

years ago. You will have heard ere this of the tidal wave, another of the calamities which, whether fire, flood, famine, earthquake, disease or volcanic eruption, seem to follow each other here in very rapid succession. Of course such things arise from what are called "natural causes;" but these natural causes seem to be very potent instruments in God's hands to work His wrath upon this stiff-necked people.

Bishop Bickersteth, of Japan, writes highly recommending the Thankoffering of the last Tri-ennial being spent on the purchase of some land on which, ultimately, to build our W. A. Hospital at Nagano. Rev. J. Waller has made the necessary arrangements with the native christians, for no foreigner is allowed to buy land in his own name, and we trust soon to hear of the dispensary being in full working order. The usefulness of Miss Smith and her nurses is illustrated in Mr. Waller's letter above. Let us pray that this terrible fever may open the way to their showing many souls where to find the true Healer, who is so ready and loving in His dealing with all afflicted ones.

The Secretary of the Synod of the Diocese of Saskatchewan, sends the following to the Corresponding Secretary of the Provincial W. A.: At the last meeting of our Diocesan Synod, held at Prince Albert, on the 17th of June, a resolution was passed tendering the thanks of the Synod to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of England in Canada, for the valuable assistance rendered by the W. A. to the Church's work among the Indians in this Diocese, a copy of which resolution I now enclose. Resolution—On motion of the Ven. Archdeacon Mackay, seconded by Rev. J. F. D. Parker, it was resolved—"That the Synod of the Diocese of Saskatchewan, tender its warmest thanks to those Societies, Associations, Woman's Auxiliaries or individual friends in England and Canada who have, by their liberality, rendered valuable assistance to the Church's work among the Indians in this Diocese."

REV. J. MATHESON'S LETTER.—(Continued from July Number).

Travelling all day, next visiting from house to house doctoring and distributing clothes, or food, or quilts and talk. It was very late Tuesday night when I got to bed. The road is a narrow little Indian trail, but well beaten, and through heavy woods most of the way; after prayers next morning, start for home; glad to get home about dark all well and happy. No less than three messages from Moose Lake, 75 miles west, must start there early Thursday morning. Busy half day Thursday getting ready to leave and fixing up things in general, as I will be away 7 days this time. Sleep at Frog Lake station Thursday night, one woman very ill, visiting and prayer that night. Next morning, Friday, away 12 miles north to visit some families, prayers, reading and exhortation and travelling all day. Sleep in same place as night before, and leave for Moose early Saturday morning. Travelled hard all day, over 50 miles Sunday morning, in fact, all day Sunday, house to house visiting and speaking, reading, doctoring and prayers. Start back on Monday, visiting and speaking and services and baptism that day. Tuesday travelling all day and reach Frog Lake. Sick woman, very bad, more doctoring, and reading