

on the change in Peter when restored to Christ's favor ; of the power which came not only to Peter, but can come into our hearts. I was very well satisfied with my interpretation ; but a water-carrier in the rear of the hall did not agree with me, and, rising, he gave another interpretation of it, bringing it down to the minds of his simple companions. I recognized in that water-carrier the enthronement of the power of God. I arrived at another station on Sabbath morning in a pouring rain, and what did I see ? A large number of people gathered for the morning service, singing ' All hail the power of Jesus' name ! ' Dr. John West addressed them on the text, ' Be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord. ' Perfect quiet reigned ; not a muscle in their faces moved. They seemed hungry for the Bread of Life. One native, who had not been to the mission for some time, came, bringing a fan which he had made, and on which he had put the hymn ' Ashamed of Jesus ' and these three texts of Scripture : ' Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature ; ' ' If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me ; ' ' He that loseth his life for My sake shall find it. ' He told us how he had been a great opium eater ; and hearing in our mission of Christ and His saving power, he determined to become a Christian if it could save him from the power of opium. He told how he had been giving himself a six months' test, which was now over ; of how Christ had taken away even the taste for opium. Now he wanted to make a profession of Christianity.

"The work of missions is no trifling one. There have been 1,500,000 copies of the Word of God, besides thousands of copies of ' Pilgrim's Progress,' sold or given away in one place.

"One day Dr. Ashmore and I went into the market-place, where we knew we would find a crowd. We were soon surrounded by people who treated us with perfect courtesy. We spoke a few words to them, and one of the natives also addressed them. The audience listened with attention. The old salute had been a shower of gravel stones.

"Medical missionaries in China are doing a great work. I visited a hospital where 100 patients daily listened to the preaching of the Gospel. In connection with this institution 350,000 people had been treated during the past year. One missionary in Canton performed 25,000 operations, treated 1,000,000 patients, and published 30 works besides. These men, who come for healing for their bodies, are deeply impressed by what they see, and go home to tell of it. These heathen are deeply moved by a little kindness ; the tucking in of the covers, the smoothing of the brow, move some of those strong men to tears.

"The problem of to-day is : The re-incarnation of the Son of God among these poor nations until all the world shall join in the strain, ' Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men. ' "

Dr. A. J. Gordon, of Boston, spoke, in the evening, on "The Christian's Ambition for Heavenly Honor."

"A few evenings since I was reading the Greek Testament, when my son asked whether any word in the Greek encouraged the *exercise of ambition* and the seeking of honor. I have found such a word, its meaning being ambition, the love of honor, the love of distinction. It is three times used.

"I believe we have come so much to regard humility the cardinal virtue of Christianity that we may have forgotten the Christian should be ambitious. I think he should be the most ambitious person on the earth. To whom is the promise of eternal life spoken but to those who in patient