

Foreign Missions.

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A Century of Missions.

It is now a little more than a century since William Carey sailed for India. What has been accomplished since that time?

1. A hundred years ago the churches were asleep. Christian people were at ease in Zion. They thought that when the Lord saw fit to convert the heathen He would do it without any human help. Now they understand that to them was this grace given, that they should preach everywhere the unsearchable riches of Christ. This is an era of world-wide missions.

2. A hundred years ago the non-Christian part of the world was closed against the gospel. India, Japan, China and Turkey sought to exclude Christianity. The first missionaries were obliged to go to the South Sea Islands, to Greenland, to Labrador, to Madagascar, to the West Indies. Now, with the single exception of Thibet, the whole world is open to the truth. Nations that refused to hear it are calling for it. The conviction is spreading that Christianity is the one absolute and universal religion, and that its ultimate triumph is assured.

3. A hundred years ago governments were hostile and many Christian men were opposed to missions. It was feared that preaching the gospel in India would imperil the integrity of the British empire. Since that time the Government of India, which once persecuted missionaries, has eulogized them. Devout men felt that preaching the gospel to the heathen was casting pearls before swine. They looked upon the cause of missions as the very essence of folly. Missionaries were denounced as fanatics and fools, if not worse. Livingstone is buried in Westminster Abbey. Missionaries are entitled to the respect and to the confidence of all classes and conditions of men. It has been said that "no class of men upon the earth, whether considered as scholars, as philosophers, or as gentlemen, have earned for themselves a more distinguished reputation. Their contributions to history, to ethnology, to geography, and to religious literature form a lasting monument to their fame."

4. A hundred years ago educated men could not be induced to become missionaries. Till 1813 the missionaries, for the most part, were artisans. The managers were glad to accept any men of consecration and good sense who would go out. Now there are about 7000 European and American missionaries, of whom nearly half are women; there are besides these about 30,000 native helpers. Yet seventy-five years ago Henry Martyn thought the conversion of a Hindu a miracle as stupendous as the raising of the dead.

5. A hundred years ago there were not over 300 converts. Now the adherents number about 3,000,000. In addition to these, there are 50,000,000 who are more or less enlightened and controlled by the gospel. In India, the increase during the last decade is 100 per cent. In China, in eighteen years, the increase has been eighteen fold. Once it was said "There are no results." Now we are astonished at the marvelous results. The mission fields have their Pentecosts. Thousands are baptized in a day as at the beginning.

6. A hundred years ago very little money was contributed for missions. Now it is about \$12,000,000 a year. The contributions of the converts last

year was nearly a million dollars. The societies, with scarcely an exception, report a substantial increase of income. The American Board last year received \$840,000. This was more than \$100,000 more than the previous year.

Our Lord is calling to His people to go forward and possess the land. The outlook was never so bright and so full of promise. The work can be done if we will yield obedience to our marching orders. He has entrusted us with enormous resources that we may accomplish His grand design.

A St. Catharines Miracle.

AN OLD AND ESTEEMED CITIZEN RESTORED TO HEALTH AND STRENGTH.

MR. C. W. HELLEMS, SR., RELATES THE PARTICULARS OF HIS SUFFERINGS AND RELIEF TO A STANDARD REPORTER—ADVICE TO OTHER SUFFERERS.

St. Catharines Standard.

Casually, the other day, the Standard learned that Mr. C. W. Hellems, sr., one of the oldest and most respected citizens of St. Catharines, had been restored to health after years of suffering, in a manner bordering on the miraculous. The editor of this paper had known Mr. Hellems for years, and he was anxious to hear from him the story of his wonderful recovery. He had not seen Mr. Hellems for some months, but met with a very warm welcome when he told the errand upon which he had come. Mr. Hellems' home is on the corner of St. Paul's and Court streets, and he is well known to all our older residents as a citizen of the highest integrity, having lived in this city since 1833.

"I have had rheumatism," said Mr. Hellems, "more or less for the past twenty years, which often got so painful that I could not get about at all. I had been to all the doctors here and to some in Toronto and Buffalo, but I could get no relief worth speaking about. Five years ago I went to Welland and took a vapor bath, and felt so much relieved that I took two more. The relief, however, was only temporary, and four and a half years ago the lameness and pains came on again and so completely used me up that I could hardly do anything. I applied to a number of doctors for treatment, and two of them treated me, but with out relief. My age, they said, was against me; that if I were a younger man there might be some hope for me. I was eighty-four last October. I then discontinued the doctors' treatment and about a year ago got a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and used them without feeling any benefit, and quit. This spring I used another box without any effect, and again stopped. You see I expected too much and seemed to think that a box of Pink Pills ought to do what years of doctoring did not do. In July I read about the case of Mr. Connor, of Oakville, who had used, I think, eighteen boxes. When I read that he was so fully cured that he was able to work again, and even play baseball, I took courage and saw that I had not before given the pills a fair trial. I then got half a dozen boxes and was on the fifth box before I felt any beneficial effects. I had run down so low and my appetite had left me. I now began to feel my appetite returning and my knees and ankles began to gain strength. From that out I continued to improve, until the time of the county fair, when I went down there in company with others and went the rounds seeing the stock and other exhibits. I tried to keep up with them and walked so much that day that I felt some bad effects afterwards. But I now knew where to look for relief and continued using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and ever since have felt a steady improvement. My legs have gained strength wonderfully, and the doctors tell me that if I was a younger man I would be still more benefited. My general health has also improved very much. About six weeks ago I was in Toronto and walked fully five miles that day, something I could not have done before. In fact, I feel so much better that I have taken a two-year-old mustang colt to break it in." At this point Mrs. Hellems, the life partner of the venerable gentleman, who had come into the room while Mr. Hellems was relating his story, said that a friend,

when he heard that Mr. Hellems had taken a colt to break, said he was going to use Pink Pills too. Then the lady noting the Standard man writing at the table asked Mr. Hellems if all this was to be published.

"Yes," said Mr. Hellems, "if there are any other poor creatures who are suffering as I have done I would be glad to have them know the great good Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done me, and be benefited in the same way. I am glad to have my experience published for the benefit it may do to others, and I cannot too strongly recommend these great pills." In reply to an inquiry Mr. Hellems said he had taken three half dozen boxes since he began to take them regularly and was now using the fourth half dozen.

The Standard reporter called upon Mr. A. G. Greenwood, the east-end druggist, whose store is a few doors from the residence of Mr. Hellems, to inquire how the sale of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills stood in regard to other proprietary medicines, and incidentally to inquire what he thought of their effect in Mr. Hellem's case. "Pink Pills for Pale People have a great sale," said Mr. Greenwood, "and I am continually asked for them. With regard to Mr. Hellems' case, I knew that for years he had suffered from rheumatism and other diseases and that he was thoroughly run down. He now speaks very highly of Pink Pills, though at first he did not think they were doing him any good but that may be accounted for by the hold the disease had on his system. He now feels like a young man and is able to attend to the various animals—horses, etc. After he had taken about a dozen boxes he came into the store one day and started to dance around like a school boy. "What's the matter?" I exclaimed, perfectly astonished, and with happiness ringing in every tone of his voice, he called out: "O, I'm young again; I'm young again." He ascribed as the reason for this that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had performed the miracle. He had frequently told me that he had tried doctors without number, besides other patent medicines, but without any avail. My sales of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are constantly increasing, and all agree that these excellent little pills are beyond praise. There are many people in this district who have cause to be thankful they tried Pink Pills."

The reporter called upon Mr. W. W. Greenwood and Mr. Harry Southcott, the well-known druggists, and both spoke highly of Pink Pills, saying that they are the most popular remedy in the stores and that those using them are loud in their praises of the results.

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