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MISS OLIVER, M. D. — You will ere this have heard the sad, sad tidings of Mrs. Murray's sudden illness and death. It fell upon us all with a shock, that even yet it is hard to realize that she will never again be with us. Only three days before her death she was here to ask for me (I was laid up with diphtheria at the time). The next day, Friday, she was seized with what the doctor at first thought to be only slight jaundice. Not till Saturday night did any one apprehend anything serious, as she was able that forenoon to attend to her household duties as usual. Late that night Mr. Murray noticed that she seemed to be becoming delirious, and before the doctor could be summoned severe vomiting had set in, and in a few hours she was unconscious, and continued in that state till near midnight of Sabbath, when she quietly passed away. The youngest of our mission band, yet the first taken, hers was a lovely Christian character, and needed not years to ripen it for heaven. Though so hastily summoned by the messenger of death, he found her ready and waiting. Her Lord's last message from His word to her was that royal welcome to the heavenly home given in Rom. xiv. 8. Saturday morning in her usual Bible reading that verse filled her with such an ecstasy of joy that going to her husband with her face beaming she told him of what a precious message the Master had sent her, though never thinking how literally real it was to be in a very few hours.

Though Mrs. Murray had suffered from occasional fever almost from the time of our landing in India, yet there had never been anything to arouse anxiety in our minds, and only a week before her death she remarked to me that during the past month she had been better than any time during the year. She died from acute yellow atrophy of the liver, a rare but much more fatal disease