

the salary of Miss Abbie G. Chapin, of Tung-cho, China.

—A "Sunshine Committee" in an Australian Society bought an invalid's chair, which it loans to the sick. It was first used by an old gentleman who had not been out for six years.

—"Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love." The Endeavor Society in Dr. Stalker's church, Glasgow, has taken these words from Miss Havergal's consecration hymn, as its motto.

—Rev. J. P. Jones, of Pasumalai, South India, has established, among the village congregations under his care, 11 Endeavor societies, all flourishing and doing good. "One of the chief features of each society," says Mr. Jones, "is that all the members go out every week to preach the Gospel to the heathen; and they do it with enthusiasm, too. And yet most of them are recently out of heathenism themselves. Not one half of them can read, and not one half of them earn, on an average, more than 5 cents a day."

—There are now 217 societies, with a total membership of 7806, in the German Reformed Church. They are attempting to raise annually \$1500, which shall be known as the Christian Endeavor Foreign Missionary Fund. Of this amount for the first year \$800 has already been pledged.

—In Kansas City one society has 15 members pledged to give to the Lord one tenth of all their earnings, and in Marshfield Hills, Mass., the members began betimes to prepare for Easter by securing each a plant to be cared for until that day, and then the whole number to be distributed among the sick and poor.

—"What shall we tell our boys to do for missions?" was the weighty question propounded to a large company of Episcopal women recently. And with "our girls" added, it is one which the churches should by all means endeavor to answer quickly and wisely.

—In Alaska a boy under conviction woke and prayed at midnight. The next morning he told his teacher that he was "*the sinnerest boy in school.*"

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—The *Church at Home and Abroad* estimates that between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 are expended annually in this country for church edifices, and that "every day in the year more than 12 new churches are completed and dedicated to the worship of the Triune God."

—If this is so, and the statement is well vouched for, it is high time a few live home missionaries were dispatched thither. In a certain county of Missouri "there are people in plenty, and they have many churches, such as they are, 23 of one kind, not one of which has a pastor. They are supplied by 6 men who all work at their trades during the week, and preach at 5 or 6 different places on Sunday. They are paid no salaries [serves 'em right], and spend most of the time in the pulpit fighting the beliefs of other denominations." Ergo, "*the type of piety is not high.*"

—But the real Gospel is possessed of matchless power to elevate and ennoble. Thus fifty years ago Five Points, in New York City, was one of the very worst of nests for vice, disorder, and crime. The police of that day found their power tested to the utmost in the endeavor to restrain outbreaks of wickedness. Yet in the course of years an entire transformation has been wrought, and the precinct is now as peaceful and orderly as any part of New York. This result is owing not to the strong arm of the law or the efficiency of the police, but to the introduction and maintenance of practical Christianity.

—What a marvel of growth! Oklahoma, only a babe of one year, has a population of about 150,000, and a property valuation of about \$17,000,000. The capital city, Guthrie, claims a population of 10,000. Oklahoma City