

THE EMPEROR OF CHINA AND THE BIBLE.

A correspondent writing from Peking says:

The Testament for the empress dowager was sent to the palace in Peking on November 12th. This "Jesus Religion Book" was received and immediately sent in to her majesty, who lost no time in examining its contents. The emperor was anxious to see the Book, but, on finding that her majesty was too busy looking over it, he got impatient and immediately ordered the head eunuch to go out and purchase a copy, and to lose no time about it. Shortly afterwards one of the eunuchs named Li, dressed in his official robes, made his appearance at the American Book Store and Bible Depot. He carried with him a slip of paper, on which was written, in Chinese characters, "One Old Testament, one New Testament." The Chinese assistant at the store, who is very highly educated, was struck with the uncommon look of the characters, and out of curiosity asked who had written them. The eunuch replied, "The emperor," "Oh, indeed," said the assistant, "to-day the women of the Christian religion presented a beautiful copy of the New Testament to the empress dowager." "Yes replied the eunuch, "the emperor has already seen it, and now wishes to obtain copies of the Book of the Jesus Religion." The Books were got ready, taken possession of, and paid for. Just after noon on the same day the eunuch returned to the depot with the New Testament, many of the leaves of which were turned up. He said his majesty the emperor had looked through it, and that he had observed a number of errors in the printing. The assistant at once changed it, giving the eunuch a more correct copy. Since then the emperor, the empress dowager, and other royal personages have been busy reading the Holy Scriptures.

THE PROMPT CLERK.

A young man was commencing life as a clerk. One day his employer said to him:

'Now to-morrow that cargo of cotton must be got out and weighed, and we must have a regular account of it.'

He was a young man of energy. This was the first time he had been intrusted to superintend the execution of this work; he made his arrangements over night, spoke to the men about their carts and horses, and resolved to begin very early in the morning. He instructed the laborers to be there at half-past four o'clock. So they set to work and the thing was done, and about ten or eleven o'clock his master came in and seeing him sitting in the counting-house, looked very black, supposing that his commands had not been executed.

"I thought said the master, 'you were requested to get out that cargo this morning.

'It is all done,' said the young man, 'and here is the account of it.'

He never looked behind him from that moment—never! His character was fixed; confidence was established. He was found to be the man to do the thing promptly. He very soon came to be the one that could not be spared; he was as necessary to the firm as any one of the partners. He was a religious man, went through a life of great benevolence and at his death was able to leave his children an ample fortune.—*Young Churchman.*

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Brantford Expositor.

Scotland is the name of a pretty little village in the county of Brant, 12 miles from Brantford. One of the oldest residents of the village is Mrs. Mary Bowman, widow of the late James Bowman, and to say that she is known to every person in the community and to many outside the county is but stating a simple fact. A reporter of the *Expositor*, who recently had occasion to visit the village, was informed that Mrs. Bowman is another of the numerous army of sufferers made well by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and interviewed her with a view to getting the particulars. Mrs. Bowman is now nearly 72 years of age, but from all appearances is enjoying the best of health and bids fair to be spared to see more years than the allotted three-score and ten. Her story can best be given in her own words. She said: "I had been afflicted with liver and kidney complaints for many years past, and a year ago this spring I was nearly used up and barely able to do anything. The symptoms of my trouble were lameness in the back and soreness all through the body. I had a kind of neuralgia in my head nearly all the time. For relief I had tried many remedies, but they were of no assistance, and I continued to be troubled with these severe pains. One day a lady friend urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and I purchased a couple of boxes. While taking these my appetite returned and my lameness did not bother me so much. I then purchased seven more boxes and continued taking them, and continually felt an improvement, and by the time I had used up the pills I was enjoying better health than I had done for years, and I am now entirely free from aches and pains. I know that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a grand medicine, and I have recommended them to many of my friends." Mrs. Bowman is so well known that no person will for a moment doubt the statements she makes as to the great benefit she has found from the use of Pink Pills.

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