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church in a whole year, and he is only a boy."

The old minister listened. His eyes moistened and his thin hand trembled on his broad-headed cane. "I feel it all," he said. "I feel it; but God knows that I have tried to do my duty, and I can trust Him for the results."

"Yes, yes," said the deacon; "but 'by their fruits ye shall know them,' and one new member, and he only a boy, seems to me rather a slight evidence of true faith and zeal. I don't want to be hard, but I have this matter on my conscience, and I have done but my duty in speaking plainly."

"True," said the old man, "but 'charity suffereth long, and is kind; beareth all things, hopeth all things.' I have great hope of this one boy,

Robert. Some seed that we sow bears fruit late, but that fruit is generally the most precious of all."

The old minister went to the pulpit that day with a grieved and heavy heart. He closed his discourse with dim and tearful eyes. He wished that his work was done forever, and that he was at rest among the graves under the blooming trees in the old kirkard. He lingered in the dear old kirk after the rest were gone. He wished to be alone. The place was sacred and inexpressibly dear to him. It had been his spiritual home from his youth. Before this altar he had prayed over the dead forms of a bygone generation and had welcomed the children of a new generation; and here—yes, here—he had been told at last that his work was no longer owned and blessed!

No one remained—but one. "Only a boy." The boy was Robert Moffat. He watched the trembling old man. His soul was filled with loving sympathy. He went to him and laid his hand on his black gown.

"Well, Robert," said the minister. "Do you think that if I were willing to work hard for an education that I could ever become a preacher?"

"A preacher?"

"Perhaps a Missionary." There was a long pause. Tears filled the eyes of the old minister. At length he said: "This heals the ache of my heart, Robert. I see the Divine hand now. May God bless you, my boy! Yes; I think that you will become a preacher."

Some years ago there returned to London from Africa an aged Missionary. His name was spoken with reverence. When he went into an assembly the people rose; when he spoke in public there was deep silence. Princes stood uncovered before him; nobles invited him to their homes. He had added a province to the Church of Christ on earth; had brought under the Gospel influence the most savage of African chiefs; had given the translated Bible to strange tribes; had enriched with valuable knowledge the Royal Geographical Society, and had honoured the place of his birth, the Scottish Kirk, the United Kingdom and the universal missionary cause.

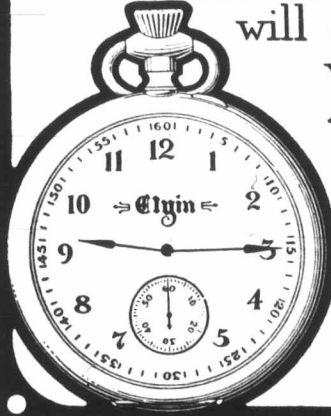
It is hard to trust when no evidence of fruit appears. But the harvest of right intention is sure. The old minister sleeps beneath the trees in the humble place of his labours, but men remember his works because of what he was to that one boy, and what that boy, Robert Moffat, was to the world.

### THE CHINESE BOY.

#### At Play.

Chinese boys have many games, just as you have here, and they enjoy a good play just as much as you do. If their fathers are at all well-to-do, they buy their boys toys, but most of them are too poor for this, and the boys have to make their own games. Nor do they have very much time for play, for there are the buffalos to watch, and school

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#### LINES ON A ROSE.

By a young man, now deceased.

This lovely flower, whose beauteous tints

Vie with the blushing morn,  
Flourish'd in Eden's fragrant bowers,  
A rose without a thorn.

Had spotless innocence remain'd,  
Had man from sin forborne,  
It still had been that lovely flower,  
A rose without a thorn.

Alas! that innocence is fled;  
Virtue no more adorns

Base man; and earth no longer yields  
Roses that bear no thorns.

The Rose of Sharon! Fairest flower  
That could a world adorn,  
Once bloomed on earth; but man  
entwined  
Round Sharon's Rose a thorn.

Hail, Sharon's Rose! Thy fragrance cheers

The soul to sorrow born,  
Whose trembling hand e'en now can grasp  
One Rose without a thorn.

Transplanted to the heaven of heavens,

Where one eternal morn  
Casts its bright beams, blooms  
Sharon's Rose,  
A Rose without a thorn.

hours are long, and every day.

Chinese girls, too, have very little time for play after they are able to help with the household duties of making the clothes, and spinning and weaving, besides the cooking, and working in the fields, if they are farmers. Their bound feet, too, make them prisoners of custom, and take much of their childhood from them. I am sure you would not want to be a Chinese girl, or even a boy—and give up all your fine toys and baseball and other games.

#### At School.

School in China begins before daylight, and continues, with recesses, until dark, and is held on every day of the week, for the Chinese know nothing of Sunday. Nearly everything is done in exactly the reverse way to the way in which you study.

The Chinese boy never reasons anything out, but just learns it by heart. He studies out loud and at the top of his voice, so that the teacher may know he is at work. And you can imagine what a noise there is when twenty or thirty boys are doing the same thing. He stands with his back to the teacher when he recites, and begins to read his book from what with us would be the end of the book.

His books teach him a great deal that is nothing but nonsense, as, for instance, that heaven is round and the earth square, with China in the centre; that an eclipse is caused by a dog trying to eat up the sun or moon; besides many of the writings of their wise man, Confucius, some of which are good, and many quite worthless, as we understand education. The Chinese boy comes out of school having learned a great many useless things by heart, and nothing which will be of practical use to him in his after life. Would you like that?

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