

THE MISSIONARY WORLD.

THE WHOLE WORLD TO BE EVANGELIZED IN THE PRESENT GENERATION.

"Let us go up at once and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it." The Earl of Shaftesbury said: "During the latter part of these centuries it has been in the power of those who hold the truth, having means enough, having knowledge enough, and having opportunity enough, to evangelize the globe fifty times over." Recent testimony is given by 120 missionaries in China, representatives of twenty-one Protestant societies. They say: "We want China emancipated from the thralldom of sin in this generation. It is possible." Our Lord has said: "According to your faith be it unto you." The Church of God can do it if she be only faithful to her great commission. This statement comes from those who are intimately acquainted with the discouragements—who know the difficulties. And now, "for the sake of the Name," that name which is above every name, "the love of Christ constraining us," let us go forth. Let the sublime faith and hope of such a grand result, under divine leadership, inspire our effort. Pastors, awake! Be yourselves flaming missionaries! From the lofty altitude of your own high devotion let the stream descend that shall raise every devout hearer to a higher level. Fan the slumbering embers of a smouldering missionary zeal—heap the facts like fuel on the fires. Make the coldest congregation hot with your own burning enthusiasm. Parents, bring up your children to see the dark places of the earth and the habitations of cruelty before their eyes, as Carey's rude map confronted him on that sheet of leather in his cobbler's shop! Merchants, open your treasuries, and pour out your money. Never was an altar that so consecrated the gift. Meanwhile, let the voice of prayer, as with the mingling sound of multitudinous waves, surge against the throne of God!

ST. PAUL'S INSTITUTE, TARSUS.

The Rev. S. H. Jenyanan writes: You will be glad to know of the safe arrival of our party, our expenses being paid by Col. Elliott F. Shepard. Arriving at Mersine, Tarsus and Adana, we were most cordially welcomed by the missionaries and hundreds of the native friends. These three cities being now connected by rail are almost as one city, having a population of nearly 100,000, consisting of Mohammedans, Arminians, Greeks and Fellaheen. The first thing we noticed was the exceeding poverty of the people, owing to the recent severe famine. This year's harvest is good, still there are thousands of sick, aged, feeble women and little children, who are unable to work for their support, whose suffering is beyond description. The people thus afflicted are drawn to the Gospel with greater interest. Since reaching the country it has been my privilege to preach two or three times weekly. In Tarsus, from 200 to 400, and in Adana from 1,200 to 1,500 persons were gathered each Sabbath; prayer meetings are largely attended, and the Sabbath school lesson has to be given from the pulpit, there not being room to arrange classes for such large numbers.

The generous contributions of Christian friends in America for the famine sufferers have proved a means of grace among the people. A few Sabbaths ago we had communion in Adana, at which fifty-four persons united with the Church on profession of faith. In Tarsus the work has not been so prosperous, owing to the lack of a regular pastor and an unsuitable place of worship. Yet there are many to be gathered into the churches.

Another promising feature is the educational interest among the youth. Besides the contributions for the famine sufferers, which were \$2,445 last year, there were given \$2,400 for the scholarship fund for the poor and orphan children of St. Paul's Institute. From this last amount \$425 was sent with the famine money for immediate use in helping our poor children. On our arrival we were surprised to learn that seventy-five children had been assisted. Calling at their schools we saw dozens of pale, sickly-looking, yet bright children, sitting on the hard floor, their clothing patched with pieces of many colours, and worn daily for more than a year (they stay in the house while their only garments are washed and dried). Some had only worn-out books, which they shared with each other. Asking the teacher, "Is this the condition of the children all the year?" the reply was: "They are now in a better state, as the famine is passing. Many continue the school with insufficient clothing, bare-footed and often hungry for days." Many lived on two or three metallics (cents) daily. "Often hungry, yet industrious; shivering with cold, burning with heat, still most eager to make progress." Beyond the pale faces and frail bodies we saw active minds and souls to be loved and won for Christ. They are entirely dependent on benevolent friends for further education—if they are properly cared for and educated, what a great blessing they will prove to this needy and darkened land!

It was God's own time for us to come while the people are so needy and eager to receive the Gospel. Our mission is to teach and preach the truth.

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We expect to open our school in a rented house, October 1. There are many applications for admission, most of whom are orphans and poor children. The sum of \$50 will support a child for one year in the school.

For the success of our mission we depend, with God's blessing, upon the direction of our Board of Trustees and Managers and the benevolent support of Christian friends. I hope you will always be interested in this work, and help it in any way you can. It is the Master's work, to whom be all the glory.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF CANADA.

The Missionary Review of the World gives the following summary:

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Mrs. Hugh Campbell, Secretary, 194 Richmond Street West, Toronto, Ont.

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SUMMARY. Home Work. Table with columns for various categories and their corresponding numbers.

FINANCES. Table with columns for various financial categories and their corresponding amounts.

Total amount contributed. \$25,657 44
Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church of Canada—Eastern Division. Organized 1877.

Miss Edith Burns, Secretary, 18 Kent Street, Halifax.

THE island of Rarotonga, which has in such a wonderful way provided missionaries for New Guinea, is still keeping up its record of devotion to the missionary work. An appeal to the churches on that island for reinforcements is never made in vain. Though their brethren are made martyrs, more than enough helpers immediately volunteer to fill their places. The last report comes that six native teachers of New Guinea had just been ordained at Rarotonga, were fully equipped, and were soon to leave for New Guinea.

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