

a disciple a habitual, conscientious, proportionate, prayerful, liberal, unselfish, consecrated giver.

We meet the following erroneous paragraph, not for the first time :

"The first zenana teaching ever attempted in the East was in Siam in 1851, as zenana work in India did not begin until 1858. Twenty-one of the thirty young wives of the king composed the class. And the beginning in India was on this wise : A certain missionary's wife in Calcutta sat in her parlor embroidering a pair of slippers for her husband. A Brahmin gentleman admired them. Mrs. Mullens asked him if he would not like to have his wife taught to make them. He answered yes. That was a fatal word to those who wished to cling to idolatry, but a joyous "yes" it has proved to be to them. As this lady was teaching the women of India to twine the gold and purple into the slippers, she was twining into their hearts the fibres of the sufferings and love of our Lord and Saviour. After one home was opened to the missionary, it was easy to gain access to others."

This is a mistake. Neither Mrs. Mullens nor Mrs. Elizabeth Sale, before her, *originated* zenana work. It dates back years before to the work of Rev. Thomas Smith, Alexander Duff, and Rev. John Fordyce. Having ourselves made such misstatements, we desire to correct them for ourselves and others.

Rev. Z. C. Taylor, of Bahia, writes of the war in Brazil :

"To all religious people, priests and evangelists, there is an underlying secret in this war. The revolting admiral is in hearty sympathy with the Romish religion by protecting and obeying its chiefs. It is from the Pope's legate at Rio that this fact is made public. There has been no pretension so far of a return to a monarchy. In my humble judgment the war is a national chastisement on the part of Rome, because the republican constitution commenced by declaring Church and State separate and equal rights to all. No priest was allowed to vote or be elected to office ;

but silently, secretly, persistently the intriguing Jesuitical priests have been at work creating discontent, thrusting themselves into office, and begging for public favor and patronage ; and gained their point so far as to place the real condition of affairs almost as intolerant and idolatrous as during the monarchy. A short time ago Congress sent a delegate to the Pope, recognizing his legate at Rio City. Councils were ordering certain idol processions to be made at public expense. Bahia and our other State legislature gave endowments to Catholic seminaries ; and now Bahia legislature is considering a proposition to put priests to teaching in public schools as formerly. A soldier is ordered by law to accompany any procession which he may meet, and government bands of music are sent to play at idol festivals. The name 'citizen,' so highly prized at first, has become tame. The priests have had a good opportunity to put the people against the republic. All are quite certain that the monarchy can never be restored, and so in general public sentiment that is not in hearty sympathy with one or the other party is doubtful and despairing. War in Rio has been going on two months to-day (November 6th). Our congregations and work here are not affected in the least by it. Brother Aden fortunately stopped off here and has escaped danger and delay. I believe this war will bring good to the cause of liberty. The people are thinking and learning in the hard school of experience. Light, liberty, and equality must come."

A book called "Traffic in Girls, and Florence Crittenton Missions," has been recently published, written by Miss Charlton Edholm, Superintendent of the Press Department of the World's Woman's Christian Temperance Union. The contents of the book are not only terrible revelations of the existing facts, but in our opinion are in some cases almost too bad to be *put on paper* ; they remind us of what Paul says, "It is a shame to speak of those things which are done of them in secret."

This book, which thus perhaps errs in plainness of statement and shocking revelations, contains startling facts, warning ministers, mothers, and young women of the plots whereby myriads of "our little sisters" are ensnared into