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GLION,

SWITZERLAND,

May 23rd, 1906.

My DEAR FRIENDS,

June

I feel that I must not depart from my usual custom of writing you a letter during the time I am away for my holidays, and I feel that I cannot do better than give you a short description of our very beautiful surroundings Glion is a small village perched high up here. on the mountain side. The Lake of Geneva lies nearly 2000 feet below us. Almost all round us there are mountains from 7000 to 12,000 feet high. All at the present time are covered with Some of them never lose the snow all snow. Two days ago we could see the year round. nothing because of the clouds which covered everything, now the view is perfect. The Lake at this point is seven miles wide and excellent rapid steamers are continually passing to and fro. The mountain sides are covered with trees, and in every direction there are shady walks, some of them extending for many miles, with most beautiful and varied scenery all the way. On the hottest days delicious and cool shade is to be found, and on the coldest there are warm sheltered spots. Towns and villages are dotted about all round the Lake and on the mountain sides, and the many thousand lights when they are all lighted up with electric light at night make it like fairyland. Even the small villages have electric light, which is worked by the mountain streams. Nothing is so striking here as the myriads of wild flowers that grow everywhere. Flowers that we grow at home with the greatest care in our gardens, here grow in the wildest profusion by the road-side and in every field. At the present time the hill-sides are white with narcissus, which we are told is looked upon as a troublesome weed by the natives, and they try to get rid of it. The farmers are cutting the grass, or rather the flowers, for there are certainly more flowers than grass. Almost every day fresh varieties are produced, and one of the greatest delights is to gather them. I do not think it is possible to imagine a much more beautiful spot than this, and people from all parts of the world seem to have found it out, especially English people. In the towns and villages there are literally hundreds of hotels for visitors, and great as the district is you can rarely go many yards without meeting English speaking people; and strange to say there are almost as many Church of England churches as any others. Of course

they are small, but it seems as if our people felt wherever they go they must have their Church, and they build one as soon as they can. Last Sunday the Church here was quite full, and our little services were certainly very hearty. I hope soon to be at home and amongst you again, wonderfully refreshed by this delightful holiday.

I am, my dear Friends,

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES R. JOB.

CHURCH MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

A Sale of Work will be held at Mrs. Barton's, Bromborough, Park Road, Hampton Hill, on Wednesday, June 20th, 1906, from 4 to 6.30. p.m. The Members of the St. James' Sowers' Band will give two performances "Round the World with the Alphabet," in costume and verse. Admission by ticket, adults 3d., children penny, at 3.30 and 5 o'clock. Useful and pretty articles, toys, tea and refreshments for sale.

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MARRIAGES.

"O Lord, send them help from Thy Holy Place, and evermore mightily defend them."

May 5-William Alfred Ernest Ketteringham to Annie Kauffmann.

BURIALS.

I am the resurcction and the life saith the Lord, he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Me shall never die."— St. john, xi, 25, 26.

April 24—Eliza Wenham, aged 69 years. ,, 30—William Robert James Jackson, aged 83 years. May 16—William Graham Sparks, aged 33 years.