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The Tender Mercies of Hinduism.

EDWIN ARNOLD has done his utmost to glorify Buddhism at the expense of Christianity. His "Light of Asia" is virtually a plea for the religion of the "Buddha." It seems that while in Boston last year, Arnold in an address to the *elite* of that city, told them that he "preferred the dark shadows of Hinduism to the sunlight of Christianity." He then descanted on the benevolent spirit of the Buddhist faith. The "Church at Home and Abroad" calls attention to some of the fruits of this pet system of Arnold's, and quotes one instance in which a "Calvinist" is brought into contrast with Buddhists.

Dr. Taylor of the Presbyterian Hospital in Peking was summoned to attend a poor boy who had been almost killed by a man who had hired him to drive him with a donkey some distance from the city. The rascal cut the boy's throat and otherwise wounded him, and then ran away with the donkey. The boy was found almost dead in a field, and carried close to one of the largest Chinese temples. Hundreds of priests saw the case, but showed no mercy. They would not even let the boy be carried for shelter into the temple porch. No help could be got from them in any way. At last Dr. Taylor got him to the hospital, attended to

his wounds, and the boy is slowly recovering. Where would Edwin Arnold find a body of "Calvinistic" ministers who would thus cruelly ignore the claims of humanity? By the way, it is curious to see with what unanimity the votaries of scepticism and of ritualistic superstition unite in hating and denouncing "Calvinism."

THAT BOY.—Ask the Lord to call him to the Gospel ministry. Your boy, I mean, whom you love so dearly and for whose future you are naturally anxious. If he has the qualifications which would fit him for the ministerial office and work, why should not you devote him to so noble a vocation? Give him to the Lord, plead with the Lord to accept the gift. Our church is in need of the services of her sons. Her future largely depends on the character and calibre of her ministers. A mighty work has to be accomplished throughout the world during the coming fifty years, requiring the best energies of the best men and women. Let us prepare for the long conflict. We cannot do better for our boys, the brightest and best of them, than to offer them to our MASTER for service wherever He may send them.

WOMEN, in ever-increasing numbers, are devoting themselves to the work of making known the Gospel of our Lord in places