

This they did, and now a flourishing little church is established and many believing souls are gathered at the spot.

Are not all these wonderful things?—Who of you can read them and not feel God is thus opening our way to this interesting people? More, much more might have been told you about them, but my space will not allow me to do it. I must therefore tell you where you can read a great deal more of the Karens, and what God is doing for them than I have time to tell you. It is in a very interesting little book, published by the Religious Tract Society, for one shilling, and called "The Karen Apostle." I have got many of the particulars I have told you from it, and am sure you will read it with great delight.

I have still a little more to say of the Karens, but leave it for another time.

The May Meetings in London, England.

Once every year, young reader, there is a great gathering together of religious people in London. They come there to hold the anniversary meetings of the religious institutions of our land, and have sermons preached, and collections made to promote their interests and keep up their funds.—These gatherings begin near the end of April, go all through May, and run sometimes a little into June. But as they are generally held in May, and very few in either April or June, and used to be entirely so, they are known in the country by the name of "The May Meetings."

Men of all religious parties, and from all quarters of the world then meet together. The largest places for public assemblies in London are often too small for the crowds that would press in. A fine spirit of love and joy generally reigns amongst the people; and those who go up from the country to join the services, often come back full of gratitude for what they have heard and seen, and greatly stirred up to help on more zealously the holy cause of God.

Amongst the great Societies that then held their meetings, I may name "The British and Foreign Bible Society;" "The Religious Tract Society;" "The Sunday School Union;" "The London, The Baptist, the Wesleyan, the Church of England, the Free and Established Church of Scotland, the Moravian and other Missionary Societies," besides various Societies for converting the Jews, educating the people, helping the poor and sick, and having other good and useful ends in view.

The principal place where these great meetings are held, is Exeter Hall, a very large and handsome building, with a fine platform at one end, a large gallery at the other, and seats and places enough to accommodate about 4000 people. It is a noble sight to see this great hall crowded in every corner, all the passages full, and the platform crammed with ministers and other gentlemen interested in the work of God. So great are the crowds at these services, that people wishful to attend them, are often there by breakfast time, and formerly by six or seven o'clock in the morning, in order to secure their seats, though the chair would not be taken till perhaps twelve o'clock.

At these meetings there are often missionaries from foreign climes, and sometimes native converts, and very often good and great men about whom we may have read and heard, from France, or Switzerland, or Germany, or America.—All this helps to give interest to the service, and often makes a great pressing together of the people.

This year the meetings have been held as usual, and perhaps there never were more interesting and pleasant meetings ever held in London. Some of them have been, indeed, unusually delightful, and the report of them is such as to make all at a distance only wish that they too had been there.

When you grow up to be men and women, I hope you will be able to attend the meetings that will then be held. Of course, I and many of your friends and teachers will then be dead, but I hope and believe, the meetings will be even better and larger than they are at present, and that even better, wiser, and cleverer men will be found from amongst some of you, to fill the pulpits, and appear upon the platforms.

Indeed, by that time it is to be expected that much progress will have been made in the conversion of the world, and that things we hardly can look for now, will by that time come round. You know that will be in about another twenty or thirty years, and oh! who can tell what God may do in thirty years?

Another thirty years, and all China may be visited by Christian light, though now we are only entering within its walls.

Another thirty years, and all India may have embraced outwardly the gospel, though now we only see its youth in our schools, and old Hindooism beginning to lose its power on their minds. Another