deadly poison and felt no hurt. "They shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." The shadow of St. Peter, and the clothes of St. Paul brought healing. And this co-operation of Christ was promised for all time, "Lo I am with you always even to the end of the world." The miraculous gifts of the Holy Ghost were withdrawn, but the death of the last Apostle was not the death of the new-born Church. Other men, on whom Apostolic hands had been laid, entered into their labours, and the Office was perpetuated in an unbroken lineage, so that those who minister in the Church to-day can feel that the Voice that sent them forth was an echo of that which spake on the hill-top in Galilee to the first of the ministerial line.

In the first age of Christianity His Presence with His ministers was manifested by miracles marvellous enough to arrest the attention of all an unbelieving age; and through all the chequered history of the Church, that Presence has been co-operating an unseen but undiminished power. In the Church of to-day it is borne witness to by the influence of Christianity on the evil spirits of cruelty and oppression, greed and ignorance. It shows itself by a thousand ways of relieving suffering, sorrow, want, sickness and ignorance. Ah, have we not had a grand object lesson within the last six months, when the natural horrors of war

have been tempered by a hundred measures of mercy!

The Pentecostal gift of tongues is with us still, for has not the Gospel of glad tidings been translated into almost every spoken language.

In days of sorrow, doubt and gloom, no less than in days of joyful victory the Master's promise holds good "Lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world." "Go ye therefore into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Let it not be said of you that you knew the "glad tidings" and hid it; or that hearing the Master's command you lingered on in pleasant paths at home. To all His true disciples, to each in their measure, the command is thundered forth, and the echo of it comes rolling down to us "Go."

LEAVES FROM OUR JOURNAL.

JANUARY:—In the last week of the old year we held high revel. A party for our Indian children and their friends was given after Christmas. A Christmas Tree, games, and refreshments in abundance, were provided as usual. A few days later a Parish Sunday School party gathered in the old school room. Mothers and fathers, babies in arms, and children of all ages stood round the time-honoured Christmas Tree, or joined in games and dances. Singularly bright and attractive among our guests moved Mrs. Creighton, leading in Sir Roger with her little daughter, organizing games, entering into every one's pleasure. How little we realized that a few days later the light would be quenched, and her sweet young life laid down.

Miss Crease's visit, unusual at