

the Indian newspapers certain persons trying to ridicule the idea of these 'ignorant savages' understanding the deep mysteries of religion. They overlook the fact that it is not the deep mysteries that save, but Jesus Himself." These hilly and salubrious regions of Santhal abound in great mineral and vegetable wealth. The German missionaries live and dwell with the Santhals as one of themselves, working with them, and so civilizing and elevating them in the social scale. The great upland country of Chotta Nagpore, where there are now thousands of Kholes and Santhals who have

embraced Christianity, can easily be reached through the Damuda Valley, in which is the great coal field of Ranigunge, in about nine or ten hours from the flat plains of Bengal, by the Chord line of railway from Calcutta.

What we require for this mission field are such evangelists as Mr. Andrew Campbell. Many young men are now most willing to go out and take up the Cross, deny themselves for Christ's sake, and advance His kingdom, but the means of paying their passage and equipping and sending them forth are wanting. This is all that is requisite.

## Practical Papers.

[A small volume by Dr. W. P. Mackay, Hull, called GRACE AND TRUTH, lies on our table. There is perhaps no practical treatise of the present day that has done more good, and that has received warmer welcome from earnest preachers as being helpful to them in their work. Mr. Moody says of it, "I take great pleasure in putting it into the hands of all those who have doubts, and I find it soon scatters them all. I think it should be circulated by thousands, thrown about the world like Autumn leaves; and if I live I will try to get it into the hands of every minister in America. I cannot tell the good that it has done me personally." "It is," says Mr. Spurgeon, "a most useful production, full of gospel truth, dropping with it, in fact, like the honey-comb with honey." We will try to make room month by month for a few of its chapters. But we would advise our readers to get it for themselves, which can be done, at a small cost. Our copy, which has come by post, is the cheap shilling edition, to be had, we should suppose, from Canadian booksellers. Ed. C. C. M.]

### DO YOU FEEL YOUR SINS FORGIVEN ?

#### *Our Assurance.*

Do you *feel* that your sins are all forgiven ?

'Indeed I do not ; but I *know* they are.'

'Now, I cannot understand that. How can any one know it?'

'If you had wronged me, and I told you that I forgave you, would you not know it?'

'Most certainly ; but how can you say that God ever told you that He forgave you? Did you just feel at a certain time something that you thought was God's voice, inwardly telling you that your sins were pardoned?'

'I certainly did not.'

'Then how can it be? I have tried to get converted as hard as any man could ; I have prayed for grace, for strength, for the pardon of my sins, and for the Holy Spirit, and I do not yet feel any difference, and I never could feel as I have heard some men say they have.'

'I quite understand you ; I was for years in the same condition.'

'Then how did you get out of it? I know all about the plan of salvation, about the work of Christ, and the necessity of the Spirit ; that we must be justified by grace through faith alone without the works of the law ; that the promises are almost certainly secure to them that are in Christ ; but how am I ever to know whether I am in Him or not?'