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—*Gospel in all Lands.*

#### Mission Work in the Centre of Africa.

A few years ago the maps of Africa consisted of a coast line, the coast country for some distance back more or less clearly marked, and a great blank central space, called "unexplored territory," across which were drawn, at random, two or three rivers, and a ridge known as the "Mountains of the Moon," which were about as intelligently located as the mountains in the Moon.

There David Livingstone found his way and gave his life for Africa. Aroused, by his death, to a sense of the importance of the work he had performed, Scotland, six years ago, resolved to have a monument to his memory, not of gold, or silver, or brass, or iron, or clay, but a "MISSION" in Central Africa, to be called "The Livingstonia Mission." The progress made and the blessings already flowing from that undertaking are thus described in the *Illustrated Missionary News*:

"The Livingstonia Mission on Lake Nyassa has now been five years in existence. During these five years it has cost £21,000, a large sum, but one which Scotland gladly gave not only in memory of one of her

noblest sons, and to accomplish the object dearest to his heart, but for Christ's sake and the gospel's.

What is the result of this expenditure?

The difficult work of pioneering and founding the mission has been accomplished, a noble waterway of 800 miles into the heart of Africa (with the exception of a short portage of 65 miles) has been opened up from the coast to the head of Lake Nyassa, and can be traversed in about three weeks, including stoppages.

A slave trade across the lake, which destroyed annually more than 100,000 natives, has been stopped by the presence of the mission steamer 'Ilala' on its waters, *the slave trade has been abolished* in the Portuguese territory, through which the mission on the lake communicates with the coast.

The Chimyanja language has been reduced to writing, and considerable progress has been made in the translation of the new Testament, so that the Gospel of Mark will soon be printed. A grammar and vocabulary of the language has been published in Scotland, over 100 children are on the roll of the school, and their attendance is very regular. Daily and weekly services are held with the adults, and the renewing influence of the grace of God has been manifested in many hearts and lives.

The women attend the services respectably clothed, and have learned to make dresses for themselves, and other household industries, together with habits of cleanliness and modesty, which were foreign to their nature formerly. The native young men have acquired many industrial arts, and can make furniture, bricks, etc., and even work the engines of the 'Ilala' under the supervision of the white man. The medical work of the mission has won great favor with the natives, who come from long distances to be healed.

The annual cost of the mission on its evangelistic, educational, and industrial sides is about £3000 a year.