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## MISSIONARY NEWS.

The Pulayas, of Travancore, India, have for centuries been slaves to the Hindus, working as field laborers. So low were they considered that they could not stand within seventy feet of a caste man. But education and civilization began to do its work, and in 1910 they demanded and were granted the permission to be represented in the Popular Assembly, but by a Hindu. Now, after two years, the advance step has been taken, and they are to have one of their own speak for them. It is through such instances as this that we are encouraged to believe India is being permeated with the ideals of liberty and justice which have their fullest exemplification in Christianity, and we hope that as these people's minds are awakened they will cry out for the "Desire of all nations."

We all know that Chinese students are flocking to the West for education. The number at present studying in the United States is said to be over 800, including 60 girls. There must be a large and ever-increasing number in the universities and colleges of our own country. Surely there ought to be a great work done among them while they are here receiving so many new impressions, that they may be sent back to their future work of leadership equipped with the "whole armor of God." The Chinese Students' Christian Association is doing much in the States. What are Canadians doing to fulfil their obligations?

Under the new form of government in China opium is not to find a friend. Dr. Sun Yat Sen, while holding the reins of power, declared bitter war on the dealers in the drug, and the Minister of War ordered soldiers smoking it to be shot. Dr. Sun Yat Sen, now interested among many other things in the indus-

trial development of Southern China, has called as his assistant a young student from Columbia University, Hin Yong, a young man who is also a graduate of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri.

A startling statement is this found in "Woman's Work," and one which opens out many avenues of thought and need—"Of every six infants in the world, one is born in India; of every six orphan girls, one is wandering in India; of every six widows, one is mourning in India."

The Southern Baptist Convention has been holding its annual meeting in Oklahoma City. It was a notable meeting in many respects, but it is said that high-water mark was reached when the committee on the Judson Centennial reported. They recommended that an equipment fund of one and a quarter million dollars be raised. An enormous increase this would be, and calling for stupendous effort, and yet the Convention voted for it to a man, and the session ended with a wave of enthusiasm sweeping over the whole assemblage.

The Rangoon Baptist College, Burma, is always of interest to Canadian Baptists, because of the close connection with it of Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong and their family. We have never forgotten that Mrs. Armstrong was the pioneer in the forming of Women's Circles down in the Maritime Provinces. For their sakes, then, we are glad to hear of the distinguished service Rangoon College is giving. It is stated that nowhere else in British India, and in but few institutions the world over, are so many races and languages represented. There are three departments which come under the name of the College,—the college, the high school and the normal school,—and there are enrolled 1,176 students.