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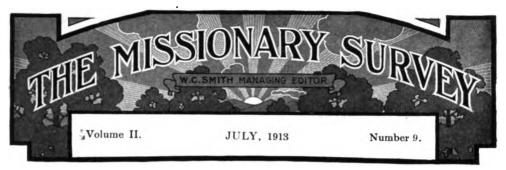


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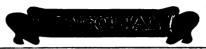
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THE MISSIONARY SURVEY SEEKS AN INTRODUCTION

E DO not propose to be a "wall flower." We were born for circulation and circulate we must; it is our life. As a wall flower we would pine and die. As a medium of information, finding its way into the homes of the Church, we will live and grow—we will be more beautiful and more useful as we multiply friends and subscribers.

More than that: we will make you more beautiful and useful, too, because by contact with these pages you will know more about what your beloved Church, in the Master's name, is attempting and accomplishing. You will therefore, glow with the inspiration of knowing and you will have an intelligent interest—a sympathetic interest—in the great movement to bring the world into subjection to Christ.

No world movement can be sustained by emotion.

Facts are the fuel which feed the fires of Missionary enthusiasm and effort.

What we need is, not so much exhortation, but demonstration. Mission study is demonstration. Mission study to be effective, should include both the Principle and Facts of Missions. These are the two piers upon which rests the bridge that will put you across the great river of ignorance about Missions—the Principle and the Facts.

The Principles of Missions you will find in your Bible. See Mark 16:15.

The Facts of Missions of the past come to us through Missionary books and biographies.

But equally inspiring, and of even more practical value, are the reports which come from your missionaries on the field, at home and abroad, from month to month.

Of more practical value, because they deal with this generation, which is the generation you are trying to save and the only one you can save. It is too late to do anything for past generations and the Lord of the Harvest will raise up others to do His will for the next generation. The present one is your task—your opportunity—your privilege.

No earthly power can take from this generation of Christians the priceless privilege of extending the Gospel to the present generation of unbelievers. God may take the privilege from us if we are careless of it.

THE MISSIONARY SURVEY is the voice of your representatives on the field, calling back to you the news of the battle. The magazine is your courier coming back to tell you how fares the fighter on the firing line. It tells you something about the strength of the enemy and the prospects, from a human point of view, of overthrowing him. It tells you of the difficulties encountered by your fighting substitute at the front, enabling you to intelligently pray for him and, therefore, more earnestly and sympathetically.

And what about this praying? Oh, the poverty of ignorance shown in some of our prayers! Who was it spoke of the "missionary plank" in the elder's prayer at Wednesday night service being "worn

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THE CROSS OF CHRIST MAKES EVEN THIS EASY

ANABEL MAJOR NISBET.

OMING home from school yesterday
I passed the home of a Christian,
where a five-months'-old baby boy
had died that morning, I thought I would
stop a moment and say a word of comfort to the poor mother. Now in Korea
if a baby is born dead or dies of any contagious disease it is wrapped up in a piece
of straw and hung in a tree, for the "Honorable Spirits" are angry, and it cannot be
laid to rest in the ground. Even when the
little bodies are buried they are often just
wrapped in straw and put in shallow hole,
and straw built up over them.

When I entered this home I found the mother kneeling on one side of the little white coffin and the father on the other. The father had made a little wooden box and the mother had neatly covered it with plain, cheap white domestic, across and almost covering the top was a large cross made of bright red Korean paper. Mr. Yunn, the pastor, came in, we sang a song and had a prayer, and the little box

was put in a "jikky" (a kind of basket arrangement that a man carries on his back) and the coolie started to a Christian cemetery accompanied by the father and uncles of the little boy; as we watched them pass out of sight the mother turned to me with tears streaming down her face and said, "Oh, Pouin, the cross of Christ makes even this easy." All night long I contrasted the hope in that mother's tone with the hopless wailing of a heathen mother I heard out on the hills crying aloud in bitter anguish for one whom she had no hope of meeting again.

Oh, Christian mothers of America, the cross of Christ has made many things easy for you, as you stand by the graves of your own loved ones and see the "stars shine through your cypress trees" pointing to a glorious resurrection, can't you love more, pray more, give more for the women who know Him not.

Mokpo, Korea, March 6, 1913.

BIBLE STUDY IN KOREA

REV. S. DWIGHT WINN.

N ACCORDANCE with my "New Year resolution" to do my part in keeping you in closer touch with the work of our station, I am sending this second letter so soon after the first one.

Interest for the past month has centered in the Bible study classes for men and women. Mention has been made in articles from our mission of the poor crops last fall and of the consequent dire poverty, almost amounting to a famine in some sections. Perhaps in no section has this been felt more than in the Chunju territory. Owing to these conditions it was feared that the attendance on our classes would not be large; for when a man or woman comes in to these classes not only the expense of the journey, in many cases a very long one, but

rice enough for the ten days' stay has to be provided for.

It was another instance, however, of lack of sufficient faith, for in spite of these conditions between 300 and 350 men came in, and to the woman's class a week later 100 women!

The men's class was taught in five grades; Mr. Tate, Dr. Reynolds, Mr. McCutchan and Mr. Clark being in charge of four classes, while Mr. Kim. the new pastor of the West Gate Church, taught the other. Unusual zeal and earnestness characterized the classes, one of the teachers referred to the ten days' study as "a mountain-top experience."

From the first we "new missionaries" have been impressed, encouraged—yes, and rebuked by the way in which the