

Well, just a week ago to-day, we moved into the new dispensary, with hearts filled with thankfulness to the Giver of all good and the friends of Crescent Street Church. It was not, however, without a certain feeling of sadness that we turned our back on the old damp, musty, dingy place, which had been the scene of much of our work during all the years we have been in Chuwang. Now we have a board floor, nicely oiled too, in our dispensary and operating room. A special operating room, with large windows, is a new luxury in Honan.

The chapel adjoining is also an immense improvement on the old place; it is light and airy, with glass windows and blinds. A door opens from it through a partition wall into the dispensing room.

We will still have enough money on hand to build several wards, I think, although I have not yet footed up the total cost of chapel and dispensary. Our old contractor was around yesterday talking about wards—the buildings I always let out by contract. This man puts up two rooms that will accomodate about six men each for about \$10, bed, too, included. This last is a raised platform of brick.

It was exactly one year (June 6th) from the time we moved over to our new home till we moved into the new hospital.

I've reckoned the cost of the house so far at \$845, but there are yet water spouts to put up and servants' quarters, and there ought to be a cistern, so that with these the cost will be very nearly \$1,000.

Lately the patients have been somewhat fewer on account of wheat harvest, but a few severe cases have staid with us all along. Now that the wheat harvest is over they (patients) are beginning to increase.

I enclose a copy of the "Occasional," edited by Dr. P. C. Leslie, giving an account of the opening of the chapel in connection with the dispensary, and I can only add that the day was an enjoyable and profitable one for all, I think. Next morning the Chinese Christians attending the opening brought in the enclosed document, of which I will give you a free translation.

*"Greetings to the Canadian Church :*

"We need not indulge in empty phrases. Although we have never seen your faces we know the breadth of your love, for when Mr. McGillivray was in Canada on furlough he spoke of the Chuwang chapel and dispensary as being in a dilapidated state, and all the brethren contributed money to build a new one. These buildings are now complete, and we beg you not to be anxious about us any longer. We thank you, and hope that God will give you grace more abundant. Only we would that you would send more labourers to China. As Paul says: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' We extend to you our respectful salutations, wishing you peace.

"FROM THE CHUWANG CHURCH MEMBERS OF HONAN."

A little company of Christians, about ten miles from here, built a church nearly all themselves this year, for which we are very glad, as evidence of their sincerity and of their independence of the foreigners; we helped them to about