

A JUBILEE HYMN.

At the special service held for the House of Commons, was opened by the united choirs of Westminster Abbey and of St. Margaret's singing the National Anthem, in which the congregation joined with great heartiness. The following appropriate alternative verses were sung, the first being written by the Rev. S. Baring-Gould and the second by "C.N.S." :-

Lift we both heart and voice, With one accord rejoice, On this glad day, On our Queen's Jubilee, Bend we God the knee Singing right heartily, God save the Queen. God, hear our nation's prayer, Safe in Thy loving care, Guard Thou our Queen. Ruler of earth and sea, Through all eternity, In one blest Jubilee, Keep Thou our Queen.

The Cantic from the Accession Service was substituted for the Venite. The First Lesson (1 Kings iii. 5-14) was read by the Hon. and Rev. Francis Bying (chaplain to the Speaker), and the Second (Rom. xiii.) by Archdeacon Farrar. The Proper Psalms were the 20th, the 21st, and the 150th. After the Third Collect Handel's Coronation Anthem was given with fine effect; and just before the sermon the following hymn, written by the Bishop of Ripon, and set to music by Dr. Bridge, who has introduced into it the Prince Consort's well-known melody of Gotha, was sung :-

For the priceless gifts of knowledge which by genius now are ours, For the ever patient science which extended human powers, For the girdle which has girdled with quick sympathy the earth, For the intercourse of nations which checks the steps of death, For the deepening sense of brotherhood which makes all nations one, For the dawning love by which, O God, Thy Will may yet be done, We praise Thee, O God.

O God of knowledge, in Thy Light, May we the world behold, And see the law of brotherhood In love and not in gold.

For the heart that passeth knowledge, and exults o'er the defined, For the broadening life of culture which has lifted and refined, For the voices of the singers who have purified our thought, For the painters who from Nature new revelation caught, For the tellers of sweet stories who have melted while they taught, For the great desire which daily grows to live the life we ought, We praise Thee, O God.

Great God of gifts, be ever near, That when Fair Art we see, Through beauty so divinely sweet, Our souls may rise to Thee.

For the bond of love which strengthens in the fire of constant trouble, For the quick response to crying need that bringeth blessing double, For the sorrow that cemented, for the good Prince still lamented, For the tenderness excited, over hopes so early blighted, For the queenly heart which, broken, made sympathy her throne, For the greatness born of justice, not of policy alone, We praise Thee, O God.

O God of comfort, Whose abode Is not alone in Light, Unfold to us the higher law Of Charity and Right.

For the word which, heard in many tones, One Love is yet proclaiming, For the glorious devotion, which our indolence is shaming, For Thy Kingdom, wide extending, for the evil that is ending, For the good which we have seen, for the greater good unseen, For the wisdom all-inspiring to uplift our power of knowing, For the Love which stooped to raise us, who in Thy love are growing, We praise Thee, O God.

O God, make all earth's varied notes To blend in one sweet tone, And fashion of our broken lights The Rainbow round Thy Throne. Amen.

CHINESE CHILDREN.

Do you ever wonder what a Chinese day-school is like? Supposing we skip over to the west end of this village and take a peep at the boys' school.

As we go up the front steps, what is all this fearful racket? Do you feel a little delicate about going in, lest you should intrude on a quarrel of some sort? Oh but you needn't! The little boys in our school are not tearing each other's hair, nor scratching out each other's eyes, nor knocking each other down; not a bit of it! They are just doing what is expected of every good little scholar in China: that is, every mother's son of them is studying his lesson over out loud. By out loud, I mean in a perfect roar.

As they do this all day long, a good many of them quite ruin their voices. When you hear them trying to sing together, it reminds you of the frog class that sings every evening out on the village moat before hopping in for the night. You think little scholars

who have to work like that must be sorry when they hear the nine o'clock bell in the morning and glad when it creeps around to four in the afternoon? But there you've made another big mistake. Oh, lively American chicks, who wriggle and squirm in Sunday-school and day-school, and bate being caged up anywhere as badly as the wild birds do, what would you say if you had to go to school with the first streak of daylight and if school kept till after dark? If the Chinese scholars ease life somewhat by not studying hard all the time, who can blame them?

But if you think our little long-queued friends don't know much, we will set them to reciting, and I suspect you'll be amazed to hear even the we ones reel off chapter after chapter and book after book. One Pekin scholar recited the whole of the New Testament at a single examination. The Chinese have fine memories, and are always cultivating them and proud of them. But the scholars are brought up not to care a fig what it all means,

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