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WOMANS DEBT TO CHRIST.

What owest thou thy Lord? Thou who, serene,
Enthroned in heart and home dost reign a queen,
Joy in thy face!
Sorrow and shame thy portion once, and long!
Thine only right, thy right to suffer wrong
In lowly place.

Not of thyself didst thou thy kingdom gain;
Not thine the hand that broke thy heavy chain.
Thy Lord came down;
For thine uplifting stooped to pain and loss;
With pierced hand He gave thee, from His cross,
Thy blood-bought crown.

Some loyal tribute would thou pay, as she
Who broke the precious box, at Bethany,
For His dear feet?
The lengthening years in all their courses bear
Like breath of withered roses on the air,
That perfume sweet.

What canst thou render, since He now no more
Judean highway walks, nor rests by shore
Of Galilee?

Thy heart's desire He knows; He gives reply:
"In want and woe, my weary children cry
Ever to me.

"If but a cup of water in My name
Thou givest them, I count it all the same
As Mine own good."

Thou, serving these in high or lowly ways,
Shalt win, like Mary, from His lips the praise,
"She hath done what she could."

—Mrs. S. A. Ellis, in Watchman.

We sympathize deeply with Mr. and Mrs. Chute at Akidu in the serious destruction of property by the late cyclone, and also the native Christians in the ruin of twelve chapels as well as with personal losses.

Let us remember Mr. and Mrs. LaFlamme and Miss Archibald on their homeward journey.

We are glad to know that many Circles are making special efforts for the Bungalow Fund. The fact of the need has been shown us so clearly that there can be no doubt on that point: But

the object needs to be kept constantly before us, "lest we forget" and some one should lose the privilege of sharing in the effort to provide our missionaries with suitable accommodation for carrying on their work efficiently. We congratulate our sisters in the East on their success in having raised the amount desired, and would be glad if some sister whom the Lord has blessed with means, would be prompted to give a donation during her life time, while legacies are appreciated. Let each give as the Lord has prospered her.

I am convinced that while our work needs reinforcing, while we need more funds to carry it on, these needs are secondary. There is one primary need, and that is prayer. This work is not merely that of impressing upon the Chinese the intellectual superiority of the faith that we profess, not merely showing that the morality of Christianity is higher than the morality of Confucianism and Buddhism, or any other of these faiths. We go out to fight against the great enemies of God and mankind, against the powers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places; and for that service, for that warfare, if we are to be strong, it must be you at home who will make us strong. As long as your hearts and hands are uplifted to God in earnest supplication, just so long will victory be ours.—F. Howard Taylor.

A man in Burma possessed a copy of the Psalms in Burmese, which had been left behind by a traveler stopping at his house. Before he had finished the first reading of the book he resolved to cast his idols away. For twenty years he worshiped the eternal God revealed to him in the Psalms, using the fifty-first, which he had committed to memory as a daily prayer. Then a missionary appeared on the scene and gave him a copy of the New Testament. The story of salvation through Jesus Christ brought great joy to his heart, and he said: "For twenty years I walked by starlight; now I see the sun."