

of their right. I trust that each individual on whom these words have a bearing will lay them seriously to heart. It is for your own truest comfort as well as for your children's highest good, that I would say to each, "Friend, go up higher."

In this connection, it has been to me a cause of much satisfaction that some who have no such cause to make the change have signified their willingness to do so whenever there is need for it.

During the year we have been much exercised in spirit by the events that have transpired in China. Though the direct work of the mission has to some extent been interrupted, God has mercifully guarded our missionary, and given both him and his wife health and strength in the midst of many troubles and anxieties. Let us wait constantly on the throne of grace on their behalf, and that of their fellow laborers, and the greater the obstacles, let our prayers be the more earnest. No time is lost when we are being guided by our Father's eye. All things develop His purpose; all things work together for good. May we each go forward to another year's work, in the glorious confidence of the psalmist, saying, "Thou shalt guide me by Thy council, and afterward receive me to glory."

Your loving pastor,

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