

If God should overtake you round the globe on a visit to the mission stations, it might be an acceptable service to point out to the laborers that when Paul preached the glad tidings in its fulness (1st Thess. 1), comprehensiveness, he proclaimed Jesus Christ the crucified one, and Jesus the risen one.

Platonism is the great theme in China: The perfect happiness of the naked spirit at death; the redemption of the body; life and incorruptibility; the being clothed over with our house from the heavens. The spiritual body and the glorified body are, I fear, unmentioned in the 1,000 tracts now being circulated.

The translators in China have only got as far as using the word quickening. I hope a word will some day come into our vocabulary for resurrection or upstanding. Compare Colossians ii., 12, *συννεβρίσθητε* (Resurrexistis) 13, *συνεξωοποιοῦντες* (Conviviscavit), both rendered in Chinese by one word.

Yours in Christ's service,

GEORGE PARKER, of KANSU.

LETTER FROM MR. CECIL POLHILL TURNER.

Sining, March 3, 1890.

MY DEAR MR. PARKER:—I have not yet written to thank you for sending up the canteen; much obliged to you; I don't think we shall take it with us on our journeys. It is rather elaborate for our two selves.

We have news of you from below Singau, and good news, praise the Lord. We often make mention of you in our prayers, and ask that you may all be prospered at home.

Miss Kinahan has been with us since October, and we have enjoyed her visit much. Miss Muir joined us last week, to help my wife.

Trust you will stir them up well at Shanghai about Kansu. We are specially praying now that native ministers may be raised up in the Church, and looking for a bigger inflowing and outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

I have just been reading a native book on Tibet, published while I was at Chentu, in which it is most strongly expressed that no foreigner is on any account to be admitted to Tibet; especially are the English to be feared, who have a telegraph and railway up to Darjeeling: soldiers and guard stations must be multiplied, etc.

Let us remember GOD. I don't believe Chinese Government and lamas together can stop us when God says "Go." Pray for a clear road for us. We hope (D. V.) to begin moving about amongst the Fautz in a couple of months or so, and do not anticipate being tied to any place.

We want *heaps* more prayer—importunate, unceasing. Unswerving obedience to the Word of God. Unquenchable love, burning zeal. Let's keep ourselves in the love of God, and it will be so. We want unlimited faith in what God can do. May God bless and keep you all. Love to Mrs. Parker, Johnny, etc.

Your loving brother,
CECIL POLHILL TURNER.

United States.

THE SOUDAN MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

[In addition to our Editorial Note in the last number we give place to the following official statement.—J. M. S.]

Topeka, Kansas, May 22, 1890.

DEAR EDITOR:—We believe that you will be interested in the tidings conveyed by the following telegram which was sent us from New York City on the 14th inst. by Mr. Helmick of the Soudan missionary party:

"Psalm cxxvi: 3. Eight sailed. City of Chicago. 1:30 to-day."

Letters which have followed this message bring to us the information that on May 14 there sailed from New York, to carry the gospel to the Soudan, Africa, a party of eight persons, as follows: Charles L. Helmick, formerly General Secretary Y. M. C. A. at Marion, Kansas; F. M. Gates, formerly Gymnasium Superintendent Y. M. C. A. at Topeka, Kansas; John E. Jaderquist and W. J. Harris, formerly Assistant Secretaries Y. M. C. A., St. Paul, Minn.; Roy C. Coddling, of Hastings College, Nebraska; Mrs. E. Kingman, formerly General Secretary Y. W. C. A., Topeka, Kansas; Miss Jennie Dick, formerly Assistant State Secretary Y. W. C. A., Kansas, and Mr. James Trice, a colored man from Durham, S. C. Thus in less than a year from the time when the Lord first placed in the hearts of a few young men and women in the West a desire to carry the glad message to the *ninety millions of the Soudan*, we are permitted to see nine persons (Mr. E. Kingman having already arrived at Sierra Leone as a forerunner in this movement) bid farewell to home, friends and everything that is dear, from a human standpoint, and go forth to that land where as yet there is not even one to herald the story of the Cross. As you doubtless know, the entire party go forth depending alone upon the Lord to supply all their needs, there being no promise of financial support whatever, except as found in the Word of God. Surely the Lord has already honored the simple faith of these His servants, for, while no person has been asked to contribute even a dollar toward their support, yet when the day of sailing came He had bountifully provided for their every need, so that they lacked no good thing and could truthfully say, "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

We quote the following from a letter written by a friend at New York, who was permitted to be with the party until the time of their sailing:

"There was great joy in their departure, and a large number of friends whom the Lord had given them . . . were at the place of sailing, and we sang as the vessel moved out 'God be with you till we meet again,' and the party sang in reply 'We are on the way.' I wish you could have seen the joy in their faces as they realized that they were starting out to the Dark Con-"