

THE ACADIAN

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Indian Letter.

BY LEE. My promised time has come. Henceforth I must range myself beside those who have had tangible evidence that personal property, and the individual's feelings in India, are not always secure from the hand of the spoiler. A really fine-looking young Brahmin came to my study the other morning and manifested a most eager desire to learn at once the whole system of Christianity. I was at a loss to instruct him; but one learns caution instinctively in India, and I began to apply tests in order to discover if possible his true character. An opportunity was immediately given the young heathen to break caste by offering him a glass of water. He drank it without turning a hair. Afterwards by careful questioning a good deal of information was extracted from him concerning his own history which has proved very valuable since. He spent two hours in my study receiving instruction from the preachers and myself at a rapid rate; but when the noon hour came, after eating my bread and Reubin's rice and mutton-curry, and borrowing Pan's jacket, he grasped (graphic Telugu idiom) my "Telugu-English Dictionary," worth \$10.00, and quietly faded from the compound. Half an hour he was missed, and having got the machinery of the police-court in operation we hope to have an opportunity of instructing this way seeker after knowledge in some other element of civilization, that may prove less tasteful to him than Reubin's mutton curry. The book has since been recovered at the expense of the District Munsiff, who is reported to have bought it, but our young friend has disappeared. This class of men is becoming very prominent in these parts and constitutes one of the nuisances in missionary life.

THE GODDESS TAKES A HOLIDAY BY PROXY. Every city, town, village, or hamlet in India has its own municipal goddess. Ten thousand other gods and goddesses may be worshipped by the inhabitants, either in castes as individuals, or in families, but those are worshipped with a view to contingencies after death, this goddess is supposed to care for them in this life, and cares for the whole town alike—if she is worshipped by all alike. Her shrine must be on the town limits, and usually on the side of the largest thoroughfare leading into the place. As her duty is to keep measles, small-pox, cholera, the evil eye and the Devil in general from entering the town or village, the shrine is nearly always placed on that side of the community from which the prevailing wind comes, on which the Hindus, not unsentimentally, think these evils are warded. The Vizianagram goddess is named Paidutuli, and her natal day is July 7th. Each year, generally at the beginning of the hot, and unhealthy, season the goddess is moved by proxy, she herself must never leave the shrine—into the town for a short holiday, and extensive preparations are made for an elaborate programme of *poosh* making. Several earthen pots surrounded on the outside with saffron and decorated with red points are placed before the goddess, who is supposed to allow her spirit to enter them, then with great pomp they are conveyed to a convenient place in the town, especially consecrated for the occasion. Vessels filled with oil in which wicks are kept constantly burning are placed over the mouths of these pots, and here the people bring their offerings of fowls and fruits, and every day during their stay, low oblations before the place; women rush out of their houses to fall down and worship, and every wayfarer must make oblation; not unlike something to be seen in the streets of Quebec and Montreal on certain occasions. These ceremonies are kept up for the best part of three months until at last the great day arrives. The pots are mounted on the heads of the hereditary carriers, a multitude of priests surround them, the lead man of the town goes before as grand marshal, all the faithful with all their friends and relatives from towns and villages in the surrounding country fall into procession, musical (?) instruments in the hands of performers are scattered through the host, and with a mighty *coo!* the poor bedaubed mud-pots are triumphantly escorted back to the presence of the goddess. She is supposed to receive back her spirit, which had been lent for the occasion, forthwith fresh combats with the infernal agencies that might seek to harm her obedient, credulous worshippers. The closing scene consists of many sacrifices in front of the shrine. Five buffaloes, 20 sheep, and an innumerable number of roosters and helpless chickens were slaughtered on July 7th before the shrine of Paidutuli.

A YOUNG BRAHMIN STUDENT'S CREED. While out with the preachers the other evening a couple of students from the College pushed through the crowd of carpenters who happened to be listening at the time and began to assail Christianity with great vigor and bitterness, and for half an hour there was an interesting discussion. At the end of that time the crowd showed plainly that it thought the young bloods had got the worst of the argument, and they turned to go away. Just as they were leaving one of them shouted in good Anglo-Saxon at the top of his lung-power: "There is no sin, there is no holiness, there is no heaven, there is no hell, there is no God, and we ought to be free to do as we like!" I had the sad satisfaction of knowing that this surprisingly iconoclastic creed had been imported into India, within a quarter of a century, from Christian countries.

Vizianagram, August 4th.

Thoughts at Evening on the Water.

DEAR EDITOR.—As you looked on my last with so much favor, I feel encouraged to write you another short article. This will describe no particular trip, but will be the thoughts which came to me on one of our trips. We left St. John early, the sun was fully two hours high, and as we entered the Bay of Fundy everything seemed fair to behold. Hardly a ripple disturbed the sea, and not a wave could be seen except those that the steamer made while ploughing through the water on her homeward course. As I watched the broad expanse of the Bay,—so calm and peaceful,—sparkling like many precious stones in the evening sun, I thought how wonderful are the works of God. That same deep, then so calm and peaceful, might 'er another day have passed roaring at its highest pitch in its struggle against the raging tempest. It caused me to think of man in his struggle against self and the world. The sea remains calm—and still—until the winds come up and lash it hither, and thither, in a foaming mass with their restless fury. And so it is with man, he is calm for a season, but the tempest comes on him afresh with greater fury, and the battle is soon over with him the loser, and he is carried away on the restless, useless, path of sin. The sun went down beneath the western hills, (which we could easily see) and the sweet twilight of summer took its place. One by one the little stars appeared, while the land grew dimmer to the eye as night came on apace; but the moon spread forth her light of silvery gray, and all was beautiful. Some ladies aboard began singing songs of home, and my heart grew glad for we were homeward bound. But my thoughts would not stay with me for as I heard those songs of home I thought of thousands who were at that moment suffering from the effects of poverty and sin. The cabin boy told me a story one night which I will give to you. One thing peculiar about the boy is that he is a great reader of newspapers, and will find more joy in one of them than many would in a game of euchre. One evening we got to St. John rather earlier than usual, and he skipped ashore as quickly as possible to get the evening paper. He met a small boy, ragged and forlorn, who had the article he wanted. The smallest change he had was a five cent piece so he handed it to the paper boy. The lad got two cents out and started to search his other pocket for the remaining copper, when the cabin boy told him to keep it and buy a stick of Juggins Coal—all of which will be sold from vessel at lowest rates, or shipped by train per order, and satisfaction guaranteed. W. J. HIGGINS. Wolfville, Sept. 24th, 1891. 5-1f

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Kentville News.

Mr and Mrs L. E. Jost, of Windsor, were in Kentville on Monday. Mr Jost formerly did business at Canning. Mr L. C. Swain and sister were suddenly called to their home at Yarmouth by the news of their mother's serious illness. The inspector for the London and Lancashire Life, Mr Charles Masters of St John, was in town this week. Capt A. Masters, of the Equitable Life was also here looking for new business. Mr Freeman B. Bishop has lately moved from Canaan into Kentville, and now resides in the eastern part of the town. Mr J. L. Marsters, of Church Street, left Kentville on Saturday to pursue a course of study in science at Cornell University. He anticipates some hard "plugging," as he intends joining the second year class. The agent for the electric light company has been here trying to make further arrangements for introducing the light in this town. Most of the people appear very favorable to the proposed illumination. On Saturday a large tent was pitched near J. W. Margeson's, and until Monday some very interesting Gospel Tent meetings were conducted by Mr Greenman. The meetings were quite well attended. The sidewalk along Redden Row, which had been washed away at the time the dam broke on Mill Brook, has been built up and greatly improved of late.

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W. & A. RAILWAY.

Summer Arrangement! Time Table of Trains, Commencing Tuesday, August 4th, and Until Further Notice.

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Thoughts at Evening on the Water. DEAR EDITOR.—As you looked on my last with so much favor, I feel encouraged to write you another short article. This will describe no particular trip, but will be the thoughts which came to me on one of our trips. We left St. John early, the sun was fully two hours high, and as we entered the Bay of Fundy everything seemed fair to behold. Hardly a ripple disturbed the sea, and not a wave could be seen except those that the steamer made while ploughing through the water on her homeward course. As I watched the broad expanse of the Bay,—so calm and peaceful,—sparkling like many precious stones in the evening sun, I thought how wonderful are the works of God. That same deep, then so calm and peaceful, might 'er another day have passed roaring at its highest pitch in its struggle against the raging tempest. It caused me to think of man in his struggle against self and the world. The sea remains calm—and still—until the winds come up and lash it hither, and thither, in a foaming mass with their restless fury. And so it is with man, he is calm for a season, but the tempest comes on him afresh with greater fury, and the battle is soon over with him the loser, and he is carried away on the restless, useless, path of sin. The sun went down beneath the western hills, (which we could easily see) and the sweet twilight of summer took its place. One by one the little stars appeared, while the land grew dimmer to the eye as night came on apace; but the moon spread forth her light of silvery gray, and all was beautiful. Some ladies aboard began singing songs of home, and my heart grew glad for we were homeward bound. But my thoughts would not stay with me for as I heard those songs of home I thought of thousands who were at that moment suffering from the effects of poverty and sin. The cabin boy told me a story one night which I will give to you. One thing peculiar about the boy is that he is a great reader of newspapers, and will find more joy in one of them than many would in a game of euchre. One evening we got to St. John rather earlier than usual, and he skipped ashore as quickly as possible to get the evening paper. He met a small boy, ragged and forlorn, who had the article he wanted. The smallest change he had was a five cent piece so he handed it to the paper boy. The lad got two cents out and started to search his other pocket for the remaining copper, when the cabin boy told him to keep it and buy a stick of Juggins Coal—all of which will be sold from vessel at lowest rates, or shipped by train per order, and satisfaction guaranteed. W. J. HIGGINS. Wolfville, Sept. 24th, 1891. 5-1f

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