

they try to make them as handsome as possible by means of painted lips and powdered faces.

These girls are very affectionate, and it is a joy to be among them. Some are as bright as any we ever saw at home.

Yes, your particular work will develop. But God will not make it develop any faster than you have agents in the field to look after it. There is plenty of work to be done, but it is waiting, not developing, unless on the side of Satan. He is gaining ground continually. Still it seems to be a wonderful springtime of seed-sowing just now. Two of the C.I.M. ladies took tea with us last evening. They say that they notice such a change in the attitude of the women who came to call on them this New Year. They were so anxious to hear the words of life. After listening a long time, they would ask to know what the books say—not as on former occasions, to look and ask questions about us and our country.

As to the country being in an unsettled state, when once into Sz Chuen province, we feel free. The ladies of the C.I.M. and C.M.S. societies travel about as freely and easily as the men, and are winning their way into the hearts of the people. Why not the ladies of the W.M.S.?

The houses are very cold, nor do the natives have a fire (except in the far north), but make up for it by means of a wadded garment, or fur if they can afford it. They wear so much that little children look like young barrels, and when they tumble down, sometimes cannot get up alone. In the spring they begin to peel off till when summer comes little but skin at times is visible.

INDIAN WORK.

From Mrs. Redner.

PORT SIMPSON, July 6, 1894.

In reviewing events of the last three months, the District meeting stands out as one to create the greatest stir among us. We felt greatly blessed as we listened to the many earnest exhortations and sermons given in English; and as