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the course of an address this remarkable nobleman said :—"Do we look back to the work done by such eminent men as our most distinguished statesmen, Lord Dalhousie, Lord Canning, Lord Lawrence, Lord Ripon, or even the present grand representative of Her Majesty in India, Lord Dufferin, for the new light that has been shed over the dark continent? No! We look back on the time when such men as Marshman and Carey, and pre-eminently that grand and learned man, that devoted servant of Christ, Dr. Duff, first introduced that mysterious little volume, the Word of God, which shows a man the secrets of his own heart, and tells him how he can be reconciled to an offended God, as no other book does. I rejoice that I have had an opportunity of judging for myself in this country why England is a favored nation; and I feel sure that with the aid of all these valuable societies the time is not far distant when the full light will shine in India as the mid-day sun, and my country will throw away its idols and bow itself before the unseen God who makes Himself known in His revealed work, and by His Spirit which dwelleth in man."

The Rev. A. Jewson, writing of the backwoods of India, gives an account of the evening worship of a band of servants :—"The hymns they sung at the service finely illustrate the sincerity of their faith and their lowly attachment to Jesus. Here is one of them :

I voyage in stormy days;
The shore is out of sight;
No helmsman is at hand;
My boat is rotten;
But if I perish, O Emmanuel!
Thy name will not remain untarnished.

And therefore they are confident that He will not let them perish. One of their choruses is especially good :

The love of Christ an ocean wide doth roll,
Dive deep within its depths, O thou my soul.

It may not be out of place to remind you that during the past year the attention of the Christian Church has been directed to Foreign Missions as seldom before. This remark may indeed apply to several years by-gone. For some time past the tide of interest has been rising, and now it sweeps through the entire Church of Jesus Christ in such volume and power that scarcely a single heart can be found anywhere untouched by its glorious influence. For many years the prayer of the people of God was that the Lord might open doors of entrance into lands long barred against the Gospel. That prayer has been answered; it may be said with almost literal truth, that every door is open now. For many years, too, it was the prayer of the Church that the Lord might raise up and qualify laborers willing to go forth into the great harvest-field of the Gospel. That prayer also has been answered. There are men and women in numbers, that a little while ago would have seemed incredible, full of faith and courage, ready to be spent in this service. Many are ready to go whom the Church of Christ, alas! for want of means, is not yet able to