

know the true meaning of Christianity. God knows these difficulties, and He retained a company of learned men to be united against Christianity, and produced two converts from the same company. Moreover, He made other two men earnest students of the Bible from the same company. Beside the converts, there are many who well understand the goodness of the Christian religion, and take its teachings into daily practice, though they hold in public hypocritic, heathen-like behaviour, afraid of their belonging to that company. If we consider these mercies of our Lord, we shall have a great hope for the future.

The lecture, which was delivered on the third and fourth of March, gave a good influence to the people, especially to the higher class. From that time a spirit was aroused to examine the Way, and some of them came to ask questions about Christianity. It is said that some difficulty and quarrel arose between Roman Catholic believers, and those who have good influence among Romanists come often to our meetings to read the Bible, others come to argue with us. These are two or three of the lecture results.

This is the present state of our Church, and I think this place is worthy to put a great hope for the future. YUKI MUNIZO.

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Though I cannot report as much numerical increase as I could desire, yet I am very thankful to say that the spiritual state of this circuit is very satisfactory. All the means of grace have been well attended. The Sabbath-schools are becoming very interesting and increasing.

Notwithstanding general commercial detriment, financially the members did well, although the missionary contributions are smaller than the last year, because they subscribed more than one hundred yen towards the building of Kofu church at the same time.

The members are not only working out their own salvation with fear and trembling, and striving to love and edify each other, but also are in earnest to save others. They dedicate every Sunday afternoon specially to the work. One time I could know that more than fifty sinners, at their own houses, heard glad tidings from them at the same time.

The young women formed themselves into a Young Women's Christian Association in Kofu church, for the purpose of studying the Word of God, promoting their own spiritual and moral culture, and diffusing the knowledge and salvation of our Lord among their sex.

The Young Men's Christian Association, which was previously formed, is also very prosperous. Their Bible-class is very interesting, and their conversations are not resting in the letter only, but paying good attention deep into the Spirit.

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