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Preface.

NO more striking illustration could be afforded of the way in which God is opening the door for the spread of the good tidings of the Gospel in the East, than that which is contained in the following simple narrative of a lady missionary's work in Kashmir.

I remember meeting Dr. Elmslie—that splendid pioneer of C.M.S. medical missions—in General Lake's house, in Lahore, in 1866. He was not the first missionary in Kashmir, for a lady claims that honour—Mrs. Robert Clark, wife of the Panjab missionary veteran. But Dr. Elmslie was the first to establish a regular mission in that country, though he was only allowed to remain there during the visitors' season, and had to come away in the winter.

I remember the difficulties which he experienced and the obstructions which were placed in the way of his work at that time. I remember that prayers were offered in General

Lake's house for the removal of those difficulties and obstructions; and how some of them were removed before Dr. Elmslie was taken Home in 1873.

But who ever thought that in less than a generation the door would be opened wide to missionary effort in Kashmir, and that important medical and educational institutions would be established there under the control of the missionaries with the full sanction and approval of the State authorities? And who ever supposed that within forty years a lady missionary would be able to write in regard to work in the Kashmir zenanas: "Invitations to visit and teach come faster than we can respond to them"?

May some of the readers of these pages be led to devote themselves to this grand work!

W. MACKWORTH YOUNG.

*Wimbledon,
4th November, 1902.*

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