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A Buddhist Hymnal With Hymns That Were in Use Four Centuries Before Christ—The Intimate and Interesting Glimpse of Buddhist Philosophy They Give—Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, a Christian Lobbyist, and What he Has Done.

Mr. Albert J. Edmonds, of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, has translated into English an anthology of Buddhist devotional poetry, bearing the title of "Dhammapada" ("Path of Virtue.") These ancient verses can be traced back to the utterances of Gotama and his disciples, and are gathered from early hymns by monks and from the popular poetic proverbs of India. They were recited in Buddhist monasteries, from Ceylon to Afghanistan, for 400 years, until, about 40 B. C., they began to be transcribed, at first in Ceylon alone, but afterward wherever the Buddhist religion became current. The poems are rendered into archaic and poetic English, and give a most intimate glimpse of the Buddhist philosophy. They cover every human relation, and bear such simple titles as "Happiness," "Anger," "The Heart," "Oneself," "The World," and "The Way." Many of the Christian maxims find their counterpart here. There is the injunction:

Do as you would be done by,
Kill not nor cause to kill;
And, again, we read:
Overcome anger with kindness,
Overcome evil with good,
Overcome meanness with a gift,
Ay, and a liar with truth.

The dominant feeling, however, is one of contemplation and of self-containedness. "The best of doctrines is passionless," we are told, and "the earnest, meditative man obtains an ample joy." The Buddhist ideal is probably best indicated by such lines as these:
Rapt, blameless, settled, with his duties alone,
Without depravities, the highest goal attained,
Him do I call a Brahman.

For whom by body, speech, and mind
No misdemeanor is,
In these three points restrained,
Him do I call a Brahman.

Whoso when every fetter is cut off,
Doth tremble not,
From ties escape, unfettered—
Him do I call a Brahman.

Whoso, though innocent, endures abuse,
Among the violent extinct,
Engrieving among those who grasp—
Him do I call a Brahman.

The human yoke renounced,
The yoke divine transcended is,
Yokeless of every yoke:
Him do I call a Brahman.

Delight renounced, and undelight,
Cold with substrata gone,
The Hero, who hath mastered every world:
Him do I call a Brahman.

The London Academy and Literature in a review of this "Buddhist Classic," comments as follows:
In these Buddhist doctrinal hymns there is no speculation, no argument, no uncertainty, no adventurous flight into the unknown. The gospel of seclusion and calm. * * * The beasts are tamed for ordered action, man for inaction. It is a negation of the will to live, so that all bodily desires being extinct, the individual soul may cease to endure any further transmutations, and be absorbed in the universal soul. This is to attain Nirvana, and it is precisely against this that the Western mind, nurtured upon another creed, revolts. There is no such word as God in the "Dhammapada." Man seeks no help from without; still less he is pursued by that heavenly lover who will win him in spite of himself. There is no salvation by faith here, no encouragement to propagandism and the missionary spirit:

As the bee hurting not the flower,
Its color and its fragrance,
Flies away with the nectar,
So let a sage live in a village.

Not others' ways perverse,
Nor others' done or undone deed,
But his own deeds
Done and undone must he regard.

There is no clarion appeal of salvation for all men; rather the elect constitute an aristocracy which is in the world, but not of it.

The crowds are quite contented with phenomena;
Beyond phenomena the Perfect Ones.

We are too far West for the absolute doctrine of passionless, and there is not enough in these hymns of lyrical fervor, of eager naturalization. But Mr. Edmonds has done his best; his version is scholarly and good, and the explanatory notes few and always helpful. Sometimes the simple directness of his language could not be improved, as in Buddha's cry of enlightenment:

Having myself supremely understood,
Whom shall I teach?

In an introduction to the book Mr. Edmonds pays an elegant tribute to these "Dhammapada" verses. "If ever an immortal classic was produced upon the continent of Asia," he declares, "it is this." He writes further:

Perhaps it is too ambitious a wish to hope to naturalize in English this Buddhist Holy Writ, as the King James version has naturalized the Christian; but if I fail some one else will succeed. No trite ephemeral songs are here, but red-hot lava from the abysses of the human soul, in one of the two of its most historical eruptions. These old refrains from a life beyond time and sense, as it was

fought out by generations of earnest thinkers, have been fire to many a muse. They burned in the brains of the Chinese pilgrims, who braved the blasts of the Mongolian deserts, climbed the cliffs of the Himalayas, swung by the rope-bridge across the Indus where it rages through its gloomiest gorge, and faced the bandit and the beast, to peregrinate the Holy Land of their religion, and tread in the footsteps of the Master. Verses were graven on the walls of august temples at the command of Hindu emperors who abolished capital punishment, mitigated slavery, and established hospitals for men and animals, under the sway of this marvelous cult; and by Ceylon monarchs whose ruined reservoirs, as large as lakes, astonish us among the wonders of antiquity. And today, after 20 centuries of Roman and Christian culture, they have won the admiration of Europeans.

LIFE.

Life is the journey of a day. We rise in the morning of youth, full of vigor, full of expectation; we set forward with spirit and hope, with gaiety and with diligence, and travel on awhile in the straight road of piety toward the mansions of rest. In a short time we remit our fervor, and endeavor to find some mitigation of our duty, and some more easy means of obtaining the same end. We then relax our vigor and resolve to be terrified no longer with crimes at a distance, but rely upon our own constancy, and venture to approach what we resolved never to touch. We thus enter the bowers of ease and repose in the shades of security. Here the heart softens and vigilance subsides; we are then willing to inquire whether another advance can not be made, and whether we may not, at least, turn our eyes upon the gardens of pleasure. We approach them with scruple and hesitation, we enter them, but enter timorous and trembling, and always hope to pass through them without losing the road of virtue, which we for a while, keep in our sight, and to which we propose to return. But temptation succeeds temptation, and one compliance prepares us for another; we in time lose the happiness of innocence, by degrees we let fall the remembrance of our original intention, and quit the only adequate object of rational desire. We entangle ourselves in business, surround ourselves with luxury, and rove through the labyrinth of inconstancy till the darkness of old age begins to invade us, and disease and anxiety obstruct our way. We then look back upon our lives with sorrow, with repentance, and wish, but too often vainly wish, that we had not forsaken the ways of virtue. Happy are they, my son, who shall learn from thy example not to despair, but shall remember, that though the day is past, and their strength is wasted, there yet remains one effort to be made; that reformation is never hopeless, that he who implores strength and courage from above shall find danger and difficulty give way before him. Go now, my son, to thy repose; commit thyself to the care of Omnipotence; and when the morning calls again to toil, begin anew thy journey.—Samuel Johnson, from the Rambler.

SOME REAL FACTS ABOUT THE AUTUMN.

Autumn is here. Forests are blushing down to the roots of their trees. Leaves are deserting their parent stems. All the little insects are being tucked up to sleep under the grass. Chipmunks are busy with fall housecleaning, and are laying in their winter supplies. Bears are getting drowsy. The ozone is getting ready for business. The north wind is practicing his annual whistle.

Cities are beginning to bustle. Streets are being congested. Tailors are sitting up nights, and dressmakers are having a trying time.

Autumn is here. Footballs are being sadly treated. College campuses are keeping late hours. Sweaters are beginning to stretch themselves.

Sofas are creaking with a double weight. Grate fires and lovers lips are crackling. Back parlors are in use again. Flies are no more.

Gas meters are beginning to hum, and coal bins to ebb and flow. Furnaces are warming up. Only the moths are disconsolate.

Autumn! Knots are being tied. Honeymoons are being dreamed through. All the birds are flying south and all the buds are coming north. Beaches are all alone, and all the flats are loaded.

Autumn is here and Christmas is in sight, while Cupid laughs to himself and says: "All seasons look alike to me."—From Life.

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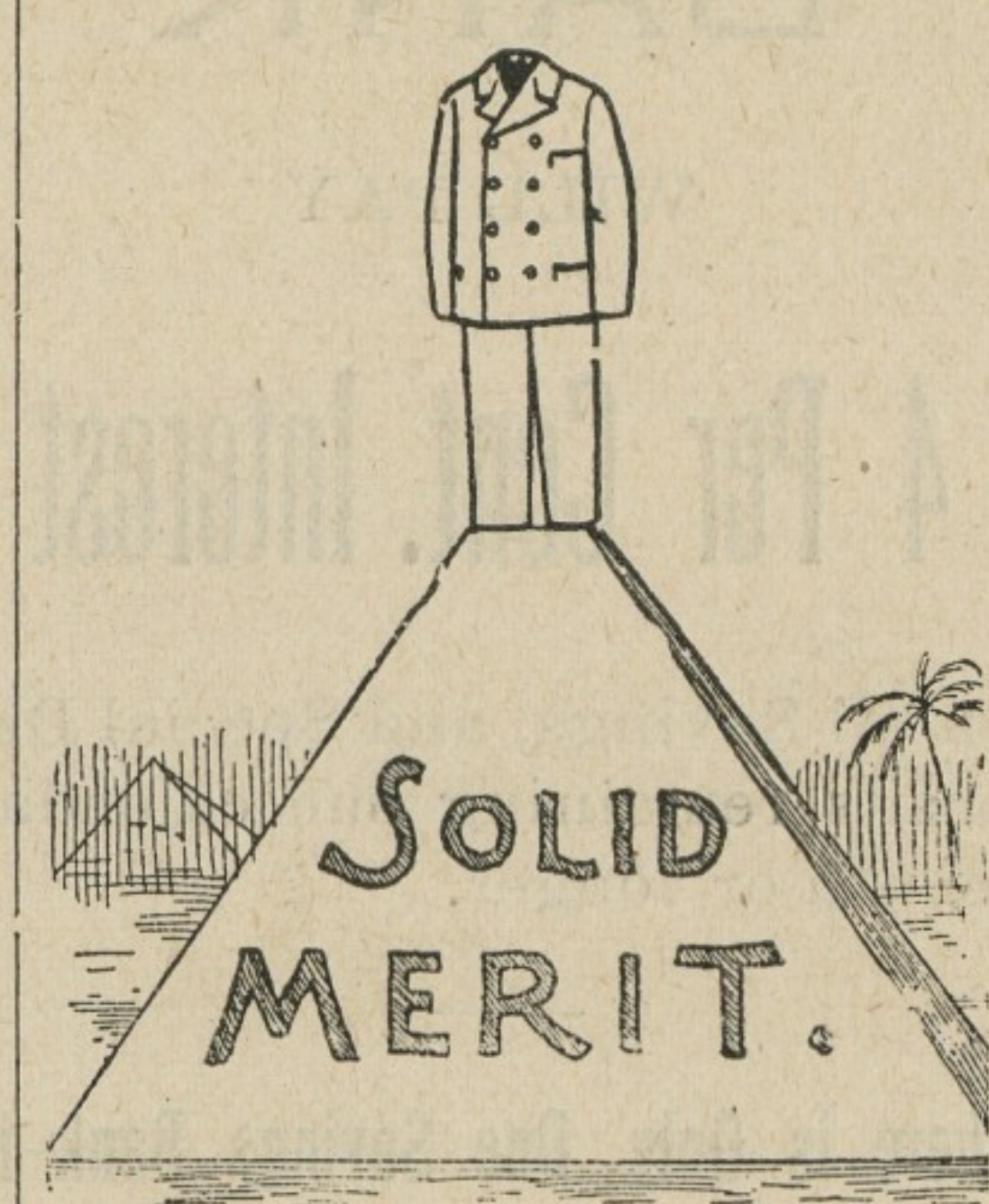
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