

Muhammedan; the Sepoy mutiny followed. Education seems to have existed always in the country; still, at the present time, not one man in ten can read, and not one woman in a hundred and fifty. Though the embracing of Christianity leads to exclusion from caste, cuts off former friendships, and hinders marriage between a Christian, or his children, and a Hindu, there are over two millions of Christians, and more than one million Roman Catholics, in India. Over 90 per cent. of the Christians are natives.

Progress in British India reflects credit on our mother country. The recent works of irrigation have lessened the danger of drouth. The famine relief funds insure those in unirrigated districts. Railways and telegraphs cover the land. Nevertheless, India remains the home of the Hindu, ever luring to the foreigner who has an eye for architecture, and is interested in quaint manners and customs. Her future will be second to none. Consolidation increases with every year, and, as time recedes, the Hindu will drop his prejudices of caste, and emerge as great in empire-building as he has proved himself a man and soldier.

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### VAS INSIGNE DEVOTIONIS.

Who love thee prosper! As a breeze  
Thou waft'st them o'er the ways divine;  
Strange heights they reach with magic ease  
Through music-moulded discipline.

"If I but touch His vesture's hem,  
I shall be healed and strong and free"—  
Thou wert His vesture, Mary!—them  
His virtue heals that reach to thee.

AUBREY DE VERE.