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physical wrecks could be put on the high road to recovery. Similarly the present unrestricted consumption of opium on the part of tribes like the Kachins (Jinghpaws), where the population is being decimated through the drug, would need to be stopped, and heavy penalties attached to smuggling, while compulsory medical treatment could be made possible with a little careful planning. The benefits resulting would soon be realized by the communities concerned. What a tragedy it would be if Burma were behind China in getting rid of this curse!

'The scientific news of to-day is the scientific fallacy of to-morrow. . . . Science is helpless to explain the nature of reality. If we want reassurance as to 'the purpose of man,' we can only turn to religion.'

—A. W. Haslett, in the *Morning Post* on the over-glorification of Science.

In 'Sacred' Benares

In Benares, the great religious centre of Hinduism, there is a road which makes a semi-circle from the river bank back to the river bank. This is thirty-five miles long and everything within the half-circle is sacred. All pilgrims travel over this thirty-five miles, and at every few yards there are temples and shrines. Benares contains some two thousand temples and its shrines are legion. All Hindus believe in re-incarnation, but they also believe that if they die in Benares they will be exempt from the penalty of rebirth in this world and ensure final emancipation.

In the early morning, as one approaches the sacred river, the labyrinth of narrow, tortuous streets is so crowded as to be almost impassable. We took a boat and sailed on the river. We saw the pilgrims coming down to bathe and people bringing their dying and their dead: the dead to be burned and the dying to be bathed in the Holy Ganges. As we walked along the narrow streets, holy men, the dirtier the holier, pestered us for alms, and it was difficult to avoid treading upon the rows of beggars. We felt in Benares as if the concentration of hopeless heathenism would choke us. Mr. Das, who accompanied us, carries on with the Rev. J. Jackson, continuous evangelism in this citadel of heathendom. He told us that some years ago he would have been met with opposition in his distribution of Christian literature, but now the name of Christ is respected, and no one refuses to take tracts from him.

—*From the Editor's Diary.*