

anxiously seeking for the fruit as soon as the tree is planted. With marked ability he labored on patiently, perseveringly, and full of faith, in circumstances which would have crushed to the ground any man of weaker faith. Think, for example, of a record such as this: An eight months' campaign; patients seen, 5,717; hearers preached to, 23,755; books sold, 3,067; miles travelled, 1,860; and then compelled to add, "and out of all this there are only two men who have openly confessed Christ." But his work of faith and labor of love will not be forgotten by the Master. He produced an impression on the hearts of those with whom he came in contact which can never be effaced, and which, by the blessing of God, will produce fruit in the days to come. He died on May 21st, 1891, and when his body was lowered into the grave little Chinese boys threw handfuls of flowers upon the coffin, and the Chinese converts, of their own accord, pressed nearer to the grave and sang, in their own tongue, "In the Christian's Home in Glory." "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

If ability to tabulate results is one of the essentials of success, then the life and work of Gilmour failed of their purpose. But if the making full use of the present and of the opportunities given us, confidently leaving the future and the results in the hands of God, is the discharge of our duty; if we most honor God when we labor patiently and trustfully in some distant and apparently comparatively barren part of the field, mindful only of the will of God; if the Master's eye follows the faithful, diligent servant, and suffers not his labors in the Lord to go unrewarded, nor to be in vain, then the life of James Gilmour has been one of the most helpful, inspiring lives of this century, and we may confidently expect an abundant harvest in that land where he so faithfully sowed the seed.

His biographer has done his work well. He has succeeded admirably in weaving in most skilfully extracts from the letters and diary of Gilmour. Thus, without making it a mere collection of these, he gives the reader an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the man at first hand.

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