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The last year of the century brings to the Empire the greatest war and the greatest famine that have ever come to her; in her South African Empire, the former; in her Indian Empire, the latter. The war cloud is lifting. Its darkest seems past. The famine cloud lowers darker than ever over the starving millions, and the need for help grows more pressing. Our Foreign Mission Committee, West, has issued an appeal on behalf of the sufferers. Send any gifts for this purpose to Rev. Dr. Warden, Toronto, and it will be expended by the combined wisdom of our missionaries in India. In no other way open to us will our giving be so wisely and well.

Some of Canada's brave sons have fallen in South Africa. We learn now as we did not know before what war means. We get a faint glimpse of the shadow on many of Britain's homes. We see through a glass darkly—how darkly—what our liberties have cost, liberties that we lightly prize because accustomed to them, and because we do not know by experience their price, but which were won by blood. We too often value lightly our redemption, not realizing its cost. So with our civil, social, national and religious liberties. In the story of the past every forward step in the march of human progress has been won from tyranny and intolerance by struggle and suffering and death. The blood of martyrs has been the seed not only of the church, but of the home and society and State. In the sacred cause of liberty, in defence of invaded Empire, some of our own have

fallen. And many hearts bow in sympathy with them that weep. May He who knows sacrifice, who loved and gave, give sore sad hearts the help that He alone can give.

This issue gives a fairly complete review of two of our Mission Fields, Trinidad and Korea. How much of performance suggested by the thirty years, more and less, at the heading of some of the Reports. How much of promise in the condition and prospects of the works in both fields. Both have much in them to stimulate and cheer.

Our three missionaries in Korea, whose reports are in this issue, have sent to the Foreign Mission Committee, East, a strong plea for two more men. They urge the great size of the field for which they are responsible, with thirty-five large magisterial towns, innumerable villages, and a population of nearly a million souls.

All papers or letters for any of our missionaries in Honan, must hereafter be addressed

Chang Te Fu,
Honan,
China.

else extra postage will be charged on their arrival. Heretofore it has been customary to address them to the care of the A. B. C. F. M., Tientsin, China. But this is not now sufficient.