

## Other Mission Fields.

### THE AMERICAN BAPTIST TELUGU MISSION.

Extract from a Letter by Rev. F. S. Hatch, General Secretary of the United Society of Christian Endeavor in India, to Rev. Wayland Hoyt, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa. A strong testimony to the genuineness of the work among the Telugus.

*My Dear Sir and Brother:*

The last thing I recall that you said to me when I bade you good bye was this. "Visit the Telugu Mission; it is the greatest mission in the world." You may be sure that I thought of you when I was at Ongole, as I often do in other parts of this great empire. Your sense of the importance and value of the mission to the Telugus is not too high. It is a wonderful mission. I visited different stations, and spoke at Ongole to a crowded house. There were 500 or 600 or more, at the evening meeting. They wanted me to establish a junior society in their Faith Orphanage, an institution which already cares for 200 orphans. There is no doubt that you know more about the Telugu work than I can possibly tell you. All the same it is a mighty inspiration to have such privileges and to see these converts coming out of heathenism. I tell you, I do not care how broad a man is in his thoughts and feelings, I believe he will be both broadened and deepened as he sees the sights God has permitted me to see. I thought I was a missionary pastor while shepherding my flock, but the vision of missions on the field is like seeing a landscape at midday, after having seen it only by moonlight. I want others of my countrymen to see these wonderful things.

Of course when thousands of people become Christian in a few weeks or months, there are no appliances to give them suitable training. Dr. Boggs and Mr. Heinrichs are doing great work in training theological teachers who will go out into the villages and develop these young Christians. But there is no danger of their having too many or too well-equipped teachers of their own race.

When thousands of people flocked to these spiritual teachers, imploring them to baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, there was only one thing to do. Their duty was just as patent as that of the early disciples. The Telugu Mission is carrying on an experiment which I regard as more analogous to the way Christians were received from heathen-

ism in the early days, than any other mission I have seen. I find missionaries are discussing the question, "Is it possible that we have been too unmindful of the fact that if India, with its three hundred millions of people, is ever to be won to the Saviour, it must be won by masses!"

As your denomination has taken the lead, in the providence of God, in this particular form of work, I trust it will also back it up by magnificent supplies both of money and of men. Some Eastern problems, both missionary and political, appear very different on the ground from what they do in America. One thing is plain to a person who travels widely here and observes carefully—the missionary is doing ten times as much to settle permanently and righteously the great problems of the race here in the East as the soldiers or the civil authorities, however nobly some of these may do.

Fraternally yours,  
F. S. HATCH.

### SIAM.

The King of Siam gave this gratifying testimony to our countrymen: "The American missionaries have lived in Siam a long time, they have been noble men and women, and have put their hearts into teaching the people, old and young, that which is good, and also various arts beneficial to my kingdom and people. Long may they live and never may they leave us!" — *The Missionary Monthly*.

### SUGGESTIVE FIGURES.

1,000,000,000 human beings yet in heathenism.

10,000 missionaries, or 1 to 100,000

In China, 1 to 1,000,000.

In America, 1 to 700 or 800.

From each \$1 given for Christian work, 2 cents are given to missions.

"One cent a day from all the Christians in the world would amount to \$100,000,000 in a year, and one in fifty of the young men and women in the Colleges would provide the messengers. At the outside, in three years time, (allowing time for collecting funds, studying foreign languages, etc.,) every man, woman and child would have the message."