

on the Continent, has our tender sympathy in the great personal sorrows of the past year.

Miss Agnes E. Slack hopes in the autumn to visit Bulgaria and other European points.

Miss Lochhead is hard at work in India; Miss Flora E. Strout is working toward a National Convention for Burma before the close of 1912; Miss Ruth Frances Davis wisely guides our great work in Japan; Miss Anderson Hughes will soon be on her way to the United States, and will be one of our speakers at the coming National Convention in Portland, Oregon; Mrs. Lee-Cowie and Miss Johansdottir, in Australasia and Norway respectively, are winning many friends for our principles and plans.

India and Japan appeal to the World's W.C.T.U. for aid in building National W.C.T.U. headquarters. Such headquarters we consider essential to the permanence and prosperity of our work in these countries. And China, with its vast millions of population, must be helped. After a home furlough in the United States and careful study of W.C.T.U. methods, Mrs. Chauncey Goodrich returns to China in August. Her work as our representative in China will be reinforced by that of her daughter, Miss Grace, a graduate of Oberlin College (Ohio), who accompanies her mother under commission from the World's W.C.T.U.

After a pleasure trip round the world, Mrs. Ella Hoover Thacher, of New Jersey, U.S.A., World's Superintendent of the Department of Work among Soldiers and Sailors, has just reached home. We are greatly indebted to Mrs. Thacher for many addresses made under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. at various points, also for local societies organised, and for children's work she has encouraged and inaugurated. Many of our faithful Temperance workers have been cheered by Mrs. Thacher's generous financial gifts in aid of their work.

Never were the opportunities for extending our work in Europe, Asia, Africa, yes, and the "Islands of the Sea," so vast and hopeful as to-day. With funds and with workers at our command, we could take advantage of many vitally important openings and of the growing spirit of co-operation with missionaries of many denominations. In the face of the liquor and tobacco monopolies of Great

Britain and America, that seek to possess the East for their trade, our splendid leaders in the Orient, with heroic faith, courage, and self-sacrifice, continue their campaign of education.

A set of valuable charts, eight in number, have just been brought out by the National W.C.T.U. at Evanston, Illinois. They were prepared by Dr. Louise C. Purington and Miss Ella G. Ives, of Boston, who reproduced them from charts exhibited by the W.C.T.U. at "The World in Boston." We beg you to do all in your power to extend the circulation of these charts.

Lady Henry Somerset, for many years President of the World's W.C.T.U., is making a well-nigh miraculous recovery from two critical operations. After many weeks of intense suffering in a private hospital in London, Lady Henry will, it is hoped, soon return to Duxhurst and resume direction of the Farm Colony for Inebriate Women. We learn through a letter from Lady Henry's sister, the Duchess of Bedford, that it is proposed to raise a Thank Offering as a welcome and surprise to Lady Henry, whose birthday, August 3rd, will, we trust, be spent in her cosy cottage home at Duxhurst. I believe all our countries will wish, by contributing to the Thank Offering Fund, to show their deep sense of gratitude that Lady Henry has been spared to continue this wonderful enterprise.

Our Vice-President, Mrs. Stevens, with her usual devotion, wisdom, and activity, keeps our work humming in state and nation, as well as constantly aiding the World's W.C.T.U. She unites with me in a message of loving grateful remembrance to all White Ribboners who may read this letter, and especially to those who bear heavy responsibilities.

One of the latest signs of progress for the temperance reform in the United States is the fact that our inventor, Thomas A. Edison (a total abstainer, by the way), is investing several millions of dollars in the preparation of moving picture films for public school use, and the finest experts in our country are at work preparing the films to be used in connection with the study of physiology to show the effects of alcohol and other narcotics on the human system. The mighty force of electricity is thus to be harnessed to the chariot of temperance reform

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MISS M. J. HARRISON,
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to carry the rising generation on toward our final victory.

The next World's Convention is to be held in Brooklyn, New York, November, 1913.

Yours, in the bonds of loving friendship,

ANNA A. GORDON.