Buffaloes and Boys

We were a few miles from Bombay on the highway which leads over the ghats and eastward into the Central Provinces. As our car moved past one of the many lagoons in that vicinity we passed these boys and buffaloes. The picture was typically India. It was too alluring not to get. So we snapped it.

India has 28,000,000 buffaloes. They are slow-moving, and keep the even tenor of their way. If you meet them on the road you must turn out for them. They are stupid or stubborn, or probably, both. Yet we have a friendly feeling for the buffaloes. We drink of their milk, when they are willing to give it, and eat of the butter made from it. We like to see these peaceful looking creatures lying submerged, all but their eyes and mouths, in the cool water of

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We had been talking with a godly brother, one of India’s saintly Christians. His wrinkled old face and sad eyes lighted up with the smile which is characteristic of him as he uttered the words, ‘He is faithful.’ We are not sure that he knew he was quoting from the Oracles of God, but there was no doubt as to his conviction that what he said was true.

He works for the Lord but there is no money for him in the ‘Workers Fund,’ because he is not what one could call a preacher. He is just a humble witness and sells books and Bible portions. We have been trusting with him that the Lord will enable us to keep up his allowance—about six dollars per month. And our conversation at the time was about that. ‘If we are faithful to pray and trust, God will send the money,’ we had said. ‘He is faithful,’ was the quick answer, with the emphasis on the right word and his faith in the right Person.

We felt justly rebuked, though we are sure that this dear brother did not dream that he had rebuked us. Yes, it is He, our Lord, Who is faithful, not we, even when we are trusting and obeying. For does not His faithfulness supply the grace we need in order to be faithful and does He not give us the very faith we exercise—‘the faith of the Son of God, who loved (us) and gave Himself for (us)?

This does not contradict the fact of our responsibility to believe. Rather, it emphasizes it. For while we should utterly fail if left to ourselves, we are endowed with the power of choice and may therefore take the grace which is proffered us by our faithful, loving Lord. While we trust and obey we rejoice in the One Who never fails.

(And we ever) can prove
The delights of His love
(If but) all on the altar we lay;
For the favour He shows,
And the joy He bestows,
Are for them who will trust and obey.

We may and can do this because ‘He is faithful.’

Just an Old Coat
BY MRS. K. D. GARRISON

It cost nine dollars, new, and had kept a Nyack student nice and warm, and the young pastor protected from the winter chill. It went to India with its owner. When seven years had rolled around,
it was again doing duty for its owner back in his 'ain countree.' Back again it went to India and again after seven years its owner took and used it until a new one came into existence. But again it came back to India.

This evening Daduji, a dear old Spirit-filled bookseller is its proud owner. Daduji has found it difficult to sell books in these disturbed days. He has had to trudge far; sleep where night overtook him. The weather in the cold season is often hot in the day time, then turns to sudden cold at night. Daduji is subject to asthma and had a severe cold.

So out came the faithful old coat from its missionary's treasure-chest. "Here, Daduji, is a coat to keep you warm." See his face—all wonder, all illumined with gratitude, all praiseful to his Heavenly Father. On went the coat and Daduji adjusted it. "Ah, mem-saheb," he said with awe, "surely now I am under His wings. How good He is! And you, thank you."

An old coat—twenty years old!—"Under His wings." A prayer wells up in my heart. "O God, make me more grateful to Thee for Thy daily, tender, loving care, and may I, too, like Daduji, be consciously 'under Thy wings.'"

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a pond or river, contentedly chewing their cud. They thus rebuke the fuss and hurry that is so apt to creep into our little lives.

About the boys? India has, roundly and conservatively, 60,000,000 of them. Boys of all sorts—big and little, bright and stupid, caste boys and outcasts—boys trained to be immaculate in dress and perfect in manners; others who never bathe or comb their hair and have to wear, if anything, a few filthy rags. Sixty millions of boys! India's tomorrow will be made by them.

They are not like the buffaloes. They are not, taken together, stupid or stubborn. They will not move in the even tenor of their way, uninfluenced by what they meet. They are on their toes for new things. They are eagerly peering toward the future and waiting for guidance which they can trust. Nearly all of them are ignorant of the Lord Jesus, the Friend of boys, the One and only Saviour of men.

Will you do what you can to help us give to as many of these 60,000,000 boys as we can reach, the good news, the one thing that will make them grow to be the good men of tomorrow?
Manik (Reader's right) with two of his converts

Nataya (center), his father (right) and neighbour
Give Thanks

For the evidence of God's presence and power in the churches in Gujarat, in establishing them in Christ and in lifting them to higher standards of living.

For the general health of the missionaries and our Indian Christians, when spinal meningitis and virulent smallpox have been epidemic, and when all around us sickness and death have been unusually prevalent.

For the spirit of conviction that came upon many of our people in many of the sabhas (camp-meetings).

For the young men who took a stand with God in our sabhas, against habits of sin, such as cigarette smoking, attendance upon moving pictures, etc.

For the souls won to Christ in the past touring season.

For the interest in the Gospel manifested in many places as the missionaries and Indian workers preached it during the touring season.

For the increasing number of churches which are altogether, or in part, self-supporting.

Concerning our Pictures

The "Buffaloes and Boys" picture explains itself. So does the "Tonsorial Artist and His Victim." The other pictures mean more than these, as pictures, to us, because of what they remind us of. Manikrao or "Manik" is a little modern Zacchaeus, as to height, but has proven himself taller than most of our Indian Christians in his service for the Lord whom he loves. His brother to his right and his father at the left of the group are two of his converts, and he has many more of his own "household" to whom salvation has come through his testimony. He does the work of an evangelist. Pray for him. Then, Nataya (pronounced, Nutu or Nutaya) is another of the same stamp, baptized more recently than Manik. Natu has been used of the Lord to win others and recently reports that a whole group of families are waiting to be baptized. Pray for these two young men. Potentially there are thousands like them. Oh, let us labour and pray to win them "for His name" Who is our Lord and theirs. Thus will we hasten His coming.
Calls for Prayer

Pray for the Summer Bible Schools for our Indian workers. This will comprise about six weeks of intensive Bible study, with some Church history, biography of eminent Christians, and kindred subjects. Held in July and August.

Pray for the missionaries and Indian brethren, who are assigned as teachers in the Workers Summer Schools. The work is strenuous and taxing. The rainy months are not conducive to intellectual effort. The Lord can give the life and inspiration and zest which will make these weeks to be a time of great blessing and revival. Ask Him about it, faithfully.

Pray for the first Prayer Conference and Retreat for the ordained pastors of the Gujarat Synod, to be held by the Mission and Synod, for three days in August or September.

Pray that the Lord will bring to naught the faith-destroying inroads of the Romanists in Gujarat and in Berar.

Pray for a high school lad and his wife, who wish to be baptized.

Pray for the seed that was sown in thousands of hearts during the touring season. Many heathen hearts were convicted. Now the seed must be watered. Pray.

Pray for the new converts. They are usually surrounded by heathenism. God works beautiful miracles of grace in answer to their simple faith. Ask Him to increase the number of these miracles and to use the same to win other hearts.

Pray for increased blessing and progress in our Sunday school work. God has blessed and is showing the way to greater things for our Sunday schools. Pray that saving grace may be revealed to many of our young people not yet born of the Spirit.

Pray for the young people of our churches, especially in the cities. These often attend heathen schools. Pray for their conversion and sanctification.

News and Notes

India has 68,737,000 Muhammadans. This is one-fifth of India's population and one-quarter of the world's Muhammadan population.

There is but one missionary, and that one often giving only part of his work, to 310,000 Muhammadans, in India.

Mrs. L. C. Cutler, accompanied by her daughter, Miss Faith C. Cutler, sailed for Canada via England, on February 14th. Mr. and
Mrs. Cutler have given India many years of service and are now placed on the list of our retired veteran missionaries. Miss Cutler is taking her first furlough at this time. For the present, Mr. Cutler will remain at Murtizapur which has been his home for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Eicher are rejoicing in the possession of a little daughter who arrived on the 18th of February. The happy parents have given her the honoured name, Ann.

After long months of suffering and battle against physical weakness, Mrs. Emma Auer sailed for furlough on the 28th of March. Mrs. Auer will spend a brief period among old home friends in England and then proceed to Toronto, Canada, to join her daughter, Miss Ruth Auer, who is a teacher there in Government schools.

Miss Harriet Beardslee has just left India for a well-earned furlough, due her more than a year ago. She stayed overtime gladly and is eager to get back as soon as the needed rest is over. Her faith and zeal in the Lord’s work have been used of the Lord to bless many of India’s people and her work in the Boys Boarding School at Santa Barbara has been signal ly blessed.

Money which is invested in foreign missions, accompanied with love of Christ and prayer, will never become a ‘frozen asset.’ It will always be at work and will return to the giver constant dividends of everlasting riches.

We have men in our Alliance Mission in India, and other trained and ready-to-go young men at home, who are eager to enter unoccupied parts of India. This is far more important to the welfare of the world than the discovery of unknown meteorological laws at the South Pole. Who will back these greater expeditions?
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