

bearing on missions. During the present year we have, without any special effort, raised \$8 among our nine members. Some of the sisters hope to do better, in the matter of giving, this year than formerly.

Our Young People's Department is unavoidably omitted this month.

"NOT I, BUT CHRIST."

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"Not I, but Christ," be honored, loved, exalted;

"Not I, but Christ," be seen, be known, be heard;

"Not I, but Christ," in every look and action;

"Not I, but Christ," in every thought and word.

"Not I, but Christ," my yearning supplication;

"Not I, but Christ," my longed-for, wished-for goal;

Christ, only Christ, my fondest meditation;

Christ, only Christ, theme sweetest to my soul.

"Not I, but Christ," to gently soothe in sorrow;

"Not I, but Christ," to wipe the falling tear;

"Not I, but Christ," to lift the heavy burden;

"Not I, but Christ," to brush away all fear.

"Not I, but Christ," in lowly silent labor;

"Not I, but Christ," in humble, earnest toil;

Christ, only Christ! no show, no ostentation;

Christ, none but Christ, the gatherer of the spoil.

Christ, only Christ, no idle word e'er falling;

Christ, only Christ! no endless bustling sound;

Christ, only Christ! no self-important bearing;

Christ, only Christ! no trace of "I" be found.

Christ, only Christ, e'er long will fill my vision,

Glory excelling, soon, full soon, I'll see—

Christ, only Christ, my every wish fulfilling—

Christ, only Christ, my All in All to be!

—A. A. F., *Bombay Guardian*.

WHY the Turkish government should have taken such extraordinary pains to prevent any allusions in the press to the burning of the famous mosque at Damascus it is not easy to understand. The fire occurred on the fourteenth of October last, and the destruction of the building had a most depressing effect upon the city. It is said that people regarded it as a portentous calamity, indicating the decay of Turkish power and prestige. One of the most singular facts connected with the mosque is that an inscription upon one of its towers, which was placed there when the building was the Church of St. John the Baptist, prior to the conquest of Omar, has been allowed to remain during all these centuries. Strange to say, in this last fire the tower, with its inscription, was not injured. There it stands to-day, looking down on the ruined mosque, and one may still read the words: "Thy kingdom, O Christ, is an everlasting kingdom, and thy dominion is from generation to generation."

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