

comparative ease. But one poor old woman, who seemed to belong to the better classes, had such tightly bound feet that only by leaning heavily on a cane in one hand and upon the shoulder of a little boy with the other, was she able to support herself at all, and then every few steps she stopped and leaned against the wall to rest her poor aching feet.

We spent one Sabbath in Shanghai, but that was not "a day of rest and gladness" to them, for work and play went on just the same; they have only about two holidays in the whole year. We met a great many missionaries representing the different societies in China. Some of them were from the interior, who told us of their work there, and all spoke of the work being much more encouraging and hopeful inland than on the coast. We visited all the hospitals in Shanghai, and the one which interested me most was in connection with the Woman's Christian Union of America. It is altogether managed by two ladies, a doctor and trained nurse, and these two are doing a splendid work among the women and children in the suburbs of Shanghai. I got many practical hints from them about hospital work in China, which I have stored up for future use in Honan.

We left Shanghai on the following Tuesday morning, and were three days making the trip to Chefoo, as we encountered one of the worst storms of the season; but at last we arrived, and our vessel had hardly anchored when Mr. Goforth and Mr. Paton were on board to welcome us to our new home.

Chefoo is beautifully situated on the Bay of Pechili, just around the Shan-Keng promontory, and is considered one of the healthiest places in China. There are a number of Europeans here, and it is also the resort for many more during the summer months. It is also a centre for missions, the China Inland having a large station here, and the work of Dr. Corbett and Dr. Nevius, of the American Presbyterian Board, is a grand one.

Last Sabbath we attended Chinese service, and there saw a chapel, about as large as the lecture-room in St. James' Square Church, well filled with native Christians. Baby Goforth was baptized at that service, and Communion was dispensed to a large number of members. Dr. Corbett and Dr. Nevius have been here about thirty years, and have accomplished a wonderful work during that time.

Dr. Smith and Mr. Goforth came back with very hopeful news of being able to settle inland at no very distant day. So I am in hopes the day is not far off when I shall be able to date my letters from the Canadian Presbyterian Hospital, Honan, North China. Asking that the friends at home will make this a subject of earnest and special prayer.