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education, reveal the urgency of the present opportunity. Arabia, as well as other Moslem lands, is confronting the approach of a fearful religious collapse. Secularism is taking the place of the old religious sanctions. It will be a terrible thing if that collapse comes without sufficient preparation on the part of the Christian Church to enter Arabia with the Gospel. When old institutions are breaking down beyond all possibility of recovery, when Western influences and trade are compelling the Arabs to change their mode of life, what will take the place of the old faith? The recent experience of medical missionaries in Ryad, the capital of central Arabia, are so thrilling that they are sufficient in themselves to challenge the youth of to-day to the great adventure. What has been done on the east coast of Arabia should now be attempted in the northern provinces of the interior and along the western and southern stretches of the peninsula. How could God reveal His will more clearly than He does to-day by His Providence in fashioning the hearts of kings who are friendly to His messengers? Now is the time for a great advance. When the pessimist faces an opportunity he sees a difficulty, but the optimist faces a difficulty and sees an opportunity. The Chinese word for 'crisis,' I am told, consists of two characters, 'danger' and 'opportunity.' That is still the symbol of the call to Arabia, even as it was fifty years ago.

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### A Government Officer's Tribute

'In this difficult transitional period,' writes Mr. D. M. Miller in his new book *Central Africa Revisited*,<sup>1</sup> 'there can be no question but that the missionary of the Cross holds the key of Africa's destiny. As one Government official observed: "The missionary, living as he does year in year out exclusively, and upon friendly terms, among the natives, having little contact with the non-native world to distract him, almost invariably speaking the local language fluently, must acquire a knowledge of native life which cannot be attained by the average administrative officer!" He added further: "I am glad to see that, as the years pass, relations between Government officials and missionaries continue to improve. The influence of missionaries is very great, and will become much greater when their hundreds of thousands of youthful followers reach middle age and tribal influence."'

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