

custom to resign his commission and keep 3 years mourning, at the end of which time his money was all squandered, and deeper and deeper he indulged in opium and other vices. In the spring of last year he came to break off opium and day by day he heard of the Saviour who could save him, and he there and then did trust; after a consistent life for a year's probation, we baptised him March 17th of this year. This August a letter came to him from the Viceroy's military adviser, inviting him up to Chentu, the Capital, with a view to reappointment. This man, he had rescued on one occasion when cut off by rebels 33 years ago and they vowed eternal friendship. Now the one is put in power, he remembers his old friend and seeks to repay him.

I should like to speak of others, as *Chang ping teh*, a young countryman who has passed through persecution in his village for the sake of the Gospel, also of Yang ta ye a dear old man, who came to burn all his idols here and of many devout women. I must tell you of one more man *A Buddhist Priest* named Wang, aged 35, who has been in the largest temple in the city, a fine tall figure, for many Sundays he has been coming to us and now he has left the Temple and put off the priest's dress and come out on the Lord's side, one more enquirer, also "Wang" by name living 40 miles off, 5 years ago suffering from his eyes, was led to reform his life and pray to Heaven, giving up his opium and all known sins, and says his prayers were heard. An Evangelist preaching at his village was persecuted, which caused him to enquire about us, and now he has been led to us here and seems to be drinking in the Gospel.

I have sought to bring before you the needs of the heathen of China. It is not according to our mission to appeal for funds, as I said, the Lord does provide, but should any be personally interested in our station work I might mention we are building our native Church and would be very pleased should you wish to assist towards its building.

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Contributions, however small, towards the building of this Church, will be thankfully received by Rev. C. C. Waller, 77 Fort Street, or by the Treasurer of the College Missionary Society, S. H. Mallinson, 896 Dorchester Street, Montreal.