

### The Ten Commandments.

1. Thou shalt have no gods but me;
2. Before no idol bow the knee.
3. Take not the name of God in vain,
4. Nor dare the Sabbath-day profane;
5. Give both thy parents honour due;
6. Take heed that thou no murder do.
7. Abstain from words and deeds unclean.
8. Nor steal, tho' thou art poor and mean.
9. Nor make a wilful lie, nor love it.
10. What is thy neighbour's, dare not covet.

How many children say,  
 "I'd like to go to heaven;"  
 But never think that they  
 Must have their sins forgiven;  
 Before they can in glory be,  
 Or Jesus in his beauty see.

#### PRAYER.

Jesus! take this heart of mine,  
 Make it pure and wholly thine;  
 Thou hast bled and died for me,  
 I will henceforth live for thee.

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### Canadian Missionaries in Japan.

ELOQUENT TRIBUTE BY A MEMBER OF THE ENGLISH BAPTIST MISSION.

WE have received from an English Baptist missionary at Tokyo, Japan, the following testimony to the service rendered by Dr. D. Macdonald, Canadian Methodist missionary, labouring in that field:—

(To the Editor of *The Globe*.)

Sir,—The Canadian Methodists have laid Japan under a lasting obligation, through the agency of the splendid staff of missionaries by whom they are represented here. They are strong in their evangelistic work, no less than in the educational department, and have cause for fervent gratitude because of success already achieved. But it is not only Japan and the Japanese who are indebted to the self-sacrifice and

generosity of Canadian Methodism; for the entire missionary band acknowledges the same debt. For the past seven years and more Dr. Macdonald has been labouring in Tokyo in the name of his honoured mission, and has made himself the best known and most popular of all the missionaries and foreign residents here. He is respected and trusted alike in the legations and in the homes of the poor, is necessary alike to Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist and Episcopalian missions, bearing friendly comfort, physician's healing and brotherly counsel wherever he goes. His work has been most varied and he has seemed ubiquitous, though always bent on errands of helpfulness and utility. Wherever good was to be done and sound sense was needed, Dr. Macdonald has been looked to as a leader, and whenever pain and disease have stricken the family of a brother missionary, Dr. Macdonald has been in prompt and generous attendance. Now that he has gone for a twelve months' holiday, our sense of security is shaken, for he had the confidence of all. It was but a short while ago that a presentation was made to him by the many whom he has obliged, at no small personal sacrifice. During the cholera epidemic of last summer he alone of the few foreign doctors in Tokyo remained at his post and so had the care of the foreign community. It is an open secret that he was constantly experiencing symptoms of the disease himself, yet he was always devoted to those who sought his aid. Night and day he was running from one distant part of the city to another, summoned sometimes from much-needed rest by the baseless fears of those under the influence of the panic. The Japanese, of course, were removed to the cholera hospital whenever they were affected by that disease; but this regulation did not affect foreign residents or the Psukiji concession; and some of the sufferers here succumbed, while many were brought through the attack only with the greatest difficulty.

No one expects the cholera to return this year, but all foreigners here commend Dr. Macdonald to the hearty welcome of his friends at home, pray for his preservation during his tour, for his recovery to health, and for his speedy return hither; for we all alike recognize in him a member of God's Legion of Honour.

*One Half-Million Temperance Tracts* in the German and Scandinavian languages have just been published by the National Foreign Department of W. C. T. U. They have also Tracts in the Polish, Holland, Italian, Bohemian and Spanish languages, and it is hoped that every church and Temperance Society will send for some at once for distribution. A sample package will be sent for 10 cents, and 1000 pages for one dollar. Address all orders to National Department of Foreign Work, Lock Box 837, Minneapolis, Minn.



GLIMPSE OF CHIUSENJI LAKE, JAPAN.

### The White Cross.

AN association was formed a few years ago in England, children, called the "White Cross Society." It has now a number of branches in this country. Its object is to promote social purity. It aims, that is, to lead all who belong to it, and all others whom it can reach—boys and girls, men and women—to entire purity in thought, in speech, and in action.

This is a very important matter, and I want you all to read what I here say about it. Of course I am talking here only to the children. Older persons will find discussions of the subject elsewhere.

There are a great many temptations to impurity which children are constantly meeting. Girls, fortunately, are not so much exposed to these temptations as are boys. But it is hard, even for the most watchful parents, always to shield even them. There are bad children in school, whose language is too often foul and whose actions are too often disgraceful. There are bad books and low story-papers smuggled into school or displayed on the playground. Sometimes the reading of these wretched things is urged upon one child by another.

Now there are two or three things which you can always do, children, so as to keep yourselves from being injured by these evil companions or evil things. If your schoolmates use bad language, if their speech is at all impure, you must have just as little to do with them as possible. Be courteous to them, of course, when you meet them in connection with school duties. But you do not need to associate with them in hours of recreation. It is your only way of safety. You must leave it to older persons to try to influence them for good. Your association with them will not benefit them and it will hurt you.

Then if bad books or papers come into your hands from any source, don't read them. It will not take more than

a glance for you to see whether a book or paper is bad. If you even think from the source from whence it comes, that it may be bad, then do not examine it yourself. Ask your father or mother or teacher to tell you whether it is fit for you to read. I know the power of curiosity. I know how strong is the temptation to see things for yourself. But, dear child, do not yield to it. You would call that foolish curiosity which led a baby to feel the end of a red-hot poker. But these bad books and papers burn into the imagination, and it is almost impossible to remove the scars. You will be safe if you refer every questionable thing of this sort to some older person in whom you have confidence.

And then, once more, you need to pray to God to keep you from being brought under the power of this temptation. Ask God, dear child, to keep you pure. You remember that beautiful one of the Beatitudes, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." If your heart is pure, if evil thoughts are kept out of it, you will be able even now to understand better what God's pure and holy character is, and so you will really see God.

Is it not worth a great deal to keep thoughts, speech, and actions pure?

Remember that it takes very little to defile. You put a single, tiny drop of ink into a glass of pure, clean water, and all the water is discoloured. A single evil thought, if it is harboured, defiles the soul. You need to be on your guard constantly. You need to set a watch on your thoughts, on the words you speak, on the things you do, that all may be pure. God, your loving Heavenly Father, will give you all the aid you need for this if you ask him. But remember to ask him to keep your heart pure.—*Selected*.

SOCIETY has no moral right to regulate nor protect an evil, but to remove it.