

World of Missions.

The Outlook in China.

THE FUTURE OF MISSIONS IN CHINA.

Dr. Griffith John is one of the oldest and most experienced missionaries in China, and while not a prophet, his opinion as to the future of missions in that greatest world centre of heathenism is of value. In the Chronicle of the L. M. S. he writes:—

"Twelve out of eighteen provinces have been swept clean of missionaries; but here at Hankow, and in all the surrounding countries where we are at work, there has been no suspension. Christians have been meeting for worship as usual; hospital work has gone on; and our day-schools have never been closed. Till a fortnight ago the daily preaching was carried on regularly, but when the officials suggested that it would be advisable to suspend this branch of the work for the present, we thought it only right to meet their wishes.

"I do not take a desponding view of the future—quite the reverse. There are glorious days before us. I am amazed to hear that people are talking about giving up the work in China. They must be mad. Our prospects to-day are vastly brighter than they were six years ago. At that time I was beginning to despond, I do not despond now. My heart is full of eager expectation. The only question that troubles me is this: Will the Church of God be prepared for the magnificent opportunities which the new order of things is about to present to it? China will be ready for you; will you be ready for China? May God prepare all the societies for the China that He, in His own mysterious way, is preparing for them."

Foreign Mission Notes.

FROM REV. DR. MACKAY.

Letters were received some time ago reporting that Dr. McKay, of Formosa, had been in enforced silence on account of failure of voice. He continued his work, giving instructions on paper, and having another read his lectures in the college. Eventually however, it was thought advisable to go to Hong Kong for treatment, and we are glad to be able to report that his throat is improving, and that there is the prospect of complete recovery. Canadians know well how unsparingly Dr. McKay uses his voice, and will scarcely be surprised that there should be serious consequences. He is not in the prime of life however, notwithstanding his long and faithful service, and it is hoped that he has yet many years of useful work before him.

The new missionaries sent to India brought great gladness to the staff who were much enfeebled by sickness and much overloaded with work on account of the large number gathered during the famine. Mr. McKenzie is in charge of Mhow, and his ministry in the chaplaincy is much appreciated, as Canadians who heard him preach, will understand. Mr. Grant has gone to Rutlam to attend to the children there, and Mr. Harcourt to Neemuch to take up the work that Mr. Wilson laid down. Mr. Wilson and Mr. N. H. Russell appeared before the Executive and urged the needs of that field. They insisted that the staff should be greatly increased in order to train the children as well as man the stations already occupied, and if possible open other centres within the region occupied by our mission.

Home and Health Hints.

Salt on the fingers when cleaning fowls, meat or fish will prevent slipping.

Table linen should be ironed when quite damp and ironed with a hot and very heavy iron.

Irons should not be allowed to become red hot, as they will never retain the heat properly afterwards.

Mush Bread.—Three-fourth cupfuls of cornmeal, 1 pint of milk, 4 eggs. Scald the meal in the milk and let boil. Take from the fire and add the well beaten yolks. Fold in the well-beaten whites and bake in a deep dish from 20 to 30 minutes. To be eaten hot with butter.

Scalloped Oysters.—A novel way of preparing this dish is to drain the oysters and dip them first in beaten egg and then in bread or cracker crumbs, exactly as for frying. Arrange in a baking dish, seasoning each layer, and sprinkling it with chopped celery or parsley. Scatter bits of butter over the top, pour a cup of thin cream over the whole, and bake for twenty-five minutes, covering the first fifteen.

Broiled Finnan Haddie.—Split down the back, and dip in boiling water two or three times, then dry thoroughly on a cloth. Broil over a clear fire, flesh side down at first, turning occasionally to keep from burning; The skin side only wants to brown, but it must cook on the flesh side. When done, pour over one tablespoonful of melted butter, mixed with one teaspoonful of lemon juice. Season and serve.

One of the prettiest women in London society is said to plunge a towel in very hot water, wring it out, and leave it on her face for half an hour before going to bed, instead of washing, and this lady has no wrinkles. Cold water is popularly supposed to be unfavorable to dark complexions, and not to fair ones; and a celebrated toilet authority declares washing and drying the face from the lower part to the top will delay the appearance of wrinkles.

Apple Fritters.—Apple fritters are a delicate entree, and are a suitable accompaniment for any kind of roast, or they may serve as a dessert with a sweet sauce. Make a batter as follows: Put into a small bowl one half cupful of flour and add to it the well beaten yolk of one egg and one-quarter cupful of cold water. Beat this thoroughly. Then stir in one half tablespoonful of melted butter or, better yet, olive oil and one-quarter teaspoonful of salt. Then fold in carefully the stiffly beaten white of the egg. Stand on the ice for two or three hours. Just before time to serve the fritters peel three large sour apples and remove the cores with a corer. Cut them in round slices three-eighths of an inch thick, dip them one by one with a fork into the batter and drop into deep, very hot fat. When one side is a golden brown turn and remove as soon as the other side is the same color. Place on soft brown paper to drain and dredge with powdered sugar. If too many are put into the fat at one time it will cool the fat, and the consequence will be that the slower cooking will cause them to "soak fat." In turning them over be careful not to puncture them with the fork, as that will have a tendency to make them heavy.

Presbyterian Banner:—If one has put on the Lord Jesus Christ, he should wear his robe of righteousness always, and never be ashamed of it or put on any other dress. Christians should everywhere be known by the uniform they wear.

A GIRL'S PERIL.

A BRIEF STORY OF INTEREST TO ALL YOUNG WOMEN.

PALLOR, HEADACHES, DIZZINESS AND A FEELING OF CONSTANT LANGOUR OVERCOME—HOPE FOR SIMILAR SUFFERERS.

There are thousands of young girls throughout Canada who owe their good health, if not life itself, to the timely use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Among these is Miss Maud Patterson, whose home is in the vicinity of Strathroy, Ont. To a reporter who interviewed her, Miss Patterson said: "Several years ago I began to suffer from headaches, was easily tired out, and could see that my health was not what it had been. At first I did not think there was anything serious the matter, and thought the trouble would pass away. In this, however, I was mistaken, for as time went on I became weaker. The headaches attacked me more frequently, my appetite failed. If I stooped I would grow so dizzy that I would almost fall over. I became very pale, and always felt tired and worn out. I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I have reason to rejoice that I followed the advice, and as I continued their use, it seemed as though day by day they were imparting new life to me. My appetite improved, the headaches disappeared, the pallor left my face, the dizziness that bothered me so much also disappeared, and I felt altogether like a different person. I feel that I owe my renewed health entirely to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and as I know that there are many girls who suffer as I did I would urge them to lose no time in giving this medicine a fair trial."

The case of Miss Patterson certainly carries with it a lesson to others who may be pale, languid, easily tired, or subject to headaches, or the other distressing symptoms that mark the onward progress of anaemia. In cases of this kind Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will give more certain and speedy results than any other medicine. They act promptly and directly, making new, rich red blood, and strengthen the nerves, and correct all the irregularities incident to this critical period.

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A ship was wrecked on the northwestern coast of Ireland; and a mother tried in vain to persuade her son, who had volunteered to go to the rescue of the last man on board the burning ship, to give up the perilous task. She pleaded that his father and brother had never come back from the sea, and that she would be left alone if he were lost. He resisted her entreaties and put out to the sinking vessel. When the boat came back through the surf, the crowds on the shore shouted, "Have you got your man?" The reply came, "Yes, and tell mother it's brother William!" Are we sure that the imperiled souls around us are not our brothers?—Selected.

The brother of Andree, the missing aeronaut, despairing of his brother's return from the Arctic regions, has finally opened his will. The tenor of it shows that the explorer hardly expected to return.