

RANSOM OF SLAVES

WE beg to call the attention of our kind readers to a Work of Mercy extraordinarily meritorious, that is to our **AFRICAN RANSOM WORK**. It is true the European Powers have abolished slavery in Africa, at least the most horrible phase of slavery. Those human meat markets of Tabora, of Ujiji, etc, have been done away with. However, slaves are still numberless in Central Africa and elsewhere. Thousands of children and even adults, men and women, kidnapped during wars out of revenge, or given away from motives of superstition are to be daily seen by Missionaries. They belong to heathens or to cruel Mahomedans, whose cruelty eye-witnesses alone can understand. Every week, nay every day, Missionaries would redeem those poor creatures had they money enough to do so.

The ordinary price of ransom is the sum of **twenty dollars**. Those who send \$20.00 for a ransom become the adoptive parents of the one they free, and may choose the Christian name to be given them when they are baptized.

GIFTS TO THE MISSION.

From Cincinnati, 5 ransoms : Mary-Lucilla, Mary-Gertrude Mary-Christine, Mary-Elinor, Marie-Thérèse	\$100.00
From Cincinnati, ransom of Flavia-Victorine	20.00
From Mt Adams, ransom of Ursula-Julia	20.00
From Eureka, ransom of a girl	20.00
From Berkeley, ransom of Jane	20.00
From St Pauls, for a Male-Catechist	15.00
From St Gabriel, for a Woman-Catechist	10.00
From Sabula, for a Woman-Catechist	10.00
From Hopkins, for the Mission	10.00
From Janesville, for the Mission	5.00
From New York, for 1st Communicant	3.00
From La Salle, for the Mission	2.00
From Akron, for the Mission	2.00
From Victoria, for the Mission	2.00
From Amount of Smaller gifts	56.25

CANCELLED STAMP WORK.

From Common Fund, ransom of a girl	20.00
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DECEASED.

Miss Sarah O'Reilly, Columbus, Ohio.—Mrs Catherine Thomas, New York.—Sisters Ste Philomène, St Didier, St Nevat, and St Isabelle, Sisters of Charity, Quebec.—Jos. Tessier, Wild Race.

Requiescant in pace.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

23 conversions.—17 vocations.—25 spiritual favors.—19 sick.—30 temporal favors.—21 thanks-giving.—22 intentions for friends who promise to get subscriptions to *The African Missions* if their prayers are heard.

Prayers have been requested with the promise to secure help for the ransom of slaves.