

### Language School at Chengtu.

For new missionaries we have now the Chengtu Language School.

The Council of February, 1909, ordered the establishment of a language school in Chengtu. Consequently, all but two families of the reinforcements who arrived there about that time were stationed this year at Chengtu, in order that they might attend the language school. For an hour and a half to two hours each afternoon these new missionaries, men and women, meet together in a room for the study of the language. They are guided and helped in this study by one of our senior missionaries, Mr. Endicott. During the remaining hours of the day each missionary is hard at work in his or her own home, with the aid of a Chinese teacher. It is agreed that many advantages will result from this



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arrangement. Missionaries have all the advantage of the stimulus resulting from work together. They have the very great advantage of help by a foreigner, something that none of our missionaries had in former years. We believe that they will make more progress in one year in the language school in Chengtu than they would have done in twice the time working by themselves. At the end of twelve months in Chengtu, that party of missionaries will be distributed among our eight stations, and about March, 1910, the reinforcements leaving Canada in October, 1909, will have reached Chengtu, and will be in turn appointed to enter the language school for one year.