

SKETCHES FOR GIRLS.
THE BELOVED PRINCESS OF SIAM.

The sister of the present King of Siam was the darling of the palace, and Mrs. Leonowens was the English Governess at the Siamese court. She was a resident at or near the court.

Fá-ying was the name of the sweet little princess of whom we now write. One bright afternoon, when Mrs. Leonowens was sitting at the schoolroom table, she heard the irresistible young voice of the princess saying to her, "Will you teach me to draw? It is so much more pleasant to sit by you than to go to my Sanskrit class. My Sanskrit teacher is not like my English teacher, she bends my hands back when I make mistakes. I don't like Sanskrit; I like English. There are so many pretty pictures in your books. Will you take me to England with you, Mam cha, Lady dear?" pleaded the engaging little prattler.

"I am afraid his Majesty will not let you go with me," replied the teacher.

"Oh, yes, he will! He lets me do as I like. You know I am the Somdetch Chow Fá-ying, he loves me best of all, he will let me go."

"I am glad to hear it," said the teacher; "and very glad that you love English and drawing. Let us go up and ask his Majesty if you may learn drawing instead of Sanskrit."

With sparkling eyes and a happy smile, she sprang from the teacher's lap, and seizing her hand eagerly, said,—"Oh, yes, let us go now."

They went, and their prayer was granted. Mrs. Leonowens says,—"Never did work seem more like pleasure than it did to me as I sat with this sweet bright little princess day after day at the hour when all her brothers and sisters were at Sanskrit, drawing herself, as the humour seized her, or watching me draw; but oftener listening, her large questioning eyes fixed upon my face, as step by step I led her out of the shadow-land of myth, into the realm of the truth as it is in Jesus."

Such was the pet Fá-ying. Her mother, the late queen-consort, in dying left three sons and this one daughter, whom with peculiar tenderness and anxiety she commended to the loving kindness of the king; and now the child was the fondled darling of the lonely, bitter man, having quickly won her way to his heart by the charms of her fearless innocence and trustfulness, her sprightly intelligence and changeable grace.

From the time she was four months old, the king carried her to and fro, and placed her by his side, in every one of the royal seats, wherever he went. Whatever could be done in the way of nursing his Majesty did himself, feeding her with a spoon, with milk poured into a tea cup; so this royal daughter was as familiar with her father in her infancy as with her nurses.

Wherever his Majesty went, this princess always accompanied him upon the same sedan, carriage, royal boat, or yacht; and on her being grown up, she became more prudent than other children of the same age. She paid every affectionate attention to her affectionate father. She was well educated in the vernacular Siamese literature, which she commenced to study when only three years of age.

But one fair morning dawned on the river, the sunshine flickering on the silver ripples, and gilding the boats of the market people as they softly glided up or down to the lazy swing of the oars. The floating shops were all awake, displaying their various and fantastic wares to attract the passing citizen or stranger. Priests in yellow robes moved noiselessly from door to door, receiving, without asking and without thanks, the alms wherewith their pious clients hoped to lay up treasure in heaven, or, in Buddhist parlance, to "make merit."

Slaves hurried hither and thither in the various bustle of errands. Work-shippers thronged the gates and vestibules of the many temples of this city of pagodas, and myriads of fan-shaped bells scattered Eolian melodies on the passing breeze.

As we gazed from our piazza on this strangely picturesque panorama, there swept across the river a royal barge filled with slaves, who the moment they had landed, hurried up to me.

"My lady," they cried, "there is cholera in the palace! Three slaves are lying dead in the princesses' court, and her highness, the young Sam Letch Chow Fá-ying, was seized this morning. She sends for you. Oh, come to her quickly!" and with that they put into my hand a scrap of paper; it was an invitation from his Majesty begging as a favour that I would come at once.

In a moment I was in my boat. I entered, I flattered, I scolded the rowers. How slow they were! How strong the opposing current! And when we did reach those heavy gates, how slowly they moved, with what suspicious caution they admitted me! I was fierce with impatience. And when at last I stood panting at the door of my Fá-ying's chamber, it was too late! Even Dr. Campbell (the surgeon of the British Consulate) had come too late!

As I stooped to imprint a parting kiss on the little face that had been so dear to me, her kindred and slaves exchanged their appealing "P'hra-Arahang" for a sudden burst of heart-rending cries.

There was no need to prolong that anxious wail in the ears of the deaf child: "P'hra-Arahang! P'hra-Arahang!" These words are one of the most sacred titles of Buddha, repeated by the nearest relative in the ears of the dying, till life is extinct. She would not forget her way, she would never more lose herself on the road to heaven. Beyond, above the P'hra-Arahang, she had soared into the eternal, tender arms of the P'hra-Jesus, of whom she was wont to say in her infantine wonder and eagerness, "Mam dear, I love your holy Jesus."

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