

declares that there is scarcely an educated man in India who has not read the Bible, and that it is impossible for a Hindu not to feel a profound respect for it.

—For the first time in the history of university education in India, a native of India has been appointed an examiner in English in the examination for the Master of Arts degree. The recipient of this distinction is Lala Madan Gopal, M.A., barrister-at-law, and a fellow of the Punjab University, who was recently made a Rai Bahadur. He has been appointed one of the examiners for the M.A. examination of the Punjab University. He is a distinguished alumnus of the old Delhi College.—*Civil and Military Gazette.*

—Mr. Haffenden reports the baptism of a real Malay on January 5th as the direct fruit of the Bible Society's work in Singapore. About three years ago he bought the Gospel of St. Luke from a native colporteur in the streets of Singapore. Since then he has read the book, understanding some parts and others only partially. He was struck by finding Jesus spoken of as both the Son of God and the Son of Man, and this he could not understand. He was at the time head fireman on board a steamer plying in the Straits. He was often abused by his companions for reading the book, but still he continued to do so. Going one day to buy medicinal oil at the house of a Chinese Mohammedan whom he had known years before as a native doctor, he saw a text on the wall and spoke about it. This led to a talk about the Gospel, and he asked to be taken to some European teacher, and thus his baptism came about. His face was beaming. When asked if he had got anything by becoming a Christian, he said, "Yes, I have got a light heart."—*Bible Society Reporter.*

—The missionary who wants to live long in the East, and succeed, must cultivate patience. Rudyard Kipling puts it well in these lines :

"It is not good for the Christian's health to
hustle the Aryan brown,
For the Christian riles, and the Aryan smiles,
and he weareth the Christian down ;
And the end of the fight is a tombstone white,
with the name of the late deceased,
And the epitaph decries : ' A fool lies here, who
tried to hustle the East.' "

—*Rev. D. D. Moore.*

China.—There is at the foundation of the Chinese civilization and of the Chinese national character a nucleus of moral worth and intellectual capabilities which may come to the front again. When the walls break down which separate China from the rest of the world, so as to give the Chinese a chance of learning from us all they can, it is very doubtful what the result of a free competition with the Chinese would be. Their imperturbable patience, their endurance, their steadfast character, their pious reverence, their respect for learning, should not be underrated. If these virtues are but turned in the right direction and tempered by that breadth of mind which is indispensable for progress, the Chinese will soon recover ; and nothing is more apt to produce a national rebirth than hard times, trials, and humiliations. China is offered in her recent misfortunes the chance of a spiritual rebirth. Should she avail herself of this opportunity she would, with her 400,000,000 of inhabitants and her untold virgin resources, at once take a prominent rank among the nations of the earth ; and her civilization might become strong enough to influence and modify our own.—*Dr. Paul Carus in The Monist.*

—In Chinese families one of the most regular attendants at church is pretty certain to be the baby. If the mother goes she never dreams of leaving baby at home, and in any good-sized congregation there will be a considerable sprinkling of these small creatures. When they are good and go to sleep (the best of babies can't do better in church) they are probably laid carefully on their backs on the bench, or even on the floor, while mamma fans the little