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HOW TO MAKE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

All of our people want to have a happy Christmas. There are some people who fail to get it, but it can be noticed that those who do most for others are generally the ones who enjoy the season best. If we simply live for ourselves to see what we can get, we fail of the goal, but when we go in to try to make others happy, we ourselves get much joy. God has in His wisdom arranged that those who give the most can get the most. It may not be of money, but of joy and peace in the heart, and these are better than gold.

For a number of years past our sisters have been making an offering at Christmas time for the winning of China to Christ. Year after year their offerings have increased, and also the cause in China has gone gloriously forward. There probably never has been a time when the outlook in that great country was as marvelously hopeful as it is to-day. Those who will read this copy of the Journal will see additional indications of a blessed advance. The nation so long old, is putting on new life, and is coming to a new position among the nations of earth. Now is our great opportunity.

How are we to get a large Christmas offering? There are some sisters who will give good amounts—perhaps \$100 or even more—but we need many to give something. In planning your Christmas offerings could you not arrange to take a part of what you have set aside for that happy occasion, and give it to your Lord? We believe that the homes will be happier if one-tenth or a fourth or even a half of what would otherwise be spent for Christmas presents and feasts would be set

apart to send the Bread of Life to the perishing millions in China. Let the fathers in the home join with the mothers in celebrating this occasion. Oftentimes a consecrated, godly woman will be glad to give if she knows that her husband will approve of her act. We suggest to husbands who read these lines, that they help to make their wives happier and their children better by encouraging a gift for the Christmas offering. We suggest to the pastors that they speak of this matter in their churches, and that it be understood throughout the congregation that everybody will join in the Christmas offering for China this year. Let the boys and girls realize something of the pleasure of giving for the Lord's work. We could write much on the subject, but we hope all that is necessary is to bring this matter to the attention of our people. Our sisters will be glad to give. They will appreciate the sympathetic co-operation of the pastors and laymen.

We are very much gratified with the responses which have come to the suggestion which we made sometime ago for thank-offerings. A number of brethren and sisters have written to us and have either enclosed checks or promised thankofferings for special blessings from God. There is no reason why we should cease making thank-offerings to our Heavenly Father. He is blessing us in many ways. What better way to show that we appreclate what He has done than to bring an offering and lay it at His feet. God loves this lost world. Though people may often find fault and rail at missionaries, yet after all, God loves them, and He loves the work in which they are engaged. It would be a blessed thing if each one of us in closing this year would "count our blessings one by one," and then bring an

offering to God which would show our appreciation of His watchcare and supply of our many needs. Think about this and talk to others about it, and act.

Chinese have never ceased planning and

THE GREAT REVOLUTION IN CHINA.

MISSIONARY E. T. SNUGGS.

The rebellion in active progress in China as these lines are being written is the most momentous and far-reaching in

its effects of all the rebellions that have occurred during the last two and half centuries in that land, for it is not only an outward movement for the overthrow of the usurper. The most vital point is the inward yearning of a mighty people for a better day.

The movement is not directed against foreigners in any sense, and so far no violence has been done to missionaries of our own or other denominations. Danger

to foreigners can only come from rowdyism which the rebels have promised to restrain and up to date seem to have accomplished.

The Taiping rebellion of 1850-1864 had for its chief object the overthrow of the present Manchu dynasty and but for the foreign aid given to the Imperial Government at that time. chiefly in the perof General Gordon, there is no doubt it might have succeeded in its Though the aim. Chinese were de-

feated in their plan, their ultimate goal has never been abandoned. Since that period millions of

working, sometimes openly, but more often secretly, to throw off a foreign yoke and



CHINESE OFFICIALS AND GENTRY. (Members of the Anti-Oplum Society at Shiu Hing)

restore authority in government to themselves. The Secret Societies of China are legion. Two, the "Traid" formed many years since, and the "Kap Ming Tong" of recent date, are well known in South China and other parts of the empire to stand for the overthrow The "Kap of the present dynasty. Ming Tong" is also generally believed to represent the views of Dr. Sun Yat Seng and his followers, who strongly advocate the establishment of a Republic. It is a significant and interesting fact that Hung. the founder and leader of the Taiping rebellion, and Dr. Sun Yat Seng, a leader of to-day, have shown their interest in Christianity in that both were applicants for baptism; the former applying to a former missionary of our own Board, and the latter to an Episcopalian missionary. Both failed in their request.

If the reports already received from China are correct, the revolutionary area is already larger than that covered by the



A MODERN CHINESE SOLDIER.

Taiping rebellion. Ten provincial capitals

the Occident. Every good, and perhaps

important many other cities are in the hands of represents the rebels; this territory whose people number many millions. Many other large cities as Peking, the capital, Chefoo, Tientsin, are reported to be wavering in their allegiance to the present govern-A vital and important ment. phase of the present movement is that it is not confined to any one class-the peasant, artisan, student, scholar, merchant, soldier, sailor, official, statesman, diplomat, high and low, rich and poor, learned and ignorant, male and female, Buddhist. Taoist. Confucianist, Mohammadan and Christian seem sick of the old regime and clamoring are for radical changes to bring in "new ideals which may be broadly described as the American spirit of democracy, human rights, fair play and equal opportunity."

What has brought about this great movement that seems on the eve of being realized? It is safe to say there have been various agencies at work. First, the

cry, now two and half centuries old of the pure Chinese against the Manchus, who



YOUNG CHINA. Tong" of our own (What Will His Eyes time. Second, the contact in modern times of the Orient with

in 1664 A. D. set up their dynasty. supplanting the Chinese Mings. "Down with the Manchus" has been the watch-word of secret political societies from the "White Lilies" in the seventeenth century to the "Triads," "Swords" "Kap Ming and Tong" of our own time. Second, the



VETERANS OF SOUTH CHINA.

(Front Row, Dr. and Mrs. Simmons. Back Row, Dr. and Mrs. Graves and Miss Whilden. They Represent a Total of 200 Years of Service in China. They Have Helped to Bring in the New Day.)

evil, influence that the West has brought to bear upon the East has had its part in making enlightened China dissatisfied with itself and kindling a longing for the highest ideals and best material things of the Christian nations of the West. Third, proclaiming the "Glad Christianity Tidings," the value and preciousness of the individual soul and its responsibility to God, and its duty to the individual and the State, thus teaching a better hope, a fuller and surer way of life, certainty after death, higher and purer ideals than those found in the teachings of Confucius, Tan or Buddha. Fourth, and perhaps the most powerful of all, the intercession in all ages of God's children, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is done in heaven." This prayer is surely

being answered in the upheaval in China to-day, for whatever may be the outcome of the present struggle, religious liberty is assured, and that means much for the Kingdom of God.

What does it mean for China? It means that through much tribulation and shedding of blood she is now finally and fully turning her face from looking backward and breaking away forever from a hoary past, to looking forward to all that is brightest,

nations need right now to think and act wisely, as the policy adopted is vital to the weal or the woe of the entire white race.

What does it mean to Southern Baptists? If the former conclusions are true, and I firmly believe that in the main they are, Southern Baptists are now facing one of the greatest privileges, grandest opportunities and most stupendous tasks that ever came to the children of God.

The Chinese people at bottom are democratic in principle and practice. We hold doctrines that are suitable to a The already atdemocracy. tained success of Baptist work in the various missions in China prove that Baptist principles and ideals are second to none in accomplishing the emancipation of that great peo-Southern Baptists have the means to send every approved worker that is ready to go, money enough also to equip fully every department of our work.

A crisis is on in China for our Lord and Master Jesus Christ. Shall we be found faithful to our trust, duty and privilege that we have in Him? Who will say, "Here am I! Send me! Send me!" for all "can give, or go, or pray."

Richmond, Va., November 10, 1911.



THE CHEUNG FAMILY.

(Next to the Mother in the Centre is the Secretary of the South China Home Mission Society.)

hopeful and good of the present and future. It also means better material comforts for all as there will be a vast increase in the home and foreign trade and improved fereign relations.

What does it mean to the world? No one can fully forecast its influence. It will effect the whole human family. The

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

How Many Shares Will You Take?

Many of the churches are doing nobly. One consecrated layman writes: "Our Committee on Foreign Missions last night decided to try to raise six shares or \$600. Besides this the women of our church have been asked by the women's societies to raise \$600 which I think they will do. That will mean \$1,200 from our church, which is not a bad showing for a membership of 225, over 75 of whom are virtually dead wood." This is certainly glorious. What

can we say to lay on the hearts of all the churches the importance of acting promptly. We believe that in this way the entire amount necessary for this year's work will be subscribed before the New Year. What a burden would thus be lifted from the hearts of the Board and the missionaries. How many shares will your church take?

THE JOURNAL CAMPAIGN.

A pastor in North Carolina says: "I am

much interested in the Journal campaign for a 100,000 subscribers." This pastor shows his faith by his work and clearly indicates by his example one way in which this campaign can be made a complete success. He sends a list of twenty-four names with this message: "These were secured without any trouble. At the close of the service I took three minutes to tell the congregation the importance of reading the Journal if they would serve intelligently, and that it must go into every family. Then I canvassed the membership and met with only one refusal. Only about half of the church were out. I expect to put it into the remaining homes later." We wonder how many pastors there are who could do as this pastor has done and with as little effort. A three minutes' talk and a canvass of the congregation-result, twenty-four subscribers. We will be glad to send to any church representative or pastor, subscription envelopes for making a canvass of this kind. Our campaign is going forward gloriously. We have been receiving about 1,000 per week. Again we say, Let us make it 100,000!

SOLVING THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

There is evident wide-spread interest in the question of tithing. While we do not urge it as a matter of law we believe with all our hearts that the general practice of giving one-tenth as a matter of love and gratitude would solve our financial problem. In this connection the following testimony of a successful pastor will be interesting:

"I have been tithing two years and would not consider giving it up under any conditions whatever. I never knew the joy of giving until I began tithing. God has greatly blessed me in these two years. He has prospered me and all my work and these two years have been the happiest of my life. Your last issue is the best of all. Do continue to keep tithing before our people. It will solve the financial problem. It has solved the financial problem here. We are increasing our gifts to all objects, never mention money and always have a balance in the bank. We have only a

dozen tithers. But by preaching and distributing literature on tithing, we are getting recruits in our tithers league."

Notes of Interest.

Rev. J. C. Owen and family from North China have arrived in this country. They are now in the West.

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The W. M. U. has issued an exceedingly attractive and useful "Prayer Calendar for 1912." What power would come to all our work, if the missionaries and other workers could be remembered in faithful prayer according to this calendar. Price, 15 cents, postpaid. Woman's Missionary Union, Literature Department, 15 West Franklin Street, Baltimore, Md.

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We have received a small book, entitled "Ten Reasons for Tithing," by Rev. Henry W. Fancher, Pastor Baptist Tabernacle, Mobile, Ala. It is strong, clear and scriptural and deserves a wide circulation. Its teachings, if adopted by our people generally, would solve all our financial problems. We commend it heartily to pastors and laymen. Price, 50 cents. It may be obtained from the author.

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By the time that this Journal comes from the press almost all of our State Conventions will have met. We hope that they will all be able to report no debt. The year has been a good one with the different State Boards, and our people have prospered financially, and their contributions ought to be liberal and large. Now our people should praise the Lord with thank-offerings and prepare to start the new year with earnest purpose to glorify Him to the uttermost part of the earth.

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We hope that the Christmas Offerings will come from hearts full of gratitude to God for His continued blessings during the year, and that the sisters will make the most generous offering which they have ever presented to the Lord on a Christmas occasion. Let each sister remember that preparation ought to be made for the offering. Pray over the matter and

carefully plan for your gift. You prepare for the presents which you give to friends. Think and prepare for the offering which you make to your Lord.

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Rev. T. T. Gooch, of Oakland, Miss., expresses his interest in an article published in the last Journal with reference to the Woman's Missionary Society organized in 1814, and sends us the following clipping which was taken from Service, November, 1908:

"We sometimes think our Women's missionary societies are of modern origin, but in the home of Dr. Stephen Gano, in 1806, the Rhode Island Baptist Mite Society for missions was organized, and has continued until this day. This was eight years before the noted Triennial Convention in Philadelphia, one of whose constituents was Pastor Gano of this celebrated church."

The question arises: Was this a Woman's Society? Who can tell us?

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At the time this article is written, the Foreign Mission Board has received about \$5,000 more this year than we had gotten at the same time last year. This, of course, includes the gifts made on the promises at the Convention in Jackson-ville. Any one can readily see that our indebtedness has not been met. On the other hand, we have been pressing forward and have a tremendous amount to meet between now and the first of next May. Our Board is burdened over the situation, but we are not discouraged. Under God we have our faces set to the front, and

by His help we must go forward. We most earnestly ask our people to join in prayer for God's guidance and blessing that He will open the hearts of the people, and that there may be such large, liberal giving as has never been known among us. We have the means. The question is—Will we give up a small portion of it for the advancement of the Master's Kingdom in all the world? We ask each and every reader of these lines to offer earnest prayers to God and help in this time of responsibility and opportunity.

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We record with sorrow the death of John Pruitt, the son of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Pruitt, Chefoo, China. This young man had been in this country for several years getting his education, and was a fine specimen of noble young manhood. He was taken sick several weeks ago with typhoid fever and died in the hospital at Akron, Ohio, October 24th. Our hearts go out in deep sympathy to the afflicted loved ones.

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Dr. John H. Eager, our former missionary to Italy, who is now supplying the pulpit of the Grace Street Baptist Church of this city is planning to conduct another party to the Orient, including Egypt, Palestine, Syria, Turkey and Italy. Any of our readers who are thinking of taking such a trip, could not do better than to go with him, as he has had large experience in such work, and lived abroad nearly twenty years. Full particulars can be had by addressing him, 306 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Md.

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MISSION STUDY NOTES.

Mission Study Goes Merrily on.

We are in the midst of the mission study season and it cheers our hearts greatly to see how the study of missions is being undertaken by such large numbers of our people. In all forms of organizations in the churches, including the Sunday-school, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U. and other societies,

the Colleges and Theological Seminaries, the classes are being formed. No one can estimate how far-reaching will be the consequences of this study work during this season. It is a subject over which those who are interested in missions should pray earnestly that the guidance of our Father should direct the whole movement.

There are yet others who are halting over the matter of organizing classes. Once more, we urge that this matter be undertaken at once. These are golden days of opportunity and blessing for those who will look into the great matters pertaining to the spread of the Master's Kingdom to the ends of the earth.

MISSIONARY SCRAP-BOOK.

"A good way to do, is to make a mission scrap-book, having a certain number of leaves for China, Japan, etc. Then collect pictures of missionaries, schools, hospitals, etc., of those countries and put them in with bits of information attached—also maps, charts, etc. You will be surprised to find how quickly you can collect the material. Get 'The Foreign Mission Journal,' 'Our Home Field,' 'Our Mission Fields,' etc. In a very short time, you will have attractive material and information. Set the girls to work to help you collect. Have one to draw, we will say, a map of China and locate ten hospitals, then special work of girls for foreign missions; another to locate mission stations and schools." DEEPENING INTEREST.

"Our Mission Study Class has completed the book, 'Southern Baptist Foreign Missions.' All the members agree that we have had an interesting time studying together. We met Wednesdays at 6 P. M. when most of the girls came from work in office or store. We had a simple lunch at my house, studied for an hour and then all went to prayer meeting.

"It was gratifying to see the interest throughout. Several good papers were written and one of them was read at our Church Rally.

"The girls say they have come in closer touch with our missionaries and their fields because of this study. We have realized more than ever the difficulties to be encountered and the wonderful faith and courage of our noble missionaries.

"The class proposes after Christmas to take up 'Sunrise in the Sunrise Kingdom.'"

LECTURES IN THE COLLEGES.

Arrangements are about completed for the delivery of the courses of lectures which we have been delivering in the various colleges for several years. We have a superb list of pastors who are helping the secretaries in the delivery of these lectures. The plan is for each lecturer to deliver three lectures upon foreign missions. The subject of foreign missions will be, in this way, put before the students in the most vivid and commanding way. The purpose is to lay upon the hearts of the students the claims of foreign missions and also to help these students relate themselves to the great cause. Of course, many will volunteer to become missiona ries-many more will not-but every student, whether he become a missionary in foreign lands, or labors at home, should maintain a very vital relationship to the cause. The effort is made in these lectures to help the students see clearly and embrace devotedly this subject, whether they labor at home or abroad.

The following list contains the names of those who will help us in the delivery of these lectures this year:

Rev. T. C. Skinner, D. D.; Rev. Z. T. Cody, D. D.; Rev. C. W. Daniel, D. D.; Rev. T. W. O'Kelley, D. D.; Rev. M. Ashby Jones, D. D.; Rev. W. W. Landrum, D. D.; Rev. W. J. E. Cox, D. D.; Rev. J. L. White, D. D.; Rev. F. S. Alderman, D. D.; Prof. A. T. Robertson, D. D.; Rev. H. W. Provence; Rev. H. W. Virgin, D. D.; Rev. W. M. Vines, D. D.; Rev. W. A. Borum, D. D.; Rev. F. Gibson, D. D.; Rev. Forrest Smith, D. D.; Rev. J. F. Norris, D. D., and Rev. S. J. Porter, D. D.

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HOW OUR YOUNG MISSIONARIES WORK.

ALICE HUEY.

I take advantage of this busy season for a chat with the readers of the Journal. The Chinese harvest time is our oppor-

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tunity to write and to study the language.

I am working on my third year's course
of study. This winter when it is too cold

to visit much I hope to finish it. We have a four years' course, but only two years are compulsory.

After one has studied diligently for two years, it takes two more years out among the people to be able to use that acquired This has been an unusual year for heavy rains. Much damage has been done to mission property. In some sections the farmers have lost all their crops. The grain is still in the field, covered in water, no chance to get it out. Here around

Laichowfu it is not quite so serious. The grain is on the threshing floor as you see in this picture. There are the wigwams of stalks inside of which the watchmen sleep at night. There sits a woman beating out grain. Often we go round to the threshing floors and chat with the women. It is not



CHINESE THRESHING FLOOR

knowledge with any degree of confidence.

It is wonderful how many nice phrases we store up in our minds then when we come face to face with some dear old woman and go to our store-house to bring out treasures, both new and old, we find—well, if we find anything at all, it is unintelligible to our hearer.

Just then the Bible woman takes the nice bookish expression and translates it into the vernacular. Then light comes — the "dear old woman" says. "O when you talk I understand. When she talks not one bit do I understand." Happy is the missionary who can take such punctures with a smiling face. There is a proverb which says, "Practice makes perfect." That is not literally true of the missionary and the

Chinese language, but we do make some progress.

the most satisfactory time to talk to them, however.

A few weeks later they will have garnered the last grain, stalk, blade and leaf, gleaned the last fragment from the field and pulled up the last root out of the ground. Then they will have about three months' comparative leisure before they



A TAOIST PRIEST.

begin preparations for the new year. We are anxiously waiting for that time to

come so that we may go again to the country. We make a special point of visiting the Christian women and teaching them, at the same time we have abundant opportunities to talk to the unsaved. My heart goes out to the one lonely Christian standing in the midst of heathenism and strife. She can't read her Bible—no wonder she doesn't grow—yet she is one of God's own little ones. In some way He will prepare her for her place with Him. I believe He is calling us who have the light to go to these lonely ones and lead them onward and upward.

It may seem to some in the homeland that our mission ought to be past the stage when the missionary needs to itinerate O! that God would give us faith to believe that not only this man, but many more like him will turn unto the true God and lead their followers into the new way.

Mrs. Lin, our Bible woman, told a temple-goer that it is wrong to go to the temple and burn paper and incense—meaning, of course, that it is wrong to worship idols instead of the true God. Later they met again. The temple-goer said, "I no longer go to the temple. I just go out on the street, draw an outline of the Pusa and burn incense on that outline. You say it is wrong to go to the temple, so I don't go any more."

She got part of the lesson, it is wrong to go to the temple and support the

priests in lies of sin, but they know no better way. As one old woman said, "I thought I was doing righteou ness." They know in a vague way that there is a Supreme Being, but they do not know Him as a loving Father and Sin Bearer.

Late one afternoon Mrs. Lin and I
were walking home
from a visit in the
west suburb of the
city. We walked a
little way with a

working woman going home from her work in the city. She had been washing all day, for renumeration she received two meals and three hundred cash, about five cents in gold. She looked so tired and care-worn. We talked with her until our ways parted. We told her about Jesus, the Saviour from sin and sorrow. I shall never forget the look that came over that stolid old face. As she trudged on towards home, she said, partially to herself, "In all my life I never dreamed there is a Burden Bearer like that." It may be we shall never see her again to tell her more about this wonderful Sav-



STARTING ON AN ITINERATING TOUR. (Bible Women on Donkeys.)

and sow seed. There are great numbers who cannot come to us. Somebody must go to them. For several reasons, I believe it is better to hold classes out where the people live.

This Taoist priest is the "presiding elder" of the north and east country. He has a far greater membership under his care than our pastor has. His members are those same women we meet when we go out to their villages. This priest is the object of many prayers. The men of our station go occasionally to the mountain where he lives. He is exceedingly kind and cordial.

iour. We can only sow the seed, trusting Him to give the increase. His word is not returning unto Him void, but is accomplishing the salvation of many souls round about here. If we will do our duty, many more will be saved and that right soon. Pray that each saved one may be faithful.

Pray often for your missionaries. Laichowfu, China.

A NEW TRAINING SCHOOL.

JAMES M. JUSTICE.

Last year the Board granted us an appropriation sufficient to begin in a limited way a training school in Buenos Aires for the native helpers. Accordingly, we began work in February with six men and now our class has grown to nine, one of the young men coming from Rosario. I am sending you herewith a picture of the class and teachers.

After seven months' experience with

with the theological work we shall be compelled to give them both academic and collegiate training. Upon investigation I find that our Rio brethren and the Methodists here in Buenos Aires are giving their theological students just such a course as I mention above.

Realizing the great need for more work along this line, the Mission voted unanimously at our annual conference the

first of this month to lay out a regular course of study and put our training school on a more substantial basis. Recognizing the absolute necessity of academic and colwork the legiate Mission has asked me to devote my entire time to the training school. The three Buenos Aires pastors are to help n the work. Brother Sowell was elected to teach Systematic Theology: Brother

Spight, Old Testament: Brother Logan, Church History, and I am to teach New Testament and be in charge of the Academic department. Therefore, I am not asking for an opening as I otherwise should have done.

I felt before coming to Argentina that I could do more for the evangelization of the country by teaching the native ministers than by dedicating my life entirely to preaching. Of course, I shall continue to preach a good deal, but I am not to be



TRAINING CLASS AT BUENOS AIRES.

these young men in the class room we all see the absolute necessity of better preparation on their part. As a rule, they have had neither high school nor college training before coming to us. Hence, if Argentina is to be evangelized through the native ministry we must prepare them for their work. It will not be sufficient to teach them the Bible, Theology, Homiletics, etc., for their minds must be trained in order that they may be able to understand and appreciate these subjects. Along

responsible for any preaching point. I appreciate the confidence the brethren of the Mission repose in me by asking me to dedicate my entire time to this work. Before coming out I had several years' experience in school work, partly as teacher

and for four years as County Superintendent of Public Instruction. With joy I shall turn to good account here all I gained there in the way of experience in the class room.

Buenos Aires.

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IMPORTANT FACTS CONCERNING CHINA.

J. CAMPBELL WHITE.

China and the Chinese people make a profound impression upon one as he comes into close contact with them. Industrious, peaceful, patient, patriotic, persistent, prolific, and with natural resources beyond computation, the Chinese nation is bound to come into a primary place among the nations of the earth.

Not only is opium being prohibited to officials, but to the people generally, and about four-fifths of the production of opium in China itself has already been stopped.

There are now over 42,000 modern schools in China, with over one and a half millions of students attending them. Those who have watched the development of these schools most closely for the past-five years, declare that the educational progress has been truly phenomenal.

The following five reasons are given by a prominent Chinese official for the unique influence of America and Americans in China:

- 1. The refusal of the United States to participate in the opium traffic or the Chinese cooly trade.
- 2. The absence of any desire to encroach on the territorial rights of China. This is in striking contrast with the policy of Russia, France, Germany, Great Britain and Japan.
- 3. America's action contending for the integrity of China.
- 4. The remission by America of a part of the Boxer indemnity.
- 5. America's willingness, in general, to give China a square deal.

All told, there are now about seven hundred Chinese students in America. It is impossible to estimate the influence which these men will ultimately exert in the Far East. Their presence furnishes an inspiring opportunity for Christian influence. Quite a number of them have already been led into the Christian life. They should be introduced to the Christian home-life of America, than which there is probably no more impressive exhibition of the uplifting power of Christianity, especially to an Oriental. It is difficult to realize how far-reaching may be the influence of a single act of thoughtful consideration for these men. One of the most active and useful Christian laymen in the whole of Japan to-day traces his sense of personal responsibility to a single interview with the late Mr. Robert McBurney, of New York, who approached him as a stranger at the close of a church service in New York and showed a genuine interest in him. Though he never met Mr. McBurney again, this Japanese layman has been going on doing personal work with others year after year, as the result of the lesson he learned that day, and many men have been led to Christ through his influence.

There are now in China some 4,600 missionaries of evangelical churches. According to the best consensus of judgment of leaders in different parts of the empire, this number should be at least doubled during the next three or four years. Much of the present intellectual awakening of China must be attributed to the direct and indirect influence of Christian missions. Missionaries know the people far more intimately than any other class of foreigners and command their confidence as no other class is ever likely to do.

To pervade China with Christian truth

and life is the most colossal single task ever undertaken by the Christian Church. The quarter of a million converts now gathered are but one of many indications of the tremendous impact which Christianity has already made on this nation. Nothing but infinite power could have produced the results that have already been accomplished. One-fourth of the whole

human race here await the dawn of a new spiritual day. The door was never so wide open as it is now. The Church of our day can plant the Christian banner in every community of this vast empire, if it will. I know of no greater opportunity for the investment either of one's life or one's possessions than in the spiritual emancipation and uplift of the Chinese Empire.

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WORDS OF CHEER FROM THE HARVEST FIELDS.

THE HAK-KA NEW TESTAMENT. Rev. J. R. Saunders in a recent letter says:

Mrs. Saunders, Miss Sandlin and I came back to Ying-tak in August soon after I arranged for the printing of our long-needed Hak-ka New Testament. We hope this greatly desired book will be ready for distribution in a few months. I have given much time to this work this summer, in fact, this year. I will be glad indeed when it is all ready for the press. Much time was given to the work before I left for my furlough. It takes a great deal of time to get any Colloquial New Testament, ready for publication.

At this time I am exceedingly busy in helping with our autumn class. Dr. Greene, Miss North and the head Chinese teacher in the Graves Theological Seminary are here helping in the class, doing most of the teaching. The class is the largest I have ever seen in this field, almost two hundred in attendance, quite an increase over our spring class. The brethren bring most encouraging reports from the different fields of increasing congregations and many inquirers.

May our Lord move on the hearts of our people in the homeland so that they will with increasing joy so join us in their prayers and gifts that we, working together with the Lord and them can meet the wonderful opportunities which He has graciously given unto us.

Dr. Graves and a Great Class.

Dr. R. H. Graves sends the following words of cheer from Canton:

We have just closed the best session

we have had of our autumn class. We had some 400 in attendance, and the spiritual impression seems to be great. My part was to give six lectures on Psalms. I used as a text-book a little introduction to the Psalms I prepared several years ago. I had some sixty men in my class—mission workers and a few Theological students. The attendance was good and the attention encouraging.

We had an ordination last Sunday which shows the wide-spread influence of the Canton work. One of our former Theological students, Bro. Cheung-Mass Chiw, was ordained as pastor of Chinese churches in Deonerara, British Gulana. They sent the passage money for him and his wife and asked for his ordination here before leaving. One of our number is working among the Chinese in Rangoon, Burma, and another, Bro. Tung Chak, is pastor of the Cantonese Church in Shanghai. We have several among the Chinese in America. The Cantonese are widely spread in various lands, and we rejoice to have witnesses for the gospel among them.

Our Seminary opens to-morrow, and we hear of several new applicants for admission.

We are all as well as usual. I am not very strong, but am at my place in the Seminary. I preach very little on account of my voice, and my eyesight gives me much trouble. Of course, this is to be expected at my age.

STARTING WELL IN MONTEVIDEO.

Rev. J. C. Quarles, who is opening the

new work in Uruguay in connection with the Argentine Mission, writes:

We have at least gotten our work here under way, and so far I feel encouraged with the outlook. Our crowds have not been large as yet, but what is lacking in quantity, I am sure was made up in quality, as we had in all the services of the opening series a good percentage of serious, intelligent and interested people. There seems to be considerable interest among a number who are attending, especially some fine young men of good families. Although we have been slow in getting the work started here, I believe we are beginning fairly well. I am more and more pleased with the strategic situation of our hall. If we are only given strength and wisdom, there is no reason why our work should not prosper here.

We continue to be pleased with Montevideo. Our health has improved since we crossed the river, and, too, we find our dealings with the people here most pleasant.

A GREAT BAPTIST STATE IN BRAZIL.

Rev. F. M. Edwards sends the following interesting note from Sao Paulo, Brazil:

Our work is moving along very nicely now in the State of Sao Paulo. Since Brother Taylor and Brother Deter have been away I have had practically the entire load to carry, but the Lord has been very good to me in his work. During the past two months we have received close to forty into the different churches for baptism. I have the young men organized into an evangelization committee and thus am relieved of a great deal of the work. They are all very kind to help me. Last week I preached all the week in Campinas. We had fine crowds. Several nights people were turned away for lack of room. I baptized three there. The work there is in fine condition. We are raising funds for a church building. We began about a month ago and have something like four hundred dollars raised. If we can raise the money to buy the lot we can have the building put up and pay for it in monthly payments, a little more per month than we are now paying rent. Don't you think that a good idea?

I see no reason in the world why this should not be made the greatest Baptist State in all Brazil. It is the most developed as to resources and the people have better educational advantages here than in any other State. I have an ambition that it shall take its proper place as a Baptist field.

Joy, HARD WORK, RICH BLESSINGS.

Rev. L. M. Reno writes of great blessings since his return to Brazil:

We were received in royal style when we got back to the field and found that they had cleaned the house and moved in our goods so that everything was in order. It was Sunday night when we disembarked and they had a feast on the table ready for us and a fine celebration in the church.

In general the work went well in our absence. Much of this is due to the faithfulness of Dr. Pinto, the general superintendent of the railroad here in the city and of the faithful pastor in the south of the State.

In July we made a trip of three weeks to the south of the State where the work is being greatly blessed. We had crowded houses all the time. Baptized twenty and in the following week the native pastor baptized twenty-seven. Spent 14 hours by train, 156 miles on muleback, had 36 meetings. On returning spent Saturday and Sunday in the city and started to the Center field. There in twenty days I visited twelve places, 16 hours on train, 225 miles on horseback, 40 meetings, organized two churches and baptized 55 persons. In six weeks we have had 102 baptisms and others await in nearly every church and outstation. God is richly blessing us

We realize your position when the money does not come in, but when will our people realize that a little money invested here is bringing such large results?

A MESSAGE FROM MISS MOON.

Miss Lottie Moon tells of fine progress in her work:

I am happy to report that my schools

are flourishing, both as regards the number of scholars and the attendance. I have a school for boys and young men which has enrolled about forty-six. The students, as a rule, attend with regularity and the spirit of the school is good.

I have five schools for girls and one for women. These are day schools. Three of the day schools for girls are in my home place and the attendance is very good indeed. The three schools number about fifty pupils. Parents like to send here because they feel that their daughters are safe. The girls study finely, some of them, enthusiastically.

One country school for boys, I handed over to Mr. Turner at the beginning of this year. Last year I passed over a boys' day school to Mrs. Adams and it has prospered under her care.

I find time three days in the week to do city visiting. Thus far, I have not been able to do any country work. Vacation is near at hand and possibly I may get out to some of the nearer villages then.

THE HAK-KA THEOLOGICAL TRAINING SCHOOL.

Rev. J. R. Saunders rejoices over the good beginning of this long-needed institution:

Our schools show real advancement in number and in attendance and the work done. Our Training School for men and boys at Ying-tak has had an enrollment of thirty-eight, of this number eight are Theological students, some of whom are

exceptionally bright and promising. We had sixteen volunteers for the ministry in the Hak-ka field this last spring. Only ten of this number were encouraged to study at present. We were not satisfied of their call to the work. We must not lay hands suddenly on any man in China, As much as we need native workers, we still must encourage only those who give good proof of their call by the Master of the Apart from our eight minis-Vineyard. terial students, only a few receive any help in their board and this by our brethren on the field. The rest, 20 odd, pay all their expenses. We have six day schools for boys in the country with an enrollment of about 150.

I am glad indeed to realize that our longfelt need for Theological Training in the Hak-ka field is already a fact to be seen in its embryonic form. We now have eight young men and several more who want to study. We all feel so much more hopeful of our work in the Hak-ka field since we can know our men personally. We will do our work at first in connection with the Graves Seminary in Canton. Simply putting the same course in Hak-ka at Ying-tak and let the most promising men finish in Canton. This may be found to be the best course to pursue permanently. We already have a splendid young Hak-ka preacher who can help us in this work of Theological Training. He is a degree man in Chinese and took our course in the Seminary in Canton. A man whom the Lord must have chosen for our work at Ying-tak.

LETTERS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES.

GLAD TO BE AT HOME AGAIN.

It has been a long time since I wrote you a letter from Pingtu. It is needless to say we are glad to be at home. I do not think that any one ever received a more hearty welcome than we have from both Chinese and Missionaries. It is certainly a pleasure to return home under these circumstances. It is a happy closing of our exceedingly enjoyable furlough.

both in America and Australia. We had a good sea voyage and everything passed off just to our liking until we started inland from Tsingtau. Here, on account of the very heavy floods, Mrs. Sears had to remain nearly two weeks. I started home with a blanket and a few little things not knowing how I was to get there. The first twenty-five miles I found no trouble, because I could go by rail. Then for over

ten miles I found that the river had changed its course and destroyed and washed away the railroad bed. distance I had to walk. While walking I saw several villages that had been washed away entirely. In some places I saw only two or three houses where before the floods there had been over a hundred. The crops had all been destroyed and what had been garnered at home had been washed away. My heart was sad when I saw the condition of things. Many wellto-do farmers became beggars in a day and are now going over the country begging for food. When I got to the Inn where we hire animals I found some and started on the last thirty-five miles. The roads were in a terrible condition-mud and water all the way. The rivers were full and had to be crossed in boats. usually take one day, but this time it took two. After a week I went back after Mrs. Sears. The train was running regularly and we found the roads in better condition. Mrs. Sears was so anxious to get home that she could scarcely wait.

Yesterday we had our helpers' meeting. Most of the helpers came in the day before and gave us a welcome service. It was certainly very kind of them, and we appreciated it very much. We were very glad that the helpers' meeting came so soon after our return. It enabled us to get on to the working order of things much sooner.

I was glad to hear that there were 180 enquirers at all of our churches and outstations. The reports were very encouraging. This year bids fair to be the best we have had in the history of our Pingtu work. We are praying for 500 baptisms. We have already had more than half that number. The floods will hinder our work no little. In one village where we have Christians most all the houses have been washed away. The school building is gone and we have had to move the school two miles away to another village.

The Chinese workers reported a great deal of suffering among the Christians. From one village alone eight families (Christians) have left what once was comfortable homes to beg for a living. If

they have had to start out this early, what will it mean before they can raise another crop? The rain does not stop. Last night we had another heavy rain. If it does not rain any more the people in the low lands will not be able to sow any wheat, so it means that they will not have anything to eat until next fall. In my twenty years' stay in Pingtu I have never seen such a destruction of property and crops. wonder if there is not some one who reads these lines willing to give something to help their starving brother or sister and their children? We will have to do something, but we cannot begin to do what we ought unless we can get help. We ought not to make any distinction between the Christians and the non-Christians in this matter. Every one of you would give something if you could see the situation. I wish that I could describe it so you could understand the exact state these people are in. May we not expect something?

Yours very sincerely,

WM. H. SEARS.

A PLEA FOR PRAYER—DISTRESSING CON-DITIONS.

I am writing this letter to request your special prayers for us and our work and for this great Empire of China. You will remember that last winter you heard much about a great famine in China. famine was in the province next to us and did not directly affect us only in as much as our sympathies went out to the sufferers and our contributions were sent on to help them. But this winter the trouble threatens at our door and in our own province. A few days ago three of our workers, an evangelist and his wife and a colporter, came into my home in a rather distressed condition. saved nothing but the clothes they brought with them and had been in danger of their lives. The trouble which led up to their coming to us in the condition they were in is this: They live in a town, a thriving market town, about fifty miles from Shanghai. The place is our newest or nearly our newest station. The rains have been so incessant that nearly the

whole country around them is flooded, the water having been up into the back part of our chapel. Coming at this time of year the flood endangers the most important crop of the Chinese, their rice. When the people saw their crops beginning to disappear they went to the officials to plead flood as an excuse for being relieved from their taxes. Just what reply was made to them I do not know. Then, as usually happens, the people began to collect together and proceeded to riot. In the town where our chapel is situated it is reported that they destroyed about thirty rice shops, tore up the Self-Government Society's buildings, wrecked some of the official buildings and a Chinese school and destroyed everything in our chapel, which is in a rented house. Everything in the house was destroyed and the clothing of our evangelists torn up and thrown into the river back of the house. It so happened that our evangelist was not at home and so did not meet the worst of it. His wife, nowever, had a narrow escape. Had it not been that a friendly heathen hid her in her house over night there is no telling what would have happened. As it was in trying to escape she fell overboard and received a considerable fright. The colporter came in for some rough handling, but finally succeeded in escaping. The Christians stood by them nobly. One or two especially doing yeoman service in helping them escape. Fortunately, the mob did not seem to want to attack the people who lived there so that the Christians did not suffer as far as I know. The evangelist said that it was reported around that when prayer was made to the idols that the waters might recede, the reply was that since the Self-Government Society and the Christians had taken to running things the idols had nothing to do with it, or words to that effect. You will note that our work suffered with the rest, but was not singled out any more than some distinctly Chinese interests. We hope in a week or so that things will quiet down so that we may go in and clean up. Our helpers lost all their little earthly belong-

This incident in itself would not be so

serious did it not appear to be a forerunner of a winter of suffering and famine around that district. The floods have been simply terrible. Rice is beginning to go up in price in Shanghai with leaps and bounds. Between Chinklang and Nanking on the railway people are living on the railway embankment that being the only ground which is a few inches above the water. The farmers have been seen wading through the water cutting off the half ripe rice so as to save some of it if possible. Just how much this will directly affect us we cannot say. It is said that unfortunately the waters cannot recede, yet owing to the water from ice melted in Thibet having only just started down. We fear a famine nearer to us worse than the one of last winter. What will become of poor China? Pray for us and the people of this great and mighty land.

Fraternally yours, FRANK RAWLINSON.

Success and Adversity in Central China.

I have had many things to be grateful for and they have encouraged me no little. During the month of June we had special meetings at three of the places where I visit. These meetings proved very fruitful. Since then thirty-eight have been baptized from those three places. The work is now filled with the ripest possibilities. There are a great many enquirers enrolled at these places and I am constantly anxious that we do all that we should to properly lead them into the full knowledge of the Truth.

Just at present at Daung Z we are suffering some adversities. This is caused by the threatened famine throughout this district which is very serious in and around that place. The country has been flooded for some time. The rice crops are all wholly destroyed and many of the poor people are suffering. As a result of this condition rice-riots have raged there and much damage has been done. Our chapel with all of its contents was completely destroyed and everything the evangelist had was broken up and thrown into the canal.

It was the keeping power of God that saved me, on the occasion, from being harmed. I had started there that day to meet my regular engagement there and the Christians, knowing the conditions and dangers, sent the evangelist to meet me and ask me not to come. When he told me, my first impulse was to go on, but being nearly sick with what proved later to be dysentery, I did come back. That night the raid was made on the chapel and the evangelist and his wife had to flee for their lives. The mob attributed the cause of the floods to the "foreign doctrine," hence their attack.

Food is very high and the conditions are deplorable, but we hope that before long they will be better. The weather is clearing up now and the water will be off after a few weeks and then the people will not be so desperate.

We are all very well at present so far as I know. Miss Tucker is gaining strength every day and hopes to resume work after a few weeks. I am not entirely well of my light attack of dysentery and am not yet back into my active work, but I am going to do my best to be all right soon.

The schools are opening up well after the summer vacation. The girl's school opened yesterday and the boy's school opened to-day. Some of our day schools are doing fine, but, of course, the strained condition of things just now affect them some.

I regret very much to know of the financial condition of the Board at home. It burdens our hearts and ties our hands, but thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory, I believe that He is going to get glory out of it all in some way and at some time.

J. E. WILLS.

Shanghai, China.

NATIVE CHRISTIANS AT THE HELM— Persecution.

Our special meetings have closed. Last Sunday the first batch of enquirers were baptized by the natve pastor. There were sixteen. Four women and twelve men, and of the men I heard there is only one who cannot read, which I think is an indication of the trend of things.

Mr. Li Ren Ching was the chairman of the Managing Committee this year, and all the arrangements of the meeting, inviting of speakers, including the finances, were entirely in the hands of the Chinese. Several things are accomplished by these meetings:

- 1. They create an atmosphere in which the preaching is much more effective. I noticed this feature very much this year in the preaching I was asked to do.
- 2. It has a very great value in training the workers, and in showing up their true characters, and in bringing about union of spirit among them.
- 3. They win souls for Christ as no other way I have seen in China has the power to do. Every time we have thrown this net for the last several years we have always drawn in a multitude of fishes. This year better than last, for they have over three hundred names, and had a regular class of about sixty. They are trying to be more careful this year than last in receiving members. They are learning by experience.
- 4. They help the members. Last Sunday there were more than one hundred members present, and considering the scattered ones, and those detained for other reasons, and considering that the Chinkiang Church in the city has altogether about two hundred members, it seems to me it was not so bad. There is great and constant work for all hands for the teaching and leading of the members. Every Sunday now we are having a crowded building of people who come to church on purpose. We have appointed one of our brightest men to be a general evangelist to visit each of the stations, and prepare for and lead the special meetings when they are due, working with the local worker.

The Presbyterians are now building a large church inside the West Gate of the city here, and our church is talking about the question. I said to them that if they would appoint a committee to look into

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the cost, etc., and consider the question of ways and means we ought to build a church ourselves that would be all we want. I told them a church built all by foreign money, and put up and planned by the foreigner would not take hold of the native heart, would not be their own, but on the other hand, a church which was the outcome of their own faith and labor and sacrifice would prove the power of the gospel and be their own. They seem quite taken with the idea and have appointed the committee. Oh! if we could see the native church here take hold in earnest and by faith build a house to the glory of God what a thing it would be! The essential thing is that they purpose it, plan it, and take the burden of doing all they can and of praying for the rest from somewhere else. It would be better for them to ask the Board for help than for me to ask the Board for money to build. I believe that if we had a building here that would hold a thousand we would soon see it full. Now we can barely crowd in two hundred of the two hundred thousand people in this city. The need is exceedingly great. This need is first.

A later letter brings the following sad news of persecution:

In Djuyung city the house which we have rented, and also the leased place, were destroyed last week by a mob. Many other places were destroyed. The main cause of the riot was this: There was a movement by some progressive Chinese to reclaim some of the waste lands, of which there are many thousands of acres. Many people are homeless and starving, and the idea was to invite settlers, and introduce dry farming, and new cereals, etc. Some of the villages in the Eastern section of the county said it would interfere with their grazing and their fuel supply, and so they rose and the final outcome has been a very serious riot which has involved the whole county more or less. The only point in which the move could be said to be against us is in the fact that it was anti-foreign and anti-progressive. It happened that one of our members, and a leading member, in

in Djuyung was a leading spirit in the whole movement for reform, and was the vice-president of the Self-Government Bureau to which position he was elected by those entitled to vote. It was known that foreigners came to his place, and rumours got out that the foreigners were trying to buy up their country, and that Mr. Djang was the leader in this effort to betray them. About ten days ago many thousands of the country people appeared at the city gates, and as they were not given entrance, they tore down the gates. and parts of the wall, and destroyed eleven places inside the city. Mr. Djang rented a part of a house which we were renting, and the leased place adjoined. They razed the whole thing to the ground, destroying everything left in the place. Our evangelist was there with his family. It happened that that day he was out in the country. The Djang family and his wife and children with one of our students had to get a place of safety in a hurry. Soon after Mr. Djang had to fly the city to save his life, and is now in hiding. Our evangelist, Mr. Wang, staid for a while in an Inn, but at last accounts was camping in a kind of shed on the old premises. He was sick, too, but is bravely staying with the work. We have in that county something more than two hundred members, and they are scattered over most of the Northern section of the county. The East section people sent commands to the North section to rise with them and help wipe out the churches, etc. they refused to do it. We have built three chapels in the North section, and we have three other preaching places, and it was a fine chance to destroy them, but our heathen neighbors met in village councils in the various localities and while they were compelled to send some people up to the city, they left our chapels untouched. We were gratified to know that where we were best known we were not hated enough to cause them to be willing to destroy us. We had planned several meetings for the country places, but they will have to wait a little. There were about 150 enquirers in the various places at last accounts, and our work has been

very hopeful. Pastor Djang, of Tsao Gia Wa, reports that the members are behaving well in this crisis.

Last Sunday there were two more baptisms here in Chinkiang, making the total number of our Chinkiang membership, 502. As some of our student workers are not able to be in the country now, we are opening our Bible School with between ten to fifteen students on next Monday. I told them that no man could go to the Seminary who had not stood an examination in a satisfactory manner on the whole Bible, and who did not know some Chinese and who could not show a good character among us.

Our Church Committee are out hunting land for a new church. I want to get them interested themselves, and hope they can eventually get a church that will suit them.

Later.—Mr. Djang is in Nanking, to which place he has taken his family. Officials are down investigating the causes of the riots. There will have to be indemnity for the houses destroyed, which will have to be replaced. Our American Consul in Nanking will attend to that, so far as our places are concerned.

W. E. CROCKER.

Chinkiang, China.

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A GREAT STEP FORWARD IN JAPAN.

We closed the first term of the night school in Fukuoka the last day of June. During the term one hundred and twenty students entered the school. It is the largest school of its kind in Japan, of which I have any knowledge. At least, of those run by missionaries, it is the largest. There are several reasons why this is true perhaps, but the main reason is that it is the only school of the kind in Fukuoka which has foreigners on its staff of teachers. Several Japanese have taught private English classes, but none of them have had the assistance of the foreigner. Then it is a new thing for Fukuoka and this draws some pupils. As I wrote you last spring, the school is self-supporting. I had a little over forty-five dollars gold in the treasury, over and above all expenses, when the school closed in June. This makes a pretty good showing we think.

Quite a number of the students attend the regular services at the church, and we hope to see them converted and living for Jesus Christ.

On Friday, September 15th, we opened the fall term with over fifty men in attendance. Since then others have entered, so that the enrollment is in round numbers sixty. We cannot accommodate over sixty very comfortably in our present chapel, so we are very well satisfied with an attendance of between fifty and sixty.

Mr. Moncure's coming to help in the school will give me more time for station and evangelistic work. We are certainly glad to have him to help in the work.

We feel that the night school will mean much as an evangelistic force. We have young men in the school from all walks of life and thus our influence will be felt in many parts of the city. We are very happy over the success of the school. We hear that it is spoken highly of, in all parts of the twin city Hakata-Fukuoka. Recently two railroad men from Tosu, a city about twenty miles south of here, entered the school. They come up and return every night.

We are just opening up two new preaching places; one in Hakata, near the Fukuoka Medical College, and also near East Park, and one in the Western part of the city out beyond West Park. Here we shall have Sunday-schools and preaching services.

We are very happy to have as our pastor Rev. K. Shimose, who came to us about the middle of July. He spent five years in America when quite a young man and has developed into one of the best preachers in Baptist ranks in Japan. He is a graduate of the Yokohama Seminary and a man of fine parts. We expect to see the church grow under his leadership.

Fukuoka-Hakata is fast becoming the metropolis of Kyushiu. It is by far the most progressive city on the island. We would not be surprised to see it the coaling station for American and European steamships in the next ten years. In fact, there

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has been such a plan proposed to the Government. It behooves us to take the city for Christ, before it gets too busy to listen to our message, for along with the coming of American and European steamers will come much that will be a great hindrance to the spread of Christianity. Sad it is that this should be true, but it is too evident in port cities to be denied. Not all business men from the West are bad, but many are.

We are glad to know that Brother Calder Willingham and his wife have landed safely in Japan. A telegram from them from Kobe, says they will reach Shimonoseki to-night at 8:25 by rail. Dr. Walne has gone up to meet them. We hope they will soon be in Fukuoka. We are very happy indeed that they are in Japan, and we welcome them with open hearts and homes. We pray that their lives may be richly blessed of God. We pray also for the loved ones left in the homeland. May God richly bless the two homes they represent.

Cordially yours, C. K. DOZIER.

BACK IN AFRICA.

After a safe and pleasant voyage, I arrived Friday afternoon. Sunday evening I preached in Brother Stone's church house to a packed house, numbering over 500. It was a rare opportunity, and I felt the Spirit's aid in giving them a gospel sermon.

The natives here are appealing to me in behalf of a Baptist day school for Lagos. Surely we do need it. I hope later to study the situation more carefully and to try to get our mission to recommend to you some plan for a school here. From a casual observation, I am inclined to think you should no longer consider Lagos as the "death-trap" which it was a few decades ago. I am sure you would be surprised to see practically a modern city in at least many respects, where formerly there was only an ordinary native town. Since it is the headquarters of the government and of the long railroad, it is necessary for many white people to live here. Therefore, a natural consequence is a wellorganized sanitary department. I have been here five days, I have not seen a

mosquito, I have heard only one. In our rooms, in the upper story of the old school house, there has always been such a cool breeze that I have rarely thought it safe to sit without a coat.

While you are praying for the more encouraging fields, do help us pray for more and better workers from our Southern churches for our very needy African work.

Fraternally, B. L. LOCKETT.

GREAT SUCCESS IN THE STOUT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

We feel very grateful to God for the evidence of His blessing upon the work of the hospital during the past six months. Not only have we had a greater number of in-patients than were treated during the first half of the year, but our work has continued to enjoy the increasing friendliness and patronage of practically all the officials of Wu Chow. The Tao Tai's grandson (one of them) was operated upon in the hospital and he and his older brother were both there for about two weeks. The latter has continued to show a very friendly spirit and has attended services at the church several times.

Am glad to say that we have secured the deed from the gentry for the hospital site on the new land. We have the assurance that the deed for the site where the physician's residences are to be built, will be given us in about four weeks more. As soon as this is secured we will need money at once to pay for removing graves and the buildings now on the site.

We have treated during this half year 4,584 patients and performed 50 major operations. Fourteen hospital patients have been received for baptism. We have made an effort to give every patient in the hospital a chance to hear the gospel. In addition to the above number of baptisms, quite a number have professed conversion and returned to their homes and we have reason to believe that many others left the hospital with their faith in idol worship shattered.

Sorry to report that I was sick for several weeks and was finally compelled to stop work for awhile, but have been able to do full duty since.

CHARLES A. HAYES.

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PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER 1911.

Subject: China.

I plead with those whose lives are bright, For those who dwell in gloom,

On whom there breaks no starry rift Of hope beyond the tomb;

I plead with those whose homes are fair, For those whose homes are dim,

Oh! guide them in the way of Christ, That they may learn of Him.

- 1. Roll Call: Every member to respond with a scripture text about the birth of Christ.
- 2. Singing: "Hail, Thou Long Expected Jesus."
- 3. Bible Reading: Christ Our Example. John 13:15, Rom. 15-5; Example in Obedience, John 8:20; Example in Prayer, Luke 6:12; Example in Humility, Phil. 2:5-7;

Example in Self-Sacrifice, I John 3:16.

- 4. Prayer: For our Missionaries and Native Christians in Chiua.
- 5. Five Minutes' Talk: "Chinese Characteristics."
- 6. Singing: "Hark, the Glad Sound! The Saviour Comes."
 - 7. Readings: From "Our Mission Fields."
 - 8. Readings: This issue of the Journal.
- 9. Chalk Talk: Arrange with one member to draw a map of China on blackboard, locate mission stations, exhibit pictures of hospital, school buildings and missionaries, which have been collected from mission magazines.
- 10. Business: Plan for the Christmas
- 11. Singing: Consecration Hymn—"I gave My Life for Thee." Closing prayer.

CHRISTIANITY AND THE WOMEN OF CHINA.

Perhaps in no other way is the influence of Christianity in China more plainly seen than in the elevation of woman.

degrades its women. Heathendom Daughters in China are from the beginning of their existence more or less unwelcome. If the infant girls are healthy and promising, they are tolerated because of their future market value. But if weak and sickly, the lot of the poor little creatures is indeed pitiable.

Heathen China cares nothing for the education of its women. "Why waste money on the education of our daughters, when after marriage they are no longer our daughters, but the daughters-in-law of some one else," is the argument.

All Chinese women marry, and generally marry young. Even when taking this important step a girl has no will of her own, but is given, or sold, to the man selected for her by others, perhaps to a man whom she has never seen. After her marriage she is the slave of the mother-in-law, who has absolute control over her son's wife. If the mother-in-law is ill-tempered and quarrelsome, the miseries of the poor girl are indescribable. Indeed, so unhappy is their lot, that suicide among young wives is not infrequent.

But Christianity is teaching the Chinese that woman is something more than man's slave. In many homes the Christian parents receive a little daughter as a gift from God, as a soul to be trained for his service.

Instead of the gross neglect of a girl's education, our mission schools are filled with bright faced, happy girls, nearly all of whom become Christians before leaving school. Many a girl from these schools has been happily married to the man whom

she preferred, and in some cases there have been genuine love matches.

About two years ago a bright young Christian woman, a graduate of the Eliza Yates Memorial School in Shanghai, was married to the man of her choice, a fine Christian man of sterling worth. But in less than a year God called the young wife home. On the day of her funeral the young husband, with tears streaming down his cheeks, said to one who tried to speak words of comfort, "How I loved her! The light has gone from my home!" To one who has seen something of the indifference and lack of sympathy between the average husband and wife in China, such grief as that is a revelation. It shows how Christ in the heart can exalt woman in the home.

The pity of it all is, that there are so few such homes in China, compared with the great numbers of those where Christ is not known, and where sin and misery hold sway. For, after all, the hope of China is in her Christian homes.

But the leaven of the gospel is working in China now as never before. God speed the day when in all parts of that vast Empire the light from Christian homes may shine into the darkest corners, driving away the night of ignorance and superstition and sin.

MRS. H. W. PROVENCE.

Shanghai, China. (Now in this county.)

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HOW AN EMPRESS OF CHINA WAS CHOSEN.

"On September 1, 1888, the daughters of all the Noble Manchu families in China between the ages of fifteen and eighteen were summoned to the palace at Peking, in order that her majesty, Tzu-hoi, the Empress Dowager of China, might select from among them three wives for 'The Son of Heaven,' the young inheritor of the throne. He was then 16 years old, and was about to ascend the throne, but must be married first.

"Hence, according to custom, all Manchus above the third rank were invited to offer their daughters as candidates for the highest honors that can be bestowed upon women in China.

"No Chinese were invited, only Manchus, or Tartars; for the present dynasty is of that race.

"Every Manchu family of rank which had a daughter of proper age responded; not only because it would have been disloyal and disrespectful to the 'Son of Heaven' not to do so, but it would be a disgrace which no girl could survive to have her own parents admit that she was not good enough to sit on the throne.

"After six weeks of surveillance the

candidates were reduced to thirty, and two hundred and seventy disappointed girls were sent home with rolls of silk and other rich presents to console their pride.

"When the selection had been made from these thirty, they with their parents were summoned to 'The Hall of Peace.'

"The thirty little damsels were arrayed in their most ravishing costumes when they were called forward.

"Whereupon the empress dowager called out of the circle little Zehonala, her own niece, the daughter of her brother, Duke Kui Hsiang, and handed her a banner of yellow silk, embroidered with the symbols of good luck and long life in jewels. This meant that she had been chosen Empress of China.

"Zehonala was chosen for her intellectual force, her sweet disposition and her attractive character, although she was one of the plainest of the candidates in appearance, and was older than the crown prince."—Mrs. Eleroy Curtis, in the Youth's Companion.

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MISSIONARIES' BOXES REPORTED.

Md. Ave. Baptist Church, Washington, D. C., sent box to Rev. W. A. Hall, Stonewall, Okla.; value, \$60.

Brookland Baptist Missionary Circle sent box to Rev. T. B. Harrell, McAlester, Okla.; value, \$60.

W. M. S. Clinton, Miss., sent box to Rev. James Sanders, Grandfield, Okla.; value, \$95.

W. M. S., West Point, Miss., sent box to

Rev. J. M. Gresham, Bokoske, Okla.; value, \$42.05.

W. M. S., Conway, S. C., sent bck to Mr. F. M. Elliott, Aspermont, Tex.; value, \$76.65.

Rivermont Ave. Baptist Church, Lynchburg, Va., sent box to Rev. J. R. Mays, Loving, Texas; value, \$73.85.

W. M. S., Franklin Baptist Church, Virginia, sent box to Rev. D. E. Adams, Barstow, Texas; value, \$205.99.

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THE CHISTMAS OFFERING OF 1911.

The set time for gift-making is drawing near. What a happy conception of the Union was the Christmas offering; the seeking to direct the highborn impulse of giving into mission channels, to divert some of its gifts, at least into the Lord's treasury! In the long ago, such efforts, would have availed very little, for women, with rare exceptions, handled no monies, the father or husband being the recognized disbursers. Now how different it is! Women keep their own bank accounts, many of them being wage earners. We must understand that with enlarged privileges come enlarged obligations, the liberal interpretation of which is that our gifts should continually grow larger. Many who started with a dime a month could easily raise it to a dollar. Systematic giving is the standard and must be followed, but sometimes the system seems

to have crushed out the life of the giver in seeking to keep the gift within the old limits. How magnetic in influence, is a large gift unexpectedly made, from an outburst of fervor and love for the cause! Both are needed, systematic giving, and extra large contributions. Hear our chosen officials as they plead for poor stricken China, bleeding at every pore, for hospital and school work. And this appeal is to be sounded through every department of mission work, taking in the women's and girls' and children's societies. How are these funds so needed to be increased? How can the indifferent, the self-indulgent ones be reached? If they were all spirit-filled, only a slight reminder would be necessary. But alas, this is not true, many will need to be encouraged and helped. Water does not go upward unless it be forced, neither. *

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does a fountain play without some driving agency on the outside. Let the leaders get aflame with zeal before they present the subject of the Christmas offering.

It was Emerson who said that "nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm." This is as eminently true in religious as in literary or civic matters, for the Lord himself, has said that the sluggard the neither "hot nor cold" type is distasteful to him.

This year of 1911 is signalized as a notable one in the history of missions, by reason of the great wave of missionary endeavor that swept with cyclonic power from West to East the Jubilee meeting, leaving in its trail quickened consciences, mission classes, enthusiastic membership and registered vows of larger giving. This great result is largely traceable to the enthusiasm of one woman, "Mrs. Peabody" who soon attracted to herself others, of like calibre and spirit. There was no shrinking from duties, no reluctance to undergo sacrifices that often endangered health, in that noble band of women.

Who can ever forget the burning words, of many of these missionaries as they depicted the sorrowful conditions of the women of heathen lands. The witchery of their eloquence and their deep earnestness often melted their audiences to tears. Nothing is known to have surpassed it in spiritual power, unless it was the great World's Alliance in Philadelphia as a grand climax.

With renewed enthusiasm, let the Baptist women undertake the task of making this the greatest of all the Christmas offerings. Enlistment day has come and gone, and with these additional workers secured on that day, it can be done if we are courageous enough to attempt to do so. Keeping ever in view the great gift of Christ and his salvation to us, a thing we would never have known if it had not been revealed to us, let us then by concerted action move up the records to figures undreamed of before.

MRS. WILLIAM E. HATCHER. Fork Union, Va.

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OUR WORK IN HONAN PROVINCE, CHINA.

The work of our Southern Baptist Board has been opened in Kaifeng, the capital of Honan province a little more than two years. We found interested people, but they were interested in the queer occidentals who had come among them. It was not our "doctrine" they cared for, but our clothes and things concerning the "barbarians across the sea." Even this was in our favor, for when we answered their questions they would ofter say. "Well, people in America are civilized just like people in China." We felt then there was common ground upon which to begin about the doctrine. We had stated times for our gospel messages. We would take our baby organ to the guest room, open the front door of our court yard and begin to play. One would be attracted, stop to listen then another, finally one would be bold enough to step inside and like sheep others would follow, until a nice congregation had gathered. Then the gospel story was told in the simplest form. They were invited to return and also to remain after dismission.

In this new work possibly the quickest results come from the "personal touch" which one gets after the meeting is dismissed, when the men and women are invited into separate rooms and just "plain talk" is indulged in. It is in these talks with the women that we can talk freely of the Christian world which seems to have been made specially for women, and of the beautiful family life enjoyed where Christ is known and worshipped.. Some times when they see the clean, cozy, comfortable quarters of the missionary their heart instinctively says, "This is a little heaven." 'Tis time that we can make heavens of our homes.

If the foreigner and his foreign things are attractive to some, it is also true

away out there in the Interior that he is also repellant to some. So often one sees some one clasp his hands tightly over the child's eyes as the foreigner goes by, for fear the latter will spirit away the soul of the child. There is hardly a day that "foreign devil, foreign devil" is not shouted at the foreigner. Because of their fear it makes it all the more necessary to live Christ daily and try to win these people to ourselves and then to our God. On account of our personal work we have seen barriers broken down and good friends made out of one time heathen strangers.

One I recall who said, "Do we dare go in the foreigner's court." "Yes, indeed," was the reply. An invitation quickly came for me to return the call. She told me

after we became acquainted what the Chinese said about the foreigners and as she and I became real friends she helped greatly in breaking down what prejudice there might be in the minds of the women. She was glad to listen to the gospel and became our first convert in Kaifeng. She has learned to read the Bible, though over fifty years old.

To many who would like to be of special help in our hard new field, I beg that you give yourself in continued and earnest prayer that God will give us entrance to these people's hearts and thus help us to win these who heretofore have not had an opportunity to hear the gospel.

MRS. W. EUGENE SALLEE.

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DIGEST OF STATE REPORTS.

GEORGIA.

The reports at the annual State meeting of 1910 showed increase in listed organizations as follows: W. M. S., 146; Y. W. A., 40; Junior Y. W. A., 30; Sunbeams, 131; Royal Ambassadors, 34; and an increase in total contributions, \$3,349.80, or 16 per cent. At this meeting it was decided to make the Atlanta Office headquarters also for Young People's Societies -the work of all departments being thus consolidated. Being now in the midst of a rigid revision of our lists of organizations in all departments it is likely our next year's showing as to number of active societies will be much less than that of the present year.

While not all our apportionments for this year were met, it is gratifying to note that this year's total exceeds that of 1910, that the Y. W. A. exceeded their apportionment for Home and Foreign Missions; the Sunbeams and R. A. went beyond theirs for Home Missions.

Among the noteworthy features of our work are: The employment of a State Evangelist; maintenance of three girls in the Training School; two Missionary Institutes of fine and far-reaching effect conducted by Vice-Presidents in the South-

west and Southeast Divisions; the increase of the "Messenger" circulation to more than 5,000.

But Georgia is a large field and difficult. While we have superintendents listed in 65 associations, there are yet 18 in which we have been unable to find women for the work. Hence our need to give larger attention to State development which we are assiduously pressing.

EMMA LENORA AMOS, Corresponding Secretary-Treasurer.

KENTUCKY.

Among the noteworthy features of our work are: The employment of a State Evangelist; maintenance of three girls in the Training School on Scholarships; a missionary institute; circulating libraries; the increase of the "Messenger" subscriptions to more than 5,000; the division of many Associational Unions into districts supervised by secretaries who act as assistants to the Associational Superintendents, and with them form Associational Executive Committees; and an increase in the number of the larger churches using the "circle plan" for the organization of their women.

Our joy and pride are the Y. W. A.'s.

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who have exceeded their apportionment both for Home and Foreign Missions. We have more new societies than ever before, large Christmas Offering and far larger Thank-offering, which brings our Home Mission contribution nearer the mark than usual.

The Jubilee offering carries our Foreign Mission figures beyond our apportionment, and we are hoping the enthusiasm aroused will long outlast the effects of the collection. We have met our apportionment for Current Expenses and Enlargement. Our total contribution to the Training School being, \$1,495, and in addition the local Board has given \$400 for enlargement.

Much good was done by a few months' service of a field worker, and during the four months of the coming summer similar work will be carried on by Miss Dover of the Training School.

Tithing and Personal Service have aroused much interest, and the latter branch of the work has been made the special charge of the Associational Vice-Presidents.

With grateful hearts we press forward. E. S. BROADUS, Vice-President.

LOUISIANA.

We come to the close of another year with feelings of both joy and sadness. Joy, in that our co-workers almost universally express themselves as looking forward to better service in the future; slowly but surely the work is extending throughout the State; love and harmony prevail.

Sadness, that our president, Mrs. Hollingsworth, being called from the State, had to give up the work; and because we did not reach our aim in contributions. In January the Louisiana Callege at Pineville burned, which loss has doubtless affected contributions.

The new department of Personal Service, the tithing system and a standard of excellence suggested by one of our Associational Superintendents are all meeting with favor and will be generally adopted in time, we feel sure.

Realizing our impotence, but God's omnipotence, we press on to enter the

doors of opportunity wide open all around us.

MRS. J. L. LOVE, Corresponding Secretary. MARYLAND.

The year has been one of privilege and blessing. The gathering of the great Southern Baptist hosts in our city last May was an inspiration that has meant much to the work in Maryland. The Missionary Jubilee, which convened in Baltimore last February, was an occasion never to be forgotten. We still feel the inspiration of those wonderful meetings and have evidence of their helpfulness, in the increased gifts to Missions, and the organization of new societies.

We rejoice to report that Maryland has not only met all of her apportionments for Home and Foreign Missions, Sunday-school Board, Training School and Margaret Home, but has exceeded them.

About one-half of the amount (\$1,500) pledged during the Jubilee has been paid. As the Jubilee fund is a special thank-offering, this is not included in the amount raised for our apportionment for Foreign Missions. Truly "God has done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

MRS. A. C. JOHNSON,
President H. M. S.
MISS CLARA M. WOOLFORD,
President F. M. S.

MISSISSIPPI.

Our work in Mississippi shows marked improvements along all lines. A sign of promise is the growing interest in the Associational meetings. Careful preparation, large attendance, enthusiastic interest in these meetings have proven a most potent factor in the advancement of our work. Y. W. A. shows a growth in numbers and interest. Sunbeams have taken on new life and new bands are being organized.

One of the most encouraging features in the past year is the increased number of informed, alive women who seem anxious to do their part in the great work of missions.

For all these blessings we thank God and press forward.

MRS. W. R WOODS.

Young People's Department.

MRS. W. R. NIMMO, BALTIMORE, MD.

SHINE OUT, O STAR!

What shall we do for the blinded eyes
Straining their gaze afar,
Seeing no promise of dawn arise,
Searching in vain for the star?

Dear God, so far in the lifted heavens—So low in the dust they lie,
To whom no glimpse of the day is given,
No star in their midnight sky.

The burdened and weary, the sick and faint,

Who moan out their despair
Till the still air pulses with their com-

plaint,
And the pang of unheeded prayer.

Sweet choir of God, this Christmas-tide Sing out your song again;

Is the Christ-child born? Has He come to abide?

Does it mean "good will to men?"

Shine out, O star, on their darkened way, Whose eyes with tears are dim, The Christ-child lives somewhere to-day—Make clear the road to Him.

-Mary Lowe Dickinson.

SOME CHRISTMAS MAIL.

Dear Sunbeams:

While this letter is from a missionary to China it is written in this country because I am visiting my native land. I want to send you a greeting and congratulate you on your twenty-fifth anniversary. And I also want to tell you a very pretty story of a little girl who lives in Mississippi, I could tell you her name, but perhaps she would not care to have me do so. After her recovery from a very dangerous illness, she wished to give a thank-offering to God. Her mother had paid her to take medicine through her illness, she decided to send her money to China to help little Chinese girls. When the money came and the story was told we decided to use it to furnish a sick room in our beautiful new girls' school in Shanghai.

As you are giving your money this year for kindergartens in foreign lands, I thought this true story would remind you of some blessing for which you would want to give a thank-offering to God. At least we can all be thankful for the Christchild and bring an offering to Him.

YOUR LOVING MISSIONARY.

Caixa 184, Bahia, Brazil, September 8, 1911.

To the "Sunbeams":

We, the members of the Juvenile Society of the Baptist Church of the Rua Dr. Seabra, Bahia, Brazil, rejoice with you on the occasion of your twenty-fifth birthday, and hope that you may live to see another twenty-fifth birthday, by which time we shall be just as old as you are this year-for our society only came into existence this year. We feel sure that the Sunbeams feel just as we do-that the Society Meeting is among the brightest and happiest hours of the week. We are glad to know that so many are following in the footsteps of our loving Jesus and learning to serve Him and work for Him. We shall meet and know each other "when He cometh to make up His jewels." Until then, we remain,

Your loving friends,

THE MEMBERS OF THE JUVENILE SOCIETY OF THE ABOVE NAMED CHURCH.

To the Royal Ambassadors, My Dear Boys:

I want to tell you of a boy in the Toluca School of whom we are very proud. He does not know who his parents were nor whether they are living or dead, some man took him and gave him his scanty food and clothing for the work he could do. He lived here, there and anywhere, but was not treated kindly. After a while this man brought him to a Baptist day school in the city of Mexico. He was so

much too large for his lean little body and they were ragged and dirty. He had no money for books, but Mr. Neal gave him work to do so he could earn some money. He ought to have entered the junior year of the high school, but there were no others for that grade so no classes had been arranged and the teachers all had their hands full, so he entered the senior year and has made the highest average of any in the class and only two others in the whole school have had a

higher average. This year he gave a very touching partment.

account of his call to the ministry and entered the classes of the Theological de-Each Sunday he goes out to some village near to distribute tracts and do personal work. He writes and spells so well that Mr. Neal employs him to help make out the monthly reports and copy the grades in the grade book. He is in my classes of Greek

and Latin and is a fine pupil.

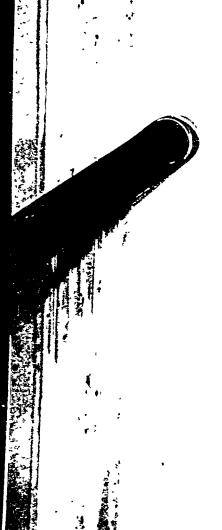
Our school is not expensive. We supported forty boys and girls last year on the same amount that my niece spent in one year in college in the United States, and I expect many of you will spend more than that in one year when you go to college. Of course, you can judge from that we do not have any good accommodations and it is time, but Mr. Neal does the very best he can with the money we have, to make the place bright, clean and attractive.

The money you will give us will go to pay the board and tuition of worthy boys. These must buy or rent their books, must pay for their washing and ironing or do it themselves. Besides this they must study and make a passing average or else they lose the opportunity of coming free. When they haven't sufficient clothing or are sick and need medicine we help them with our own money and not from the



MISSION CHILDREN AT HWANGHIEN, CHINA. From Left to Right Back Row Edith Newton, Mary I Ayers, Emmet Ayers, Rachel Newton, Paul Lowe, Hartw Ayers, Marion Newton. Front Row. Margaret Ruth Lov Philip Newton, Roby Newton, Marion Lowe, Helen Newton.

intelligent that the teacher took a great interest in him. Then the man deserted him and left him alone in the city, the teacher took him in and provided his food. clothes and lodging. He staid until he finished the grades taught there, she then sent him to us, but we had taken as many as our money would pay for so she paid half his expenses and clothed him that year and we let him come. During the first year he was converted and baptized. In vacation he worked and managed to live, but could not buy his clothing. When school opened he asked to come back free as his expenses could not be met for another year. Wehad the school full and intended to say no, but before the letter was written he came walking, hadn't money enough to come all the way on the train, so he paid to ride over the highest mountains and walked the most of the way. He was thin from lack of food, his clothes were old ones some man had given him.



school funds. We bring the sick ones to our house and nurse them as if it were a real child of our own. We have had two epidemics of measles and three cases of typhoid fever to nurse them through besides the ordinary ailments. This year

we have enrolled 129 boys and girls and one-half the number are boys. I am not at home or I would give you the exact number.

> Your loving friend, HALLIE GARRETT NEAL.

Receipts for Foreign Missions from May 1, 1911 to November 15, 1911.

Virginia		North Carolina	3,729	64
South Carolina		Florida	2.227	56
Texas		District of Columbia	836	89
Georgia		Oklahonia	835	93
Kentucky	9,658 52	Arkansas	604	38
Alabama		Louisiana	572	93
Tennessee	7,389 33	Other Sources		
Missouri			•	
Maryland	6,438 19	-		_
Mississippi	5,023 41	Total\$1	13.216	59

Recei pts for Foreign Missions From October 15. 1911 to November 15, 1911.

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ALABAMA.—Twenty-first Ave. Ch., Birmingham, J. R. S., \$5.60; Big Bear Creek
Bapt. Assn., T. J. W., \$13.25; Midway Bapt.
Ch., C. W. B., Tr., \$6.20; Columbia Bapt.
Assn., A. Daughtery, Tr., \$60.65; Judson
Bapt. Assn., B. F. H., Jr., \$21; Dr. W. T.
Berry, Birmingham, native worker, \$5; W.
B. Crumpton, Cor. Sec'y, designated as follows: Bouldin Fund, \$38.40; W. M. W., account of debt, \$11.50; W. M. U., Miss Hartwell, \$6.25; W. M. U., Miss Kelly, \$20; W. M.
U., Chinese student, \$12.65; W. M. U., hospitals, \$27,41; W. M. U., kindergartens, \$27;
W. M. U., for mission girl, \$456.40; undesignated, \$1.560.74. Total this month, \$2.272.05.

Previously reported, \$6.097.46. Total this year, \$8,369.51.

ARKANSAS.—Dr. J. C. Wallis, Arkadelphia, \$25; Earle Bapt. S. S., A. H., \$3.57;
"The Bukrmans," Texarkana, \$50; L. M. and
A. Society, Fort Smith, H. P., Tr., Chinese girl, by Mrs. P. A. Ball, \$7.50. Total this month, \$86.07.

Previously reported, \$518.31. Total this year, \$604.38.

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.—Grace Bapt. Ch., Washington, H. C. H. Tr., \$20; Grace Bapt. Ch., Washington, H. C. H., Tr., \$12; Second Bapt. Ch., Washington, I. G. N., clerk, \$62.22; Second Bapt. S. S., L. G. N., clerk, \$30.21; W. M. S. Immanuel Ch., Washington, Miss E. C. K., Tr., \$1; West Washington Ch., W. H. H., Tr., \$185; West Washington Ch., W. H. H., Tr., \$10.05. Total this month, \$320.48.
Previously reported, \$516.41. Total this

Previously reported, \$516.41. Total this year, \$836.89.
FLORIDA.—S. B. Rogers, Cor. Secy., FLORIDA.—S. B. Rogers, Cor. Secy., \$509.95; W. B. Missy Union of Florida, Mrs. H. C. Peelman, Tr., \$47.33. Total this month, \$557.28.

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Previously reported, \$1,670.28. Total this year \$2,227.56.

GEORGIA.—Mrs. Mary Davis, Jackson, Greensboro, \$25.00; Miss Holman, by S. E. Stephens. Bible Woman, \$5.00; Willingham Mission S. S., Macon, A. R. S., \$5.60; First Bapt. S. S., Macon, B. B. W. Tr., \$50.00; Mrs. A. C. Stinbeck, Augusta, \$1.00; Miss Anna Stinbeck, Augusta, \$3.00; Woman's Auxiliary, First Ch., Savannah, Mrs. L. A. R., Tr., Bible woman, \$7.00. Total this month, \$96.60.

R. Tr., Bible woman, \$7.00. Total this month, \$96.60.
Previously reported, \$11,888.14. Total this year, \$11,984.74.
KENTUCKY.—Hawk Creek Ch., F. M. Jones, \$1.20; Mt. Zion Bapt. Assn., G. W. N., Tr., \$17.45; New Hopewell Ch., Rock-castle Assn., J. J. P., Clk., \$1.00; Miss Willie

tober 15. 1911 to November 15, 1911.

Lamb, Treas., C. C. W. M. U., Ky., designated as follows: R. A., for school, Toluca, Mexico, \$2.88; Highland Sunbeams, for child in Miss Tucker's 'school, \$20: Eminence Sunbeams, for Mrs. Snugg's Kindergarten Building, \$8; Sunbeams, for kindergartens and schools, \$35.80: Sunbeams, for Jubliee Fund, \$1; Owensboro Third Ch., Y. W. A., for pupil Miss McKenzle's school, \$25; Pembroke Ch., B. Y P. U., for Bible woman, \$7.50; Owensboro First Ch., Y. W. A., for Bible woman, \$16.50: Owensboro First Ch., Y. W. A., for Miss Moorman's salary, \$47.30; Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for Bible woman, \$7.50; Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for hospitul work, \$65.25 Chestnut St. Ch., Y. W. A., for Bible woman, \$15: Bardstown Ch., W. M. S., for native. China, \$90.60; 22d and Walnut Ch., W. M. S., for E. A. Jackson, \$4.25; Severns Valley Ch., W. M. S., for child China, \$5: Severns Valley Ch., W. M. S., for Bible woman, \$30; Broadway Ch., W. M. S., for Bible woman, \$30; Broadway Ch., W. M. S., for Bible woman, \$7.50: Hospitul W. M. S., for native with Chambers, \$7.50: Franklin Ch., W. M. S., for Miss Priest's salary, \$51.75: Salem Ch., Bethel, W. M. S., for boys' school Teng Chow, \$35; Sharpsburg Ch., W. M. S., for salary of missionary, \$5: Monticello Ch., W. M. S., for Bible woman, \$7.50: Hodgensville Ch., W. M. S., for salary of missionary, \$5: Monticello Ch., W. M. S., for salary, \$97.01; Walnut St., W. M. S., for salaries of women, \$284.31; B. Y. P. U., Hopkinsville, G. P. B., ence Powell Harris' salary, \$97.01; Walnut St., W. M. S., for salaries of women, \$284.31; B. Y. P. U., Hopkinsville, G. P. B., ence Powell Harris' sal

Previously reported, \$6,248.34. Total this year, \$9,658.52.

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LOUISIANA.—Mrs. C. E. Jenkins, Mansfield, native missionary, \$100.00.

Previously reported, \$472.93. Total this year. \$572.93.

MARYLAND. — Maryland Bapt. Union Assn., J. C. M., Tr., \$289.38; W. B., F. M. Socy, of Maryland, Mrs., W. G. Tyler, Tr., Jubilee. \$6.00: undesignated, \$76.17; B. Y. P. U., Fuller Memorial, Baltimore, H. B. W., \$30.00: Laurel Bapt. Ch., E. B. H., \$16.05; Franklin Square Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, F. E. W., Tr., \$100; B. Y. P. U., Franklin Sq. Bapt.

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Ch., Baltimore, F. E. W., Tr., \$5; Junior B. Y. P. U., Lee St. Ch., Baltimore, H. B. McC., Tr., \$8.00; F. S. and L. B., Baltimore, \$100.00; Scott St. Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, J. R. R., \$12.50; North Ave. Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, J. R. R., \$12.50; North Ave. Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, C. M. K., Tr., \$41.85; Seventh Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, O. M. LaB., Tr., \$37.60; Eutaw Place Ch., Baltimore, H. W. P., Tr., \$227.37; Pastors Aid and M. Socy., First Ch., Baltimore, Mrs. O. C., Tr., Support of "Mrs. Tsu," \$60.00; W. B. F. M. Society of Maryland, Mrs. W. G. Tyler, Tr., Jubilee Fund, \$7.00; Y. W. A., \$13.85; undesignated, \$95.09; Immanuel Ch., Baltimore, A. J. M., Tr., \$8.20; rst Bapt. Ch., Baltimore, J. R. G., Tr., \$40.63; First Bapt. Ch., Frederick, H. L. E., Secy., \$15.00. Total this month, \$1.196.69.

Previously reported, \$5,241.50. Total this

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MISSISSIPPI.—Amory Bap. Ch., Chas. Rowan, Tr., \$70.25; New Hope Bapt. Ch., J. M. W., Tr., \$5.00; Philathea Class, Laurel, J. R., Tr., Bible woman, \$2.50; Clinton Bapt. Ch., by Geo. Whitfield, \$10.00; B. Y. P. U., 15th Ave., Meridian, E. D. B., Tr., Chinese student, \$3.00; B. Y. P. U., Lucedale, W. J. H., Pastor, native worker, China, \$7.50; A. V. Rowe, Cor. Secty., designated as follows: Native helper, \$32.50; on account of debt, \$79.40; undesignated, \$638.10. Total this month, \$848.25.

Previously reported, \$4,175.16. Total this year, \$5,023.41.

MISSOURI.—A. W. Payne, Treas., \$571.00; Women of Missouri, A. W. Payne, Tr., designated as follows: Woman's Building, Shanghai, \$27.01; Jubilee Building, Pingtu, \$10.50; Scholarship, Pingtu, \$12.00; undesignated, \$68.00. Total this month, \$688.51.

Previously reported, \$7,598.08. Total this year, \$8,286.59.

NORTH CAROLINA.—R. M. Pryor, Hendersonville by O. A. Allison, native below.

year, \$8,286.59.

NORTH CAROLINA.—R. M. Pryor, Hendersonville, by O. A. Allison, native helper, Pingtu, \$5.00; Rev. J. G. Graham, Kings Mountain, native miss'y, \$8.50 W. M. S., First, Asheville, T. J. P., Tr., for Mrs. Dozier, \$45.00; Garnering Circle, Asheville, T. J. P., Tr., for Mrs. Dozier, \$20 00; Ahoskie Bapt. Ch., T. H. W., Tr., pledge of Ch. Dowell, \$25.00; Corinth Bapt. Ch., G. W. Hood, Cik., \$5.92; W. M. S. Reidsville, Mrs. P. W. G., Tr., native helper, \$25.00. Total this month, \$134.42.

Previously reported, \$3,595.22. Total this year, \$3.729.64.

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Previously reported, \$3,595,22. Total this year, \$3,729,64.

SOUTH CAROLINA,—Double Branch Ch., J. W. S., Clk., \$10: Elim Ch., Florence Assn., D. W. H., Tr., \$4,53: Orangeburg Bapt. Assn., A. M. B., Tr., \$1: Pickens Bapt. Assn., R. T. H., Tr., \$7,58; M. W. Bobo, Broad River Assn., Spartanburg, \$10; W. T. Derieux, Cor. Sec'y, \$9,30; Georges' Creek Ch., R. B. S., Tr., \$2,70; Goucher Ch., Broad River Assn., \$10,16; Providence Ch., Kershaw Assn., W. C. W., \$392; Mizpah Bap. Ch., Welch Neck Assn., C. W. E., Tr., \$33,34; Hickory Grove Bapt. Ch., York Assn., J. M. C., Clk., \$1,25; Millbrook Ch., B. F. H., Tr., \$27; W. M. S., Bennettsvills, M. E. McL., two Bible women, Miss Lide, \$60; J. C. Spivey, Treas., Conway, \$3,08; Eutawville Ch., Charlotte Assn., L. L. B., \$8,67; Rev. E. O. Thompson, Pageland, \$10; Dudley B. Y. P. U., Miss M. F., Tr., \$7; Blackstock Ch., Chester Assn., D. W. K., Tr., \$5; First Bapt. Ch., Union, by Mrs. Gordon Williams, W. W. W., native worker, with Miss Whilden, \$30; Fairfield Bapt. Assn., W. J. S., Tr., \$17; Hopewell Bapt. Ch., J. H. J., \$15; First Bapt. Ch., Chester, J. T. P., Tr., \$36,37; Harmony Ch., Chester Assn., R. H. F., Tr., \$17,05; Walnut Hill Ch., W. G., Tr., \$2; Unity Bapt. Ch., Spartanburg Assn., D. E. S., \$5,24; Seneca Bapt. Ch., Beaver Dam Assn., M. A. W., Tr., \$9,40; Shiloh Bapt. Ch., Anderson

Co., W. M. S., Tr., \$1,26; Antioch Bapt, Ch. B. F. A., clerk, \$1,86; Little Salt Kabotch Lie Ch., Colleton Assn., P. M. J., Tr., \$1,31; Reedy River Ch., North Greenville Assn., P. E. H., Tr., \$1.05; Harmony Ch., Chester Assn., R. H. F., Tr., \$3; Highland Bapt, Ch., North Greenville Assn., T. F. F. Tr., \$1; Franklin Mill Bant, Ch., North Greenville Assn., C. C. T., Tr., \$2,30; Scranton Bapt, Ch., U. W. T., Tr., \$10; Madison Bapt, Ch., Beaver Dam Assn., P. P. S., Tr., \$22,01; New Bethel Bapt, Ch., Chester Assn., L. R. McA., clerk, \$5; Second Bapt, Ch., Chester, R. H. F., \$5,60; Lando Bapt, Ch., Chester, R. H. F., \$5,60; Lando Bapt, Ch., Chester, R. H. F., \$5,60; Lando Bapt, Ch., Chester, R. H. F., \$2; Washington St. Ch., Sumter, Charleston Assn., W. F. R., Tr., \$25,00; Mount Heulah Ch., J. W. B., Tr., \$2; Mills Mill Ch., Greenville Assn., E. M. S., \$3; Stafford Ch., E. A. F., clerk, \$1,87; Cheraw Bapt, S. S., P. H. Shuck, Tr., \$25,83; Beech Branch Ch., L. M. B., Tr., \$25; S3; Beech Branch Ch., L. M. B., Tr., \$25; S3; Beech Branch Ch., L. M. B., Tr., \$25; S3; Beech Branch Ch., L. M. B., Tr., \$25; S4; Erlert Bapt, Ch., Williamston, M. L. B., Tr., \$9,96; Penile! Ch. Florence Assn., E. R. B., \$6,50; Cedar Shoals Ch., G. A. W. Tr., \$11,70; Good Hope Ch., Ridge Assn., S. T. B., \$1,85; Fairforest Bapt, Ch., Spartanburg Assn., W. T. W., Tr., \$30,27; Elllott Bapt, Ch., J. V. C., \$7,41; Waccamaw Assn., J. C. Splvey, Tr., \$30,33; Charleston Assn., S. M. G., Tr., \$23,21; Sandy Level Ch., J. W. P., Tr., \$3,30; First Bapt, Ch., W., \$10; Reby Bapt, Ch., J. Y. C., \$7,41; Waccamaw Assn., J. C. Splvey, Tr., \$30,33; Charleston Assn., S. M. G., Tr., \$23,21; Sandy Level Ch., J. W. P., Tr., \$3,30; First Bapt, Ch., W., \$10; Reby Bapt, Ch., J. Y. C., \$7,41; Waccamaw Assn., J. C. Splvey, Tr., \$30,31; Sandy Level Ch., J. W. P., Tr., \$21,21; Splvey, Tr., \$30,57; First Bapt, Ch., Woodruff, Spartanburg Assn., B. S. B., Tr., \$22,21; Mayesville Ch., Santee Assn., W. T., \$1,25; Ellott Bapt, Ch., Roboulty, R. A., verwinster, Ch., Beaver Dam Assn

Previously reported, \$13,094.49. Total this

year, \$14,540.19.

OKLAHOMA.—Marsden Ch., A. A. B., Tr., \$5; W. B. M. S. Oklahoma, Miss Sue O. Howell, Tr., \$99.10 W. B. M. S. Oklahoma, Miss Sue O. Howell, Tr., \$98.05; Y. W. Shawnee, by Miss Sue O. Howell, girl with Mc-Kenzie, \$15. Total this month, \$217.15.

Previously reported, \$618.78. Total this year \$835.93

year, \$835.93.

TENNESSEE.—Christiansburg Ch., D. H. Ray, \$2.60; Thos. Bryant, Shop Springs Ch., S. G. S., pastor, Rio Seminary, \$5. Ino Ballard, Sweetwater, for Africa, \$10; Mrs. R. A. Martin, Mt. Juliet, \$4.65; W. M. Woodcock,

Treas., designated as follows: Education of giri at Wuchow, \$5; China, \$5; "Yang Sing Zong," with Miss Teal, Yangchow, \$25; Miss Saille Priest, Bible woman, \$7.50; Whitting-hill, \$20; Bible Fund, \$3.03; kindergarten, \$2.25; Miss Mendows School, \$1; Africa, \$2.50; Bible woman Hakka field, \$15; Chines* scholarship, \$5; Wuchow, \$3; undesignated, \$602.68; "Young South," L. D. E., Tr., designated as follows: Mrs. Medling's salary, \$171.96; on account of debt, \$15; chapel at Kagoshima, \$20. Total this month, \$914.17. Previously reported, \$6,448.16. Total this year, \$7.359.23; Tr.XAS.—F. M. McConnell, Cor. Sec'y, \$130.62; Mrs. B. L. Mitchell, Illinois Bend, \$11. L. A. S. Savoy, L. W. Pierce, preaching hall, Yang Chow, \$7.25; C. C. Pierce, Savoy, L. W. Pierce, preaching hall, Yang Chow, \$6; S. H. Pierce, \$2.40; L. W. Pierce, preaching hall, Yang Chow, \$6; S. H. Pierce, \$2.40; L. W. Pierce, preaching hall, Yang Chow, \$147; L. A. and M. Society Ninth St. Ch., Ballinger, Mrs. A. Shere, Sec'y, Bit's L. A. and M. Society Ninth St. Ch., Ballinger, Mrs. A. Shere, Sec'y, Bit's L. A. and M. Society Ninth St. Ch., Ballinger, Mrs. A. Shere, Sec'y, Bit's L. A. and M. Society Ninth St. Ch., Ballinger, Mrs. A. Shere, Sec'y, Bit's L. A. and M. Society Ninth St. Ch., Ballinger, Mrs. A. Shere, Sec'y, Bit's L. A. and M. Society Ninth St. Ch., Ballinger, Mrs. A. Shere, Sec'y, Bit's L. A. and M. Forder, St. B. A. Jacobs, Treas, designated as follows: B. Badger, Marble Falls, for native helper, \$25; B. W. M. U. of Texas, Christinas offering, \$17.25; linly, \$1,16; Africa, 45 cents; Fred Clark, for Hakka field, \$5; undesignated, \$124.79. Total this month, \$647.01.

Previously reported, \$11,697.25. Total this year, \$12,344.29.

VIRGINIA.—Rev. J. M. Street, by H. W. Provence, \$5; B. A. Jacobs, Treas, designated as follows: Keysville Ch., Appomatiox Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$1,25; Freemason St. Ch., Portsmouth Assn. (Sunbeams), Milliams Memorial, \$1,25; Freemason St. Ch., Portsmouth Assn. (Sunbeams), Milliams Memorial, \$1,21; Little

morial, \$4.91; Mt. Hermon Ch., Roanoke Assn., (Sunbeams), desk in China, \$3.90; Zion Ch., Accomae Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$10.00; Calvary Ch., Dover Assn. (W. M. S.), cducation of Chinese girl, \$6.00; Bowling Green Ch., Hermon Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$2.00; Enon Ch., Hermon Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$10.01; Enon Ch., Hermon Assn. (W. M. S.), to endow two beds in Dr. Louthan's Hospital, \$50; Second Newport News Ch., Peninsula Assn. (W. M. S.), to endow two beds in Dr. Louthan's Hospital, \$50; Second Newport News Ch., Peninsula Assn. (W. M. S.), native helper Lel in China, \$14.85; Warrenton Ch., Potomae Assn. (W. M. S.), native helper Lel in China, \$14.85; Warrenton Ch., Potomae Assn. (W. M. S.), Bible woman in China), \$2.21; Upper Essex Ch., Rappahannock Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$2.27; White Stone Ch., Rappahannock (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$1; Farmyllie Ch., Appomatiox Assn. (W. M. S.), Bible woman in China, \$7.50; Taylorsville Ch., Dover Assn. (Sunday School), for the support of a native missionary in South China, \$20.24; Lower Northampton Ch., Accomae Assn., support of a foreign mission, \$15.50; Rivermont Ave. Ch., Strawberry Assn. (W. M. S.), P. W. Hamlet's salary, \$12.50; Fulton Ch., Dover Assn. (Young ladies and girls), hospital in China, Africa and Mexico, \$10; Hampton Ch., Peninsula Assn. (Little Joneses), boy school in China, \$4.70; Hampton Ch., Peninsula Assn. (Little Joneses), boy school in China, \$5; First Lynchburg Ch., Strawberry Assn. (W. M. S.), native worker in China, \$4.70; Hampton Ch., Rappahannock Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$5; White Stone Ch., Rappahannock Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$5; First Lynchburg Ch., Strawberry Assn. (W. M. S.), native worker in China, \$1.50; Franklin Ch., Black Water Assn. (W. M. S.), native worker in China, \$1.50; Grown Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memorial, \$1.00; Grove Ave. Ch., Dover Assn. (Philathea class), Bible woman in China, \$1.50; Columbia Ch., Potomac Assn. (Sunbeams), Williams Memoria

Previously reported, \$13,248.20. Total this year, \$18,781.10.

NEW YORK.—Thos. P. Miller Memorial, y E. C. M., Dr. T. O. Hearn. \$100. Previously reported, \$925. Total this year,

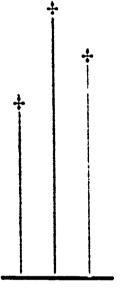
SOUTHERN BAPT. THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, LOUISVILLE, KY.—Seminary students, by R. E. Gunter, \$38.40.

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monthreported	\$18,632.86 94,583.73

Total this year\$113,216.59

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