# THE RENAISSANCE IN INDIA

## ITS MISSIONARY ASPECT

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#### Dedication

# To the Bisbop of Winchester

#### and Mrs Talbot

My dear Bishop,

Do you remember that Christmas Day in 1909 sitting in my room at Delhi with Mrs Talbot, and telling me of the anxiety and gloom in Government circles concerning the Indian Unrest; and do you remember, also, my telling you of the bitterness and resentment among educated Indians during that sad Christmas-tide of doubt and fear?

I want to dedicate this book to you and Mrs Talbot, as it will tell you much about Educated India and the Unrest which I could not tell you then, and Mrs Talbot will find in it something, quite inadequate, about the Indian Woman's Movement. And I want above all, to tell you, on this very first page, how different things are now since the visit of our dear King and Queen—I know not which did most to change them, the King or the Queen, for it was a personal triumph of both from beginning to end—the triumph of goodness and simplicity and love. If the resentment and the gloom are lessened,—and I believe they are,—it is due to the boldness and the wisdom of that visit.

Your affectionate friend,

C. F. ANDREWS,

Delhi.

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### EDITOR'S PREFACE

The present volume is distinguished from its predecessors in several notable respects. The United Council for Missionary Study is happy in being able this year to provide more adequately for the varying needs of Study Circles by publishing two text-books for adults. That by the Rev. Godfrey Phillips, M.A., entitled The Outcastes' Hope is of a simpler and more concrete character than The Renaissance in India, dealing as it does with village life and work. It has therefore been possible for the Rev. C. F. Andrews, M.A., to devote himself more directly to the discussion of wide problems of Missionary policy, and to the setting forth of methods of approach to the smaller but more influential class of students and educated people in the light of their own national ideals and in view of the prevailing unrest in India.

This has made appropriate—and, indeed, necessary—a greater element of personal opinion in the treatment of the topic than has been the general rule in previous text-books. The criterion of excellence in a study text-book being its power to stimulate thought, discussion, and devotion, and the great value and influence of Mr Andrews' point of view being self-evident, the Editor determined, with the concurrence of the Editorial Committee, to make no attempt to work the Author's material into anything like an expression of communal opinion on every point, but rather to let Mr Andrews make his own

appeal, intervening only with a slight qualification or expansion here or there. That this course will be abundantly justified in the minds of the readers as they follow Mr Andrews' line thought and appreciate its power we are fully convinced. At the same time it is due to Mr Andrews to remind those who are awaiting his book so eagerly that his work is not presented wholly untouched. It has been of the greatest advantage to be able to consult personally with Mr Andrews during the latter half of the time during which the book has been in preparation. We would accord much gratitude to him for his great willingness to receive and incorporate suggestions and criticisms from all quarters: for the book has been very widely read in proof by authoritative people. To insert a list of all who have rendered us this service would be scarcely possible; but an especial debt of thanks is due to Miss A. W. Richardson, Miss de Sélincourt, and Miss G. M. Weitbrecht, the Rev. Herbert Anderson, J. N. Farquhar, Esq., M.A., the Rev. W. E. S. Holland, M.A., W. W. Pearson, Esq., M.A., the Rev. Canon C. H. Robinson, D.D., and the Rev. Canon Waller, M.A., for their great help. Every Society has been represented either on the Editorial Committee or among the Consultants.

For photographs and blocks we are indebted to the B.M.S., the C.M.S., the L.M.S., the S.P.G., the U.F. Church, and to the Author, Canon Hayes, A. C. Judd, Esq., Miss Pearson, Miss M. Hope Simpson, and Miss L. Stevenson. The

index is the work of Miss Leadbeater.

It should be explained that two topics of the greatest importance have of intention received only passing reference in this book. The first is that of the place of Islam in the life of India

and of Missions to Muhammadans in the activities of the Church. This has been treated in *The Reproach of Islam*, by the Rev. W. H. T. Gairdner, M.A. The second is that of the part that Anglo-Indians (i.e. 'Eurasians') will play in the future development of India, and the duty of the Church towards them. But this needs a volume to itself in order that it may be properly surveyed.

To each chapter of the earlier text-books were appended questions designed to help students to master for themselves the facts of that chapter. It was decided (as in the case of The Future of Africa) that this should no longer be done because such questions are not infrequently used as assignments, and the "Helps to Leaders" issued by the various Societies have not been properly utilised. At the same time it is hoped that the brief analysis by which each chapter of this book is prefaced may serve the same purpose of aiding students to realise more quickly what are the chief points to which thought should be directed. It only remains to add that for all faults of form the Editor is alone responsible.

The Editorship of this book has been an especially delightful privilege. For the Author kindles a rare enthusiasm in those whose good fortune it is to call him friend. The great company of those who read this book will quickly realise why. For two things are written in

letters of light across every page:

AD MAIOREM DEI GLORIAM. UT OMNES UNUM SINT.

B. A. Y.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to Appendix VL

missionary societies, who have criticised and corrected the material which I have set before them for publication. It is a great happiness to me to know that, after their labours, so many societies are able to adopt this as a text-book for their study circles.

I would thank Babu Ramananda Chatterji, the Hon. Sacchidananda Sinha, the Editor of The East and the West, and the Editor of the Church Times for their kindness in allowing me to quote from articles of mine which have appeared in periodicals published by them. And, as in private duty bound, I would add my special thanks to many close personal Indian friends, both Christian and non-Christian, who have given me the stimulus necessary to serious thinking and set before me the Indian point of view. Among these I would venture to name Principal S. K. Rudra, Padre S. A. C. Ghose and Pandit Janki Nath of Delhi, Dr S. K. Datta of Lahore, Prof. Raju of Madras, Prof. Mukerji of Allahabad, and Mr K. Natarajan of Bombay. others I would name who have now passed to their rest,-Maulvi Nazir Ahmad and Munshi Zaka Ullah. To their memory I would pay this last tribute of gratitude and affection.

C. F. ANDREWS.

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## NOTE

This text-book is intended primarily for use in Mission Study Circles, and in connection with it Suggestions to Leaders concerning the making of assignments, etc., have been prepared. The Editorial Committee strongly recommend all Circles to make use of these "Suggestions." They may be obtained by writing to the Mission Study Secretary at any of the addresses given below.

The following Editions of this text-book are published:—BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY, 19 Furnival Street, E.C. CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY, Salisbury Square, E.C. CHURCH OF SCOTLAND FOREIGN MISSION COMMITTEE, 22 Queen Street, Edinburgh.

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For the Exhibit of Social and Missionary Need held in connection with the Student Conference in Liverpool, January 1912, and subsequently in London and Edinburgh respectively, a number of striking charts were prepared, and proved most valuable as an aid to the study of the various great religions, forming in each case the walls of the court devoted to that special topic. Those on Hinduism (upon which Appendices I. and II. are modelled) have been reproduced, full size, by the Council responsible for this book. Study Circles are strongly urged to make use of these, and the set, numbering in all more than a dozen, may be obtained for 3s. 6d., post free, of the Missionary Societies or of the United Council for Mission Study, 78 Fleet Street, E.C.

## PROLOGUE

In the beginning was the Word, And the Word was with God, And the Word was God: The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by Him, And without Him was not anything made. That which hath been made Was life in Him.

And the Life was the Light of men, And the Light shineth in the darkness, And the darkness overcame it not.

There was the true Light, The Light which lighteth every man Coming into the world.

He was in the world,
And the world was made by Him,
And the world knew Him not.
He came unto His own,
And His own received Him not.

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But as many as received Him, To them gave He power To become children of God— To them that believe on His name.

Which were born, not of blood, Nor of the will of the flesh, Nor of the will of man, But of God.

And the Word became flesh,
And dwelt among us,
And we beheld His glory,
As of the only begotten of the Father.
Full of grace and truth.

THE CITY OF DELIU, SEEN FROM THE MINARET OF THE GREAT MOSQUE