

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

(Condensed.)

At the regular meetings of the Executive, letters and reports from all the mission fields were read, and a general oversight taken of the needs of the various missions.

CHINA.

In January, Dr. Maud Killam, of Yarmouth, N.S., was accepted and appointed to go to China as a medical missionary. She and Miss Lottie Brooks, of Hastings, Ont., who had been appointed to China at the last Board meeting, sailed for that country on the 13th of February.

They were fortunate in having the company of Dr. Hart, Superintendent of the missions of the General Society in China, who, with his family, was returning to his field of labor after a furlough.

An extra appropriation of \$400.00 was made to put the Chentu hospital in thorough working order.

It was decided that all business of the Woman's Missionary Society should be conducted on the premises of the Society.

Dr. Retta Kilborn had been attending the hospital and dispensary of the Woman's Missionary Society, but owing to the new hospital being a considerable distance from the premises of the General Society, where her home is, she found it inconvenient to give the necessary time and tendered her resignation. She was requested to defer it until the Board meeting, and in the meantime to give Dr. Maud Killam the benefit of her valuable assistance and advice, which she kindly consented to do.

The fate of female infants, who are sometimes thrown in the gutter to die, appealed strongly to the sympathy of our missionaries, and though no provision has been made by the Society for their support, two of them were rescued and cared for by our ladies there, with the hope of being able to train them as Christian workers among their own people. Dr. and Mrs. Kilborn volunteered to be responsible for one of them until it is sixteen years of age; Miss Ford adopted the other, and before her death, made provision for its support. On May 19th, the cablegram reached us with the sad news of her death.

It was decided that the salaries of missionaries should commence after reaching their final destination, the Society to be responsible for travelling and incidental expenses until that time.

Funds for China are to be sent by drafts on Hankow.