

## World of Missions.

### Claims of Mission Study.

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The evangelization of the world is the purpose for which the Church was organized. Christ did not come to earth to save any one race or any one nation. If he did have such a purpose in coming the Jews would have been the only recipients of his sacrifice, and we would to-day be heathen, as were our ancestors. He came to conquer the whole world. No young person can expect to take his place in the conquering army or meet in any degree the responsibility which is placed upon him as a Christian until he views in its entirety the purpose for which the Church was founded. He must know the field, the problems, the difficulties, and the immensity of the task which is before the Church. He can never gain this vision until he sees the whole world and its needs, and his duty as related to those needs.

Mission study is also worthy of the attention of the young people because of the greatness of the missionary enterprise. Anything that is great is worthy of the attention of a person who desires to take his place in the world's work. The missionary enterprise is the greatest enterprise upon which any body of men ever entered. It is no small task to conquer a world, whether the conquest be temporal or spiritual. Before the world can be conquered the missionary of the cross must become familiar with the geography of all lands, must master the languages of all peoples, and in many cases must create an alphabet and reduce a heathen jargon to a written language. He must translate the Bible into every tongue and dialect, and must place books of every grade and character within the reach of all men. He must educate preachers and teachers, that they in turn may instruct a race and build up an intelligent Christian civilization. He must live with these people in their huts and in their tents; he must be a part of their lives, that he may gain a knowledge of their relations to the world, the customs of life, and their very thoughts. These things cannot be done in a moment, nor by a handful of men. The Church must nerve itself to a long and hard battle. It must raise a fund large enough to support this army of conquerors and equip them with all the necessary appliances for work. It must direct their course, plan their conquests, and, in short, look after the large details connected with any great organiza-

tion. This is a task sufficiently large to occupy the attention and interest of every young person in the Church.

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We will never have the sympathy of the Christ until we know the suffering of the world as he knew it. We never can show forth the Christ spirit until we show him to those who need him most, and we never will gain the necessary knowledge to accomplish these things until we study the needs of the world. How many are aware of the suffering caused by the slave trade in Central Africa? How many are touched by the cruel treatment of children in heathen China? How many sympathize with those who are bound down and overcome by the superstition, ignorance and degradation of the caste-ridden India. If Christ died for these millions should we not also care for their needs?

Mission study is worthy a place in the thought and time of the young people because of the part which the missionary enterprise is taking in the making of current history. Truly we may say that those have gone forth from Protestant lands who are turning the world upside down. Neither the diplomacy of kings and emperors, the laws of Legislatures and Parliaments, the marching of armies, nor the sailing of fleets will have as great an influence in determining the character of the world, the happiness of humanity, and the progress of events as will the slow, painstaking and persistent work of the missionary of the cross.

History is being made rapidly in these days. Before our very eyes the whole character and fundamental relations of nations are being changed. Japan is not Christian, but she is being leavened by the spirit of Christianity. The caring for the wounded and the sick of the enemy, as has often been done in the present war, is not an act of a heathen nation, but the act of a nation which has at least felt the first influences of the Gospel message.

India is not a true Christian nation, but hundreds of thousands are awaiting Christian baptism, and some have been so brave as to say that there are many living to-day who will see India classed among the Christian nations of the world. Is it a small event in history that a nation shall be turned from heathenism to Christ? Will our young people live in this great age and not know the possibility of these great changes, and not have a part in forwarding this reformation?—The Christian Advocate.

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Flemish Sauce.—Cut a cupful of carrots into very small dice. Cover with boiling water and simmer one hour. Put three tablespoonfuls of butter, two of flour, a slice of carrot, an onion cut fine, a blade of mace and twenty peppercorns in a saucepan. Stir over the fire one minute and add two cupfuls of any kind of seasoned meat stock. Simmer gently half an hour. Add a cupful of milk, boil up once and strain. Now add the cooked carrot, one tablespoonful chopped parsley, two of chopped cucumber pickles, and, if you like, one grated horseradish. Taste to see if salted enough.

Toast.—Remove the crust and toast slices of stale bread, arrange in a shallow basin, pour over cold milk to soften, and cover to the depth of half an inch. Cover closely and set in a moderately warm oven two or three hours. Put a little sweet cream over the top, or dot with bits of butter.