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a native helper, to some village or market town, when a great fair or theatre is in progress, to spend a few days in scattering broadcast the gospel seed anong the throngs of country women who gather for such occasions.
When I look around our company of Christian women, with their quiet modest dress and unbound feet (for our Christians no longer bind their little girls' feet, and many of them have unbound their own), when I look into their bright intelligent faces and note their interest in so many things that are going ou in the world, when I see the dignified womanly way in which they lead meetings or give reports of their work, and then look baek and think of the women as 1 saw them in those early days, it is indeed marvelons the ealuge which the guspel has wrought.
The ehanged attitude coward education has naturally its dangers. With their broader knowledge, there is already awakening in the hearts of some of our younger women a determination not to be married but to give their lives to Christian work. They see no reason why they should not be teachers and evangelists as well as we. It is one of the difficult problems still to be solved-God grant to them and to us the Spirit's own wisdom to solve it aright.-Life and Light.

## PRAYER AND PAINS.

Don't you think, John, that the time has come to recognize the claims of Jesus Christ?'' An old schoolmaster, looked into the bright, expectant face of his favorite pupil, asked the question earnestly, and then wisely left the lad to his own thoughts. The fierce battle, the rebellion. and the final yielding to the call of God's Spirit-no story has ever been written telling of these, but a few years later the lad, John Eliot, went out from the schoolroom to his mission to the American Indian. After his death, upon the flyleaf of the Indian grammar which he had made, was found written: "Prayer and Pains through faith in Jesus Christ can do anything." The years passed-his work seemingly left unfinished.
"I do not seem to have found any corner. I--I do not believe God can use me!"' And the fine, sensitive face of the young man quivered with disappointed
ever seen this little book?"--taniag from a shelf John Eliot's Indian grammar in which was written, "Prayer and Pains through faith in Jesus Christ can do anything," and handing it to him. "Look it over, together with this copy of the Life of John Eliot, and let me know what you think of it." And after looking it over, David said to his friend: O, I know what I shall do; I'll take John Eliott's work where he leftit." And David Brainerd became the successor of John Eliot. Two years he worked, and then fell sick and died; so well had he wrought that the great Jonathan Edwards cried in his grief: "I believe that God blundered when he let David Brainerd die." But (iod had not blundered. Jonathan Edwards, with tender, sympathetio touch, told the story in the Life and Letters of David Brainerd, and one day a copy fell into the hands of the schoolmaster cobbler in England. The cobbler became oppressed with the darkness of heathenism the world over; he interested his neighhors; he became a preacher; and at last he, William Carey, became the founder of the modern missionary movement.
But the mission of the Life and Letters of David Brainerd did not end there. Another copy found its way into the hands of a godly young woman, and finding the book inspiring reading, she sent a copy to her brother at (ambridge. He opened the book in the early evening. It was two in the morning when he turned the last page. It was gray dawn when he rose from his knees. And Henry Martyn followed in the frotsteps of William Carey.-Nashville Christian Advorate.

## HEADACHE AND OPTIMISM.

Don't forget that health makes for happiness, happiness makes for health. So don't be a grouch, even 'if you don't feel just first rate. It may be safely assumed that the habitual grouch and grumbler has some chronic physical ail ments; and the chances are, too, that the grouchy disposition tends to aggravate his physical troubles. So keep your temper, look on the bright side of things, take the sunny side of the street, get all the fresh air you need, and you'll pull thourgh all right.
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In our higher and happier moods, I think we all have visions of the truth that that we never are nor can be paid for our best save only in the doing of it. Our finest devotion is never recompensed in terms of the market. It never can be. We give ourselves, and find in return our larger life.-Frederick L. Hosmer.
-The Imperial Tailor of Burlington, N. C. will have a representative at Elon College Tnesday, Jan. 14th, to take your measure for a spring suit. Don't fail to see him.

An old Scottish farmer being elected a member of the local School Board visited the school and tested the intelligence of the class by questions. His Grst question was:
"Noo, boys, can any one of you tell me what nothing is?"
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Gleams from a recent examination in the San Franciseo school: "Define fathom. and form a sentence with it." "A lathom is six feet. A fly has a fathom." Define species." "Species is kind. A boy must be a species to his mother." "Define odorless." "Odorless is without scent. A man who is odorless cannot ride in a car."
-Pacific Unitarian.

