

Miss Foster, our latest missionary to China, writes from Ichang, Nov. 2nd, 1896 :

The Lord has richly blessed us with travelling mercies thus far, and we are trusting Him to go with us all the way.

We spent three weeks in Shanghai, making purchases for the trip. We will take a houseboat from Ichang, and hope that Mr. Hartwell will have all arrangements made, so that we can continue our journey in a day or so.

I have taken a few lessons in Chinese, and expect to study on the houseboat. Mr. Hartwell thinks we shall not be able to reach Chen-tu before the first of January.

So far I have had excellent health, and "am kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation."

CHINESE WORK.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Some time since Miss Morgan wrote :

The work I love already, although it is scarcely begun. Oh ! I feel as if I must "shake up" Chinatown. Now, does that sound conceited ? I don't think I can do it, but I long to. I have already visited enough among the people there to realize in a degree what work there is to be done. How it is to be accomplished is another question. Prayer is a powerful weapon, and faith is another. It is our privilege as workers to use both, and will not God honor them ? I want each day to live so near the Father that He will guide my every thought and action, and lead me as He sees best. It is glorious to be back in the work again.

Oct. 16th.—If more girls do not enter the Home the work in the future will be almost entirely evangelistic, unless we can start a school among the children of Chinatown. I have already spoken of that to some of the Chinese merchants. Most of the little boys go to the public school, and as yet the mothers do not see the necessity of educating their little daughters.

I hope something can be done after a while, but one has to work slowly and patiently.