

Letters from Lottie

AN 'UNSELFISH' SAINT

Dec. 5, 1912

Mr. I. M. Andrews, Roanoke, Virginia

Dear Sir:

Your letter to Dr. Willingham has been referred to me in his absence. The cable message with reference to Miss Lottie Moon came last Sunday, stating that her mind was seriously impaired, and that it would be necessary for her to come home immediately. She is accompanied by Miss Cynthia Miller, one of our missionaries who is a trained nurse. She will reach San Francisco on January 13th, 1913. Dr. Willingham will be back tomorrow or next day, and he will write you immediately about arrangements for meeting her. We are greatly distressed over the sad news. She has been a heroic worker. Dr. T. W. Ayers, one of our missionaries who is at home, and who knew her while in North China, says, She is one woman who will have her crown covered with stars. "She is one of the most unselfish saints God ever made. I am so glad to say this of her while she lives." I write this to show you how the missionaries feel about her. We do not know the cause of her deranged mental condition. It is entirely possible I think that the ocean voyage and rest may do much to restore her health, though, of course, everything depends on the cause of the trouble.

Sincerely yours, Smith