

Foreign Missions.

Contributions.

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Children's Work.

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DEAR CHILDREN.—I do not intend to write more to you this time than to advise you all to read very carefully the papers on "Japanese Children," which Mr. Ohno is giving us now.

DEAR MRS. LEILAND.—Three months have again rolled away since you heard from us. We are holding meetings regularly the first and third Fridays in each month.

I received a very nice map of China from a member of the Guelph band.

The Japanese Santa Claus.

PART II.

Hoti, God of Contentment, is a kind of vagrant who has no fixed house. He is always moving and sometimes riding on an animal; when he wants to sleep he goes to the mountain side or a hill.

Hoti told this story with the smiling face and droll manner peculiar to him. When he goes out he wears a large garment and carries a pretty paper fan.

beard hangs to the ground. When he is taking his walk he always has his cane, and sometimes stands on the road as if he were lost in thought.

Monzu, Goddess of Knowledge, is a favorite of the Japanese children. She is accompanied always by young deca. She has a mysterious power to give a good memory to children who earnestly ask her blessing upon them.

Benten, Goddess of Love, is the highest type of womanly beauty and the model of a good mother. She is goddess of betrothal, of the family, and of harmony.

Touno, God of Glory, is just and diligent. He has wonderful ears, which hear voices a thousand miles away, and also has a miraculous eye, which can see through mountains, land and seas.

These seven gods in company will travel from house to house on the New Year's Day. When the end of the year approaches every body is very busy cleaning the house and setting up an altar where the visitors can stay.

Holding the Pass.

Now although there is no war in our dear country just at present, and though small boys cannot go to fight in the United States army in time of war, there is real soldiering to be carried on all the time.

One day Leonidas was training his soldiers; this time three little dogs that he had coaxed home with him—a terrier, a pug and a mongrel.

The General threw himself flat upon the floor and sat his heroic heels flying. Some very naughty words came out of his mouth—words that surprised and grieved his mother.

"I mean that you have not kept the pass like the Greek hero."

"How, mamma?" he questioned. "Why, my little soldier? Why, you gave way without striking a blow, and let the enemy come rushing in."

"What enemy?" "Anger, rude words, disobedience, bad manners. These are some of the enemies you have to fight in peaceful times," said mamma.

"What task?" asked the boy soldier, lifting his moist blue eyes. "The task of conquering your faults; of keeping out mean, cowardly, ungrateful feelings; of holding the pass against words that are wrong and foolish."

Married.

KERR-OUGH.—On the 11th ult., by C. Sinclair, at the residence of the bride's father, Angus Kerr, Esq., to Miss Minnie Ough, all of Collingwood.

Obituaries.

SLEKIRK.—Died on Wednesday, March 11, Sister Caroline, beloved wife of Dr. J. Fry, and daughter of the late A. Overholt, aged 54 years.

She was an earnest Christian woman for nearly 40 years, and lived to see her two sons and two daughters brought into the church.

Bro. Campbell of Aylmer, who was holding meetings in Georgetown, was called to preach the funeral sermon. May the Lord comfort and strengthen Bro. Fry and family in their sorrow.

B. CULP

Stillman Argyle Groat, formerly of Canada, died of typhoid fever, on Nov. 15th, at Cotner University, Lincoln, Nebraska, aged 23. He was well known in London and Toronto, and while living in the latter place was immersed by Bro. Robert Beaty.

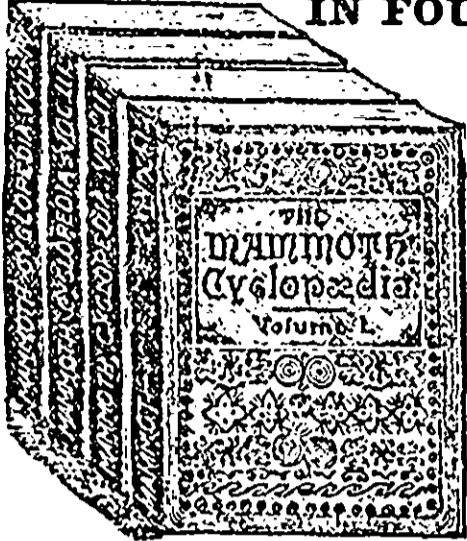
The funeral services took place in the University chapel, Tuesday, Nov. 18th, 1890. Scriptural selections were read by Chas. B. Newman, pastor of the First Christian church in that city.

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