

God," "God is our Refuge," "I am the Good Shepherd," "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world," etc.

Is it not a pleasure to think that such mottoes as these have been carried through a heathen town, accompanied in some cases by the singing of a gospel hymn?

Besides the town schools, five other Sunday schools belonging to villages, some two to six miles distant, also came so that the church was well-filled. About two hundred and fifty children, thirty teachers, and seventy adult visitors were present.

Our programme consisted of a short sermonette on "Foundations," by Mr. Stillwell, a bright and interesting black-board talk by Pastor Prakashum, and an object lesson by our happy chairman, Dr. Joshee. The General Superintendent gave an interesting report of the year's work. The black-board talk showed that Jesus was the ladder from earth to heaven, and that the three steps which we must take were Repentance, Faith and Obedience. Dr. Joshee used a bottle of dirty water for his object lesson. He covered it up with a pretty cloth, but it still remained as dirty as before. He washed the outside of the bottle thoroughly, dipping the bottle right into the water. Afterwards he put a label on the bottle, naming it "Clean Water," but it remained the same inside. At last he opened the bottle and poured in clean water until all the dirty water had gone, and the clean had taken its place. I wonder how many of you can see what this teaches about our hearts, outside appearance, baptism, calling ourselves Christians and salvation by God's grace.

In between these different talks, we heard the different schools say their verse, and sing their hymn. It was

hard to keep one's face straight as some of them sang, "What tune were they singing? Which boy or girl would finish first?" It was very amusing. However some of the schools sang beautifully. The Cast Girls' Schools sang English tunes with the organ, "Come to Jesus," "Sound His Praises," "Tell the Story," and Veeramma's school sang "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know" in English. Every Sunday a little picture paper is given to those who learn and repeat a Bible verse. As each school took their part in the Rally exercises, the scholars who had thirty of these little papers were given a picture from the Picture Rolls, which some of you have sent. (Send as many more as you can, we can find use for them all.) After the service was over, the children marched out to the tune of "At the Cross." On the road at one side, the representatives of the Leper Sunday School with their banners were waiting, and sang for us. The children marched to our bungalow, and seated themselves on the verandah. Then we gave each of them two plantains, and they went away singing, after a very happy time. I need not tell you that the order was not perfect. You will know that so many children of so many kinds, many or most of whom do not go to any day-school, could not sit perfectly still for two hours. But (let me whisper it to the children) it was no worse, perhaps even better than the order I have seen in some Sunday Schools at home.

So ended a gathering, the results of which we shall not know until we see "The King in His Beauty," and gather together with the redeemed of Canada, China, Japan, and all lands. Pray that at least in some hearts the seed may bear fruit to life everlasting.

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