

May 23rd.—Just a line before I close to tell you that the revival meetings are ever increasing in interest, and a grand work has already been done in stirring up the Christians as well as bringing in many new ones. About six hundred conversions are reported from the two weeks' meetings held in the Ginza churches. We are to have a week of similar meetings in our church here, commencing on the 3rd of June, and are praying and looking for a similar blessing though our numbers may be necessarily fewer. There have not been such wonderful meetings known in the history of Christianity in this land, it is said. Perhaps because the forty years of seed-sowing was necessary first. Who can say?

China.

From Miss Brackbill, Chungking, May 6th, 1901.

WE arrived here the day before yesterday and found it very hot. The Consul has refused to allow ladies to go in from here, so I am afraid we will be obliged to remain for a time, and therefore have moved our boxes off the boat to-day. Will see the Consul in a day or two and write you again. We are very comfortable here with the ladies of the American W.F.M.S.

Later—May 13th.

I have again had an interview with the Consul, and he is not willing that any ladies—married or unmarried—should go on to Chentu at present; not because of any local reasons as everything is perfectly quiet, but the court has not moved to Peking yet as expected, and therefore he wants us to remain here for a time.

As we intended to come up in two boats from Tchang, I got my passport in Hankow, and the Consul here will not grant them to the other ladies at present. I asked him if I could not go on alone to Chentu to oversee matters, as it seemed to me that some one was needed there, from what I heard regarding the children. He said it would be quite an expense to go up and back, and wanted to know if some one else could not see after them, but if I really thought it was necessary he would talk to me about it.

Bishop Cassells went overland from Nansien to Pao-ning and took two or three ladies with him, and the Consul told me he had since sent these two ladies their passports, but they were the only ones he had granted to ladies.

One other gentleman took his wife with him and he—the Consul—was not pleased about it. Dr. Kilborn has gone on to Chentu and Mrs. Kilborn is living in one of the houses of the London Mission, and Dr. Henry is staying with her. The rest of us, Miss Brimstin, Miss Forrest and myself, are at the Deaconess Home of the American W.F.M.S. If we only had our work here we would be satisfied. I have promised to teach two or three classes a day in the boarding school of the mission; Miss Brimstin is also helping with some of the old women and going to try a class in kindergarten.

Dr. and Mrs. Ewan are anxious to go on. Dr. and Mrs. Smith are expected here the last of this month, and we are disappointed to hear that Miss Laing is not with them.

One of the C.I.M. gentlemen left Shanghai for Chentu early last winter, and I asked him to look after our place and let me know how matters were. I found a letter from him on my arrival here, and he says everything is as it was left, only everything looks neglected.

The girl Miss Brooks was supporting and two of the orphans have died.

The family of the teacher who died in Japan has made no trouble whatever as yet, for which we are very thankful.

I was called away from my writing to see a woman who owned a boat, and was anxious to take us up the river. I am so sorry we could not engage it, as she has taken foreigners up several times and they have always been pleased with her.

Just then I was called down to the gate, and was so pleased to find that the two teachers had come up from

Chentu. We had written for them before leaving Shanghai. We can now all begin studying and have our time fully occupied.

Just this moment a notice has come from the British Consul saying that passports granted gentlemen do not include wife and family, and no ladies—married or unmarried—are allowed to go into the interior at present.

He told me the other day he had hoped in March that ere this we could go, and he would let us know as soon as it was at all admissible, and he hoped it would not be very long.

We found on our arrival here that nearly all our stores were wet, and a large box of Miss Forrest's as well. She has the heaviest loss, as nearly all her books are ruined. By attending to the stores at once we have lost very little of them.

Indian Work.

THE following resolution from the minutes of the Crosby Girls' Home Advisory Committee has been forwarded and is very cheerfully published.

Moved by Dr. Bolton, seconded by Mr. Richards, and resolved, That whereas Miss H. M. Paul, after a period of six years service, is about to depart on furlough, this committee express its appreciation of her devoted and successful labors as teacher, evidenced in the high grade of efficiency to which the school has developed under her tuition, also of the wisdom, kindness, patience and endurance which go to make up her sterling character, virtues which have been severely tested in periods of sickness, overwork and worry through which the Institution has passed. Whilst the pupils who have first and always engaged her attention, and the staff to whom she has especially endeared herself, will miss her most, yet every evangelical meeting, every council of missionaries, and every social gathering will lack her inspiring testimony, her sound advice, and her genial influence.

We trust that the prescribed rest of her well-earned furlough will be thoroughly enjoyed, and leave her fully invigorated for another term of useful service in this or some other part of the Master's vineyard.

S. S. OSTERHOUT, *Chairman.*

A. E. BOLTON, *Secretary.*

Passed at a meeting held on the 15th of February, 1901.

*From Miss Lavinia Clarke, Port Simpson, B.C.,
May 27th, 1901.*

The steamer arrived two days ahead of the usual time and has set our plans at naught, and sent Miss Carroll and Miss Kissack into a panic of trunk packing, and the house into excitement generally.

We hoped Miss Stevenson would arrive by this boat, but evidently she has failed to make connections. However, there is an almost absolute certainty of her arrival next week.

Miss Carroll came from Metlakahltla last week and is getting well into the ways of the house. I am confident I shall find in her one to share responsibility and bear burdens.

We shall part with Miss Ida Carroll with feelings of regret, and shall be sorry to see Miss Kissack go to her hospital work at Bella Bella, even though we look forward with pleasure to the prospect before us with Miss Theresa Carroll and Miss Stevenson as associates.

Later.—Miss Stevenson arrived at Port Simpson, June 4th.

From Miss Kissack, Port Simpson, April 10th.

At last I am at my journey's end and it rains in torrents, which I am told is characteristic of this part of the world. I have not been sick or tired at all, and have enjoyed the