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PREFACE

From the very first it had been the intention of the compiler to prepare a copy of 찬양가 with the words only, in larger type for the use of Koreans; but this edition was hastened by the news that the edition with the music was already used up.

In this volume a number of new hymns have been added and it is with a great deal of satisfaction that it can be stated that of the thirty odd new ones five, or almost one sixth, are of native composition. No's 222, 131, 140, 143 and 147.

The more we can have of native hymns instead of translations the nearer we will reach the heart of the people.

There are, in the present volume, 150 hymns but it is not for one moment meant that the Koreans can learn or have learned all the old ones yet, nor is it supposed that all will meet with equal favor from missionaries, but the larger the number to choose from the greater the range of subjects, and the more nearly will the different tastes of both missionaries and natives be met.

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