

hope in Christ in 1849. The writer then analyses her character under four heads. 1st. She was polite to every one, and modest, conducting herself with Christian dignity, doing everything with quiet system. Her orderliness and skill were remarkable, she kept herself and family clean and neat (I trust the simplicity of this record will not detract from its interest).

2d. She was patient and full of faith. With passing years she has been greatly chastened by the death of her children. She has had many trials and difficulties, especially during the two years of her husband's absence, preaching as an evangelist in Botan; having the care of the house and the children, and being timid and anxious, alone, far away from her parents, worrying over the spiritual desolations of her village; yet overcoming her fears and restraining complaints, enduring for Christ and believing that the angels encamped round about her (think of a timid woman so making herself strong).

3d. She would never neglect family worship, morning and evening. Her children were taught lessons and verses from the Holy Scriptures for the Sabbath-school. Her sons understand and read five languages (I remember her oldest boy, a sort of prodigy in the schools). How great was her joy to hear of the advance of the Lord's work through her husband's labors in Botan; she said all her troubles were forgotten in that.

4th. She was zealous and diligent, winning souls for Christ. When she first came to the field of her labour, she began teaching school. She neither tired of it nor was ashamed (for a woman to read was considered a disgrace). She trained up a number of girls to be readers (overcoming prejudices), and taught the women verbally the Scriptures. Every Sabbath and every Friday she held meetings for prayer. The Lord blessed her

labors, and we hope she has won many gems to shine in her crown. She lived as a pilgrim and stranger on the earth, looking for a city which hath foundations. *She was not a lover of jewelry and outward ornaments, but looked well to the hidden life of the heart.* (Miss Rice's favorite verse for her girls was, "The King's daughter is all glorious within.") She often spoke of death, saying to her husband, "Fret not, we shall soon go hence." Death came suddenly. She appeared in perfect health till a violent attack of typhoid fever; even in that she was patient and uncomplaining, and without anxiety, except for her little children. On Tuesday morning, an hour after sunrise, in peace and quietness, she yielded up her soul, winging her way towards rest. She leaves behind five motherless children and a distressed husband. From all sides comes the lament, "What a pity, what a pity!" but she has chosen the good part that shall never be taken away from her.

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Comment is unnecessary. A more eloquent and convincing lecture could not be written on foreign missions than the above. "By their fruits ye shall know them," and such are the legitimate fruits of teaching *pure Bible truths* to heathen women. Who would not have part in such a work?

"I wish you all a happy new year!" said Mr. Moody to the gathered assembly at the Depot Church, at the watch-meeting on New-Year's eve. "I wish you all a happy *eternity*," called out the Rev. Dr. Plumer, who stood by Mr. Moody's side.

BLESSINGS long desired are sweeter when they come; if soon given, they lose much of their value. God reserves for thee that which He is slow to give thee, that you may learn to entertain a supreme desire and longing after it.—*Augustine.*