

## World of Missions.

### The Call to Personal Service.

(Be ye doers of the word. James 1: 22)

If you are prepared to do anything for God that is in the least degree worthy of him, gird yourself and be ready to face almost overwhelming difficulty. If you mean only little things for God, you will have little trouble in doing them; and if you mean less things than that, you will have no trouble at all; but if God has put a great thought into your heart, it will mean a sacrifice and a battle. You never do a really large thing easily. The work you passionately desire always looms impossible.

Circumstances fetter you, but you must resolutely work in fetters. Physical weakness must not deter you. Robust people are always going to the seaside to keep up their health, whilst frail men and women, reeds shaken with the wind, keep the Church going. Do not excuse yourself because you have no leisure. Half the work of the world is done by men who have no time, and who therefore make it.

The lack of money is sure to embarrass you. "For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves." The widow with two mites felt herself poor, so did the millionaire in 1 Kings 6, building a golden palace. If you are one of God's loved children you have a soul bigger than your circumstances; thank him. Plenty of people have circumstances bigger than their soul.

What a magnificent giver God is! We see that in the boundless, infinite outpouring of the riches of nature. We see that in the never-ceasing shower of good and perfect gifts imparted by the government of God. And we see that supremely in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ. "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift." If we take our richest gift and grandest sacrifice to Calvary, they dwindle into nothing in sight of the cross. Then it is that we pour contempt on all our pride. God has given us mountains of gold, and when we give him back the most, it is but a few particles of the shining dust.

Sometimes you may have to grieve over the lack of sympathy and co-operation, but if it should prove so, still set your hand to the task and dare a splendid isolation. Do not allow the gathering infirmities of age to quench your zeal and effort. Put into the narrowing range of work higher qualities of faith and devotion. Do not even allow private sorrows to deny or discount your public service.

### To the Dead

A rich lady, cured of her Deafness and Noises in the head by Dr. Nicholson's Artificial Ear Drums, gave \$10,000 to his Institute, so that deaf people unable to procure the Ear Drums may have them free, Address No 9926, The Nicholson Institute, 790 Eight Avenue, New York.



### INDIAN SUPPLIES

SEALED TENDERS ADDRESSED TO THE undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Indian Supplies," will be received at this office up to noon on Monday, 2nd April, 1901, for the delivery of Indian Supplies during the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1901, at various points in Manitoba and the North-West Territories.

Forms of tender, containing full particulars, may be had by applying to the undersigned or to the Indian Commissioner, Winnipeg. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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J. D. McLEAN,  
Secretary.

Department of Indian Affairs,  
Ottawa, 1st March, 1901.

"So I spake unto the people in the morning; and at even my wife died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded."

When a young Greek soldier complained that his sword was short, a veteran instantly answered him, "Then add a step to it." And I say to you who find yourselves short of time, short of money, short of strength, short of opportunity, "Add a step;" in other words, make up for the deficiencies of material opportunity and instrument by an intenser resolution, enthusiasm and sacrifice. They who would do anything for this world must do it in spite of circumstances, they must do it by the skin of their teeth, they must pull it out of the fire.

"Well," you reply, "a man can do no more 'han he can do!'" Now, that sounds like a very deep philosophical saying that you must take slowly in, but in fact it means nothing. Men never know what they are, what they can give, what they can do, until their soul awakes, "Stir up the gift that is in thee."

"If you seek for hidden riches dig in your ribs — the splendid treasure, the magic gold is there. The solution of all difficulties is in the soul. Life is not a question of tangible means, deft tools, soliciting opportunity, it is a question of interior power and enthusiasm finding means in things that are not, and making things ridiculously inadequate to have wonderful magnitude and efficacy.

"Out of my trouble have I done this," might have been the confession of Tycho Brahe, who made his great discoveries without a telescope, showing that what an astronomer chiefly wants is not a big glass but a big eye. "Out of my trouble have I done this," might have been the confession of Christopher Columbus, who crossed the Atlantic in an old tub that we should hardly use to-day for a Newcastle collier.

"Out of my poverty have I done this," might have been the plaint of Turner, who painted some of his masterpiece with colors mixed in broken teacups. "Out of my trouble have I done this," says John Milton, old, poor and blind, as he enriches the world with "Paradise Lost." "Out of my low estate have I done this," says John Bunyan, when he gives you out of Bedford jail the Land of Beulah, the Palace Beautiful, the shining ones, the country that is green the year round, the city of gold and glass, which, when we see, we wish that we were there.

If, then, when at our best we are poor, let us not live below our best. If our best work is poor, let us not offer God less than our best. David, at least did his best; let us do ours. Let us not mock God by any paltriness of spirit. Let the language of our soul be, "More shouldst thou have if I have more." Let us prove the reality of our gratitude, faith, and consecration by doing to the last point of possibility whatever in us lies.

Do not wait until you have "spare time," "spare cash" or "spare" anything else; do your best with things as they are, and faith, which is the genius of the heart, will surprise you and the world.

### "Missions Means Me"

is the suggestive name of a monthly bulletin published by the city missionary committee of the Cincinnati Young People's Union. The following acrostic is clipped from it:

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### Number of Missionaries in China.

The Chinese Recorder states that the Presbyterian Mission Press of Shanghai has just issued a revised list of Protestant missionaries in China. The total is 2,818, of whom 596 are ordained ministers and 858 are unmarried women.

### The Singers' Song.

"A singer sang a song of tears,  
And the great world heard and wept;  
For he sang of the sorrows of fleeting years,  
And the hopes which the dead past kept,  
And souls in anguish their burdens bore,  
And the world was sadder than ever before."

"A singer sang a song of cheer,  
And the great world listened and smiled;  
For he sang of the love of a Father dear,  
And the trust of a little child;  
And souls that before had forgotten to pray,  
Looked up and went singing along the way."

## ST. VITUS CURED.

### THE STORY OF A BRIGHT YOUNG GIRL'S RECOVERY.

She Was First Attacked with La Grippe, the After Effects Resulting in St. Vitus' Dance — Friends Despaired of Her Recovery.

From the Acadian, Wolfville, N. S.

The mails from Wolfville to Gaspereau are carried every day by an official who is noted for his willingness to accommodate and the punctuality with which he discharges his duties. His name is Mr. Merriner Cleveland and his home is in Gaspereau, where he resides with his wife and grand-daughter, Miss Lizzie May Cleveland, a bright girl of fifteen years. A few months ago the health of their grand-daughter was a source of very great anxiety to Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland and the neighbors who learned of the physical condition of the little girl gravely shook their heads and said to themselves that the fears of the fond grand parents were by no means groundless. When the news reached the ears of an Acadian man, a short time ago, that the health of Miss Cleveland had been restored, he hastened to interview Mr. Cleveland as to the facts of the case. When he explained his errand both Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland appeared only too eager to give him the information sought and it is in accordance with these wishes that we give to the public the fact of this remarkable cure. Early in December, 1898, Miss Cleveland was taken ill with a severe attack of la grippe and fears of her recovery were entertained. Careful nursing, however, brought her through this malady but it left her system in a completely run-down condition. This showed itself principally in a weakness of the nerves. In January symptoms of St. Vitus' dance began to show themselves. At first these were not very prominent, but it was not long before she was rendered altogether helpless by this terrible malady. In a short time she lost all control over the movements of her hands and feet. For weeks she had to be carried from room to room and was unable to feed herself. Her grand-parents naturally became very much alarmed and having tried other remedies without effect determined to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial. Developments showed that their confidence was not misplaced. When three boxes had been used the condition of the patient had improved considerably. Then Mr. Cleveland bought six boxes more and continued their use as before. The sufferer rapidly began to recover. When she had consumed the fifth box Mrs. Cleveland reduced the dose to one pill a day and by the time the sixth box was gone a complete cure was effected. Miss Cleveland is now as vigorous and healthy as could be desired. Her grand-parents are persuaded that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are alone responsible for her cure and are devoutly thankful for the results which, under Providence, they have produced.

Sold by all dealers or sent post paid at 50c. a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont. Do not be persuaded to try something else "just as good."