

2. They agree in having obtained this fire by the two greatest means of grace—attention to religious truth and self-surrender to it.

3. They agree in the use of these two means as instrumentalities for the renovation of individuals, nations and ages.

4. They agree in loyalty to *all* the facts of Scripture, and not merely to a fragment of it; and especially in mental hospitality for awakening and severe truth as well as for the opposite.

5. They agree in teaching with the power of vital and vivid convictions the necessity of the New Birth.

6. They agree in teaching with vital and vivid convictions the necessity of the Atonement.

7. They agree in teaching with vital and vivid convictions the necessity of Repentance in this life.

8. They agree in standards as to the conditions of salvation.

9. They agree in being men of prayer, understood as including adoration, confession, thanksgiving, petition and immediate self-surrender to God.

10. They agree in teaching the universal necessity and efficacy of prayer thus understood.

11. They agree in being men of humility, empty of self, and full of a consciousness of God.

12. They agree in being men of great boldness for the truth, and instant in season and out of season to reprove and rebuke iniquity with all authority.

13. They agree in preaching largely from their own religious experience.

14. They agree in making large use of special measures to bring men to an immediate decision to accept God as both Saviour and Lord.

15. They agree in varying these measures as the Divine Spirit seems to suggest, and in not depending on them but on God alone, as revealed in Christ, the Truth and the Holy Spirit.

16. They agree in David's prayer: "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Restore unto me the joys of thy salvation, and uphold me with thy free spirit. Then will I teach transgressors thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto thee."

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## GOD CHASTENS WHOM HE LOVES.



DEAR friends in sorrow, why repine  
Beneath bereavements great!  
It is your God of love divine  
Who bids you bear this weight!  
For you He to the Cross was nailed.  
By men and fiends bell d;  
Yet still His patience never failed:  
He bore your sins and died!  
And shall we not that Hero-King  
Forever love and serve!  
Forever to His banner cling,  
And all His laws observe!  
Then soon in heaven, by Jesus' love,  
With friends now gone before,  
We'll join the ransomed hosts above,  
And meet to part no more!

Earlston, 1836.

H. F. GRAHAM.

## PAGES FOR THE YOUNG

### MISSIONS IN INDIA BY SCHOOLS.

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EVERY schoolboy knows something about India. God has given it to us as part of our mighty empire. It contains about eighty times as many people as Scotland does. For every baby born in Scotland eighty are born in India: for every man, woman, or child that dies in Scotland, eighty die in India. Has it ever occurred to you, my young friends, to ask why God has sent us there? Why has He arranged that these little British Isles should rule so vast a population so far away? Some people seem to think we are there for nothing higher or better than to increase our trade or to make a lot of money, and that God has no nobler purpose in sending us there than to find employment for a large number of our young men in governing the country, building railways, and filling counting-houses. But other people, again, think otherwise. They think that God sent us there, and made us rulers there, and keeps us there, for a much higher and holier purpose, and that that purpose is to teach the people about Himself, and how they may be saved by His loving grace, through Jesus Christ. They believe that God is the Father, that Jesus is the Brother, and that the Holy Ghost desires to be the Sanctifier of all men, whatever their color or country may be. I need not tell you, boys and girls, that I am one of the people who think in this way. It was because some of the best men that lived about the beginning of this century thought and believed in this way that they resolved to send out missionaries to India, and that others offered themselves to go.

But when they got there they found it very