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AN UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY

West. India needs to be replaced on the map for the interest and support of the Christian Church. That the problem is a very complicated one goes without saying, but that its solution is in the main spiritual and not financial is equally evident.¹

Contrasts

I have just witnessed again a familiar scene. To the sound of weird wailing, a group of women were washing the body of their dead in a little lake, and then 'purifying' themselves by washing in the same lake: no wonder smallpox and cholera are rife! Further down the street, to the sound of death-drums and Indian flutes. a procession wended its way: women were bearing offerings to placate the Smallpox Goddess, in order that she might loose her hold on some loved one. One old mother wept and wailed as she stumbled along, and at every twenty paces or so she fell flat down in the mud and manure of the filthy road, and, beating her dishevelled grey head in the dirt, called wildly upon the name of the goddess: Mahamai! Ram! Mataji!' This she did all the way to the shrine of the goddess on the other side of the town. And the band, hired for the occasion, chirped and pounded wildly, giving the goddess good measure to please her and incline her heart to spare this mother's son.

Let me give you two pictures as a contrast :-

At our sunrise service at Easter time, during the testimony meeting, a little boy of seven, whose father had died only a few days before, got up and repeated the 'verse' his young mother had taught him: 'He is not here, he is risen. Why seek ye the living among the dead?' The young widow was left with three small boys, of whom this was the eldest. A heathen woman in her case would have been wild with uncontrollable grief, but she goes steadfastly and trustfully on, day by day, her face bright with the joy and peace that Jesus gives.

The beautiful, dearly loved baby boy of one of our Biblewomen died very suddenly in the heat last summer. His mother went up and down, day after day, preaching Christ among the heathen women, and her testimony, given by words and by her shining face, was a mighty witness to the joy and comfort of the Lord she loves. Many heathen mothers have been gripped by this marvel, the marvel of the 'comfort in Christ.'

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¹ Some of the implications of this will be considered in a succeeding article in reference especially to the situation in the United Provinces.