

CONSOLATION IN CHRIST AT DEATH.

A MISSIONARY of the Church Missionary Society in Western India writes :—

“Conducted Marathi service in the Old Wadah. Went to see Gunga Bai, a poor sick old woman in the asylum. She is suffering from asthma, and can with difficulty speak; but she is peculiarly peaceful and happy. I asked her whether she was in pain. I reminded her how Jesus had suffered for her, at which her face brightened up, and she began to enumerate His various sufferings. ‘On Him,’ she said, ‘I firmly trust.’ I asked, ‘Do you wish to be restored, or would you like to die and go to God?’ Oh, she said, ‘to go to God; that is what I long for;—but, what He wills, that is best.’ I added, ‘What right have you to expect that, when you die, you will go to God?’ She replied, ‘None, none; I am a poor sinner; but I hope to go through the merits of Christ; I lay hold on His foot.’”

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### THE CALCUTTA ORPHANAGE.

*For the Juvenile Presbyterian.*

Most of our young friends have heard of the plan which has been followed by many of the Sabbath Schools, connected with our Church in Scotland and in Canada, for supporting and educating little Hindoo orphans. A number of benevolent Ladies belonging to the Church of Scotland, having heard of the ignorant and miserable condition of the females in India, formed themselves into an association for educating these poor neglected women. In order to do this, they have establishments, schools, and Missionaries in several parts of India. Among these Institutions are two asylums at Calcutta and Madras where little orphans are received, of whom you know there are thousands every year in India from a cruel practice, which prevails there, of parents deserting their female children.

The cost of maintaining these orphans is only four pounds Currency per annum, and, as soon as a Sabbath School can promise to collect this small sum each year, one of the little orphans is appropriated to them, and called by any name which they may select. Twice a year an interesting account is sent Home to each school of the progress of their orphan, and, as soon as the little girl can write, she is encouraged to send letters to her distant benefactors. Some of these letters which we have seen are, as you may suppose, very interesting.