

Lord of the Harvest.

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1. Lord of the har-vest, Thee we hail; Thine an-cient pro-mise doth not fail; The
2. If spring doth wake the song of mirth; If sum-mer warms the fruit-ful earth; When

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vary-ing sea-sons haste their round, With good-ness all our years are crown'd;
win-ter sweeps the nak-ed plain, Or au-tumn yields its ri-pen'd grain,

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Our thanks we pay This ho-ly day: O let our hearts in tune be f-und.
Still do we sing To Thee, our King; Thro' all their chan-ges Thou dost re-gn.

3. But chiefly, when Thy liberal hand
Scatters new plenty o'er the land,
When sounds of music fill the air,
As homeward all their treasures bear;
We too will raise
Our hymn of praise,
For we Thy common bounties share.

4. Lord of the harvest, all is Thine:
The rains that fall, the suns that shine,
The seed once hidden in the ground,
The skill that makes our fruits abound:
New every year
Thy gifts appear;
New praises from our lips shall sound.

MISSIONARY GLEANINGS.

Rajah or Christian—A Choice.

SIR CHARLES ELLIOTT, speaking at a great S.P.G. meeting, told of a little independent kingdom in the Khasia Hills. The heir had become a Christian in his youth, converted by the Welsh missionaries who have occupied that district, and had married a Christian wife. When the chief died, the people came to the heir and said, "We like you very much, but we cannot possibly allow you to be chief so long as you are a Christian. There are sacrifices to be performed to the tribal gods and the local gods, who will certainly send plague among us, and kill our children and destroy our crops if they are not propitiated; and you cannot perform those sacrifices. Give up your Christianity and we will take you back with open arms." But he refused. He gave up his kingdom for Christ. Which of us would do the like?

Hundreds of Unevangelised Villages.

NORTH INDIA MISSIONARY writes: "There are hundreds of villages where the Gospel has never been preached, and others where the voice of the preacher has been seldom heard. There are nearly 5,000,000 people in this scantily-manned district."

Two Clergy for 3,000,000 People.

ABOUT the size of Yorkshire," writes the Rev. A. E. Bowlby, "are the three districts, Bulandshahr, Aligarh, and Etah, with a population about the same, some 3,000,000 people. Think of Yorkshire with two clergy and a band of some twenty Scripture Readers and Biblewomen! Could it be evangelised with effect?"

"The Whites are ruining my Indians!"

MUCH is the sad exclamation of the heroic Bishop Bompas, of Selkirk, British A'ska. The Indians who had been won over to Christ by the self-denying labours of himself and his fellow-Missionaries were contaminated by the arrival of hordes of godless miners. A similar cry might be truly raised in many a Mission field. It bears a twofold moral. If the heathen are to meet with vicious and degraded white men, all the more reason for sending out the messengers of the Gospel to counteract their influence; if white settlers need the Gospel so much, means should be taken to send it to them. The Colonial and Continental Church Society, and the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, both labour for this purpose.